

**SEPTEMBER 16 – MEETING 38
VOLUME 27**

The Ross County Board of Commissioners met on this day, September 16, 2024, in regular session.

Commissioner James E. Lowe called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., with Commissioners James E. Lowe and Jack A. Everson, in attendance and Dwight A. Garrett, absent.

Commissioner Lowe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES APPROVED

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, the minutes of the September 9, 2024, meeting be approved as submitted.

BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, the following bills of the county be approved for payment:

DEPARTMENT	PAY TO NAME	TOTAL VALUE			
Adult Probation	ALLIED UNIVERSAL ELECTRONIC MC	566.06	Coroner	Haller Funeral Home, LLC	390
Adult Probation	American Electric Power	130	Coroner	Lexis-Nexis Risk Data Management	105
Adult Probation	Treasurer, State of Ohio	871.5	Coroner	Thomas, Jodi L.	140
Adult Probation	CASEY OATES	47.5	Coroner	MARK A GRAY	19
Adult Probation	Intrinsic Interventions, Inc	5000	Coroner	Central Center, LLC	647.2
Adult Probation	Verizon Wireless	88.49	Coroner	Amazon Capital Services	432.17
Auditor	Treasurer, State of Ohio	377.2	Dog Warden	Pam Longlott	382.76
Auditor	SSI MIX	325	Dog Warden	Printex Printing	100
Auditor	Printex Printing	2050	Dog Warden	Covetrus North America	178.44
Auditor	Clark, John K. Jr.	187.5	Dog Warden	Glo Fiber	131.06
Auditor	Rich & Gillis Law Group LLC	120	Dog Warden	Covetrus North America	67.08
Auditor	Rutherford, Chase Colin	570	Dog Warden	All Signs of Chillicothe Inc	100
Auditor	Glo Fiber	3038.9	Emergency Management	Glo Fiber	147.05
Auditor	Ross Co. Water Company	117.94	Emergency Management	Gordon Flesch Co., Inc.	130.72
Auditor	Glacier Mountain Bottled Water	42.5	Engineer	Adena Health System	178
Auditor	Wex Bank	118.4	Engineer	Cintas Corporation # 530	407.22
Automatic Data Processing Board	Amazon Capital Services	36.58	Engineer	Diamond Mowers, Inc	176.69
Automatic Data Processing Board	Gordon Flesch Co., Inc.	198.35	Engineer	Lightle Enterprises of Ohio LLC	1593.9
Automatic Data Processing Board	Gordon Flesch Co, Inc.	292.48	Engineer	M&M Fabrication	1160
Board of Elections	Doug Corcoran	64	Engineer	Ohio AFSCME Care Plan	472.5
Board of Elections	Triad Governmental System	5675	Engineer	Resource International, Inc.	1300
Building Department	Amazon Capital Services	55	Engineer	Scioto Shoe Mart	157.48
Building Department	Glacier Mountain Bottled Water	15	Engineer	Tow Path Materials	310.8
Commissioners	CORSA	2500	Engineer	US Safety Gear, Inc.	240.8
Commissioners	Master Locksmith and Safe Service,	435	Engineer	G & J Paving	65857.38
Commissioners	Lowe's	122.13	Engineer	Office Depot Inc.	121.97
Commissioners	Lowe's	422.13	Jury Commission	Lighthouse Youth Services	2916.67
Commissioners	Lowe's	28.46	Juvenile Court	Lighthouse Youth Services	5482.95
Commissioners	Lowe's	577.62	Juvenile Court	Lighthouse Youth Services	5416.67
Commissioners	Central Center Hardware	319.15	Juvenile Court	King, Kristen	1410
Commissioners	American Electric Power	8190.11	Juvenile Court	Abraxas Ohio	7750
Commissioners	Chillicothe Utilities Dept.	734.94	Juvenile Court	Amazon Capital Services	25.59
Commissioners	Andy Wettersten	321.74	Juvenile Court	Ohio Casa/Gal Association	1050
Commissioners	Detillion Landscape Materials LLC	113.85	Juvenile Court	Ohio Casa/Gal Association	300
Commissioners	Sherwin Williams Company	11.09	Juvenile Court	Amazon Capital Services	78.65
Commissioners	Thomas Gas Services, Inc.	7.35	Juvenile Court	Verizon Wireless	539.19
Commissioners	DTB Distributors, Inc.	254.62	Juvenile Court	US Safety Gear, Inc.	11.95
Commissioners	Bricker Graydon LLP	2875	Juvenile Court	Quill Corporation	34.99
Commissioners	State Electric Supply, Inc.	24	Litter Control	Ohio Regional Development Corp	2000
Commissioners	Sherwin Williams Company	82.28	Planning Commission	Ross County Treasurer	8000
Commissioners	Grigsby Environmental Consulting S	1600	Planning Commission	Bricker Graydon LLP	2320
Commissioners	Worly Plumbing Supply, Inc.	114.19	Planning Commission	JOHN W HEMMINGS III	15386.16
Commissioners	Schooley Caldwell Associates Inc	27187.5	Planning Commission	Ohio Conference of Community De	300
Commissioners	LLW Holdings LLC	1275.5	Planning Commission	Amazon Capital Services	37.47
Common Pleas Court #1	Rafael Montanez	307.92	Planning Commission	Bricker Graydon LLP	70231.25
Common Pleas Court #1	John T Wallace	43.68	Planning Commission	Ohio Regional Development Corp	5000
Probate Court	Amazon Capital Services	200.73	Planning Commission	Ross County Treasurer	29605.97
Probate Court	Cutright, James K.	200	Sheriff	Glo Fiber	54.74
Ross County Court System	GFC Leasing	389.48	Sheriff	Glo Fiber	511
Ross County Court System	Westside Media	86.25	Sheriff	Glo Fiber	155
Ross County Court System	Glo Fiber	1426.36	Sheriff	Southern Ohio Shredding LLC	165.62
Sheriff	Cardio Partners Inc	532.95	Sheriff	Modern Office Methods, Inc.	268.75
Sheriff	Adena Health System	1564.4	Sheriff	Modern Office Methods, Inc.	107.5
Sheriff	Columbus Radiology Corp.	631.7	Sheriff	Modern Office Methods, Inc.	215
Sheriff	Bob Barker Company	3827.78	Sheriff	Modern Office Methods, Inc.	53.75
Sheriff	Adena Health System	48	Sheriff	Red Diamond Uniform & Police Sup	536.91
Sheriff	Fayette County Commissioners	2362.86	Sheriff	Herrnstein Chrysler-Plymouth	74.8
Sheriff	Aramark Services, Inc	16426.08	Sheriff	Davis Tire of Chillicothe	100
Sheriff	Office City Express	110.96	Sheriff	Cooper Glass Service	642.18
Sheriff	Office City Express	73.01	Sheriff	Sparkle Cleaners	132.2
Sheriff	Office City Express	10.65	Sheriff	Penwell, Julia	1242.38
Sheriff	Office City Express	441.94	Sheriff	Ross County Engineer	195.09
Sheriff	MOBILEXUSA	800	Sheriff	VISA	220.49
Sheriff	Emergency Professional Services, In	188.46	Sheriff	VISA	220.48
Sheriff	Adena Medical Group, LLC	7.9	Sheriff	VISA	223.36
Sheriff	James Eliason	20	Treasurer	AMY GLANDON	127
Sheriff	Cognitians	1447.87	Treasurer	Smartbill Ltd	2442.48
Sheriff	Amazon Capital Services	338.3	Veterans Service Commission	Cross Country Mortgage	800
Sheriff	DTB Distributors, Inc.	498.29	Veterans Service Commission	Amazon Capital Services	459.92
Sheriff	DTB Distributors, Inc.	1118.14	Veterans Service Commission	Richard Manson	481.25
Sheriff	DTB Distributors, Inc.	77.51	Veterans Service Commission	Sewards, Randy A.	316.25
Sheriff	Premier Health Care Services, Inc.	43224.18	Veterans Service Commission	Robert Davis	226.87
Sheriff	C & D Monitoring LLC	104.85	Veterans Service Commission	Holdren, Greg	61.87
Sheriff	Allen's Pharmacy	1642.65	Veterans Service Commission	Stephen M . Deffenbaugh	226.87
Sheriff	Rumpke Of Ohio, Inc	71.51	Veterans Service Commission	Ed Secrest	288.75
Sheriff	Treasurer - State of Ohio	5141.5	Veterans Service Commission	Chillicothe Paints	2500
Sheriff	FisheI, Downey, Albrecht & Riepen	315	VOCA	T-Mobile USA Inc	27.71
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\$414,532.86

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, absent. Motion carried.

THEN & NOW CERTIFICATES APPROVED

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners approve "Then & Now" Certificates, dated September 2 through September 16, 2024, in the amount of \$2,309.81 prepared by the Office of the Ross County Auditor and certified by the auditor as to the appropriation of funds for the purpose of encumbering the sum of the contract(s) or order(s) outlined therein, or the imminent collection of funds for credit to the appropriated fund(s) of the county, and as to the availability of funds for transfer within the appropriate department(s).

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, absent. Motion carried.

APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, to appropriate \$553.00 from General fund into account code 100-21-00-7103 Contract Services, per a request of September 16, 2024, from the Ross County Coroner.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Garrett, absent. Motion carried.

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to appropriate \$6,000.00 from General fund into account code 100-11-02-7117 Attorney Fees – Common Please, per a request, of September 16, 2024 from the Ross County Auditor.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, absent. Motion carried

ASSET DISPOSAL

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners approve an Asset Disposal form submitted by the Ross County Probate Court for disposal of the following surplus property of the county as indicated:

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	TAG/ SERIAL	METHOD OF DISPOSAL
2	Monitors	cnk7091p5c, cnk7091p6c	Transfer to Sheriff GED Program
2	Computers	vs201702080, vs201702085	Transfer to Sheriff GED Program

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, absent. Motion carried.

COUNTY AUDITOR AUTHORIZED TO DESIGNATE AGENTS & SECURE BONDING FOR SAME - SALE OF 2025 DOG & KENNEL REGISTRATIONS

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, that the Ross County Auditor be authorized to contract with various agents in the county for the sale of 2025 Dog & Kennel registrations, with the agents and sales locations to be determined by the auditor, and; further, that the county hereby agrees to self-insure bonding for the agents for the reasons that the risk is considered minimal, at the county’s expense, as deems necessary.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Garrett, absent. Motion carried.

PROPOSAL AND AGREEMENT FOR ARCHITECTURAL & ENGINEERING SERVICES PUBLIC AREA RENOVATIONS ROSS COUNTY SERVICE CENTER

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, to enter into an agreement with JCKL Architects to renovate the finished flooring and wall finishes in the existing public area corridors, meeting rooms, shared public rooms, and restrooms. Provide new room signage. Update the existing restrooms and countertops to meet current ADA accessibility requirements. Provide new porcelain tile from the floor to ceiling in the restrooms. Install new sliding wall panel partitions dividing the four meeting rooms at a cost of \$7,750.00.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Garrett, absent. Motion carried.

STORM WATER DISTRICTS ASSESSMENT

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners do not wish to increase or decrease any of the assessments that have been calculated for the following storm water districts, and this letter serves as notification to your office that no action was taken on these districts:

Northview Estates	Sherman Heights	Teays Valley Estates PH. 1	Teays Valley Estates PH. 2
Teays Valley Estates PH. 3	Willow Creek	Slate Creek Cove	Creek View
Golf View Block D & E	Clayton Mills - Sub District	Clayton Mills- Sub District	Raygans Meadow
Cross Creek	Arrow Wood	Autum Woods	

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, absent. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT PLEASANT VALLEY REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to appoint Sam Dennis to the Pleasant Valley Regional Sewer District Board of Directors as representative for Twin Township, for a three year term, effective November 31, 2024.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Garrett, absent. Motion carried.

CONTRACT LEASE AGREEMENT UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to continue the lease for office space with the United States Department of Agriculture effective January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2029 for an annual rent of \$67,433.70 payable at a rate of \$5,619.48 per month.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, absent. Motion carried.

APPALACHIAN COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM CONTRACTS BETWEEN OWNER AND HARDLINES DESIGN COMPANY

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, Mr. Lowe be authorized to sign on the Commissioners behalf, ACGP contracts between the Ross County Board of Commissioners and the project architect Hardlines Design Company, for the project Mount Zion Black Cultural Center at a total cost of \$7,525,576.00. This agreement represents the entire and integrated agreement between the Owner and the Architect and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations or agreements, either written or oral. This Agreement may be amended only by written instrument signed by both the Owner and Architect.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Garrett, absent. Motion carried.

APPALACHIAN COMMUNITY GRANT AGREEMENTS BETWEEN OWNER AND GRANTEEES

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to authorize Commissioner Lowe, to sign on the Commissioners behalf, the following agreements by and between the Ross County Board of Commissioners and the City of Logan for the purpose of City of Logan Downtown Gateway Main Street Streetscape and Market District at a total cost not to exceed \$\$14,328,481.00, the Ohio History Connection for the Serpent Mound Observation Tower at a total cost not to exceed \$862,000.00, the Ohio History Connections for the purpose of US Grant Boyhood Home and School Improvements at a total cost not to exceed \$1,263,340.00, the Jackson County Economic Development Partnership for the purpose of Wellston Medical Office Building at a total cost not to exceed \$1,664,578.00 and the Village of Lynchburg for the purpose of Lynchburg Downtown Park at a total cost not to exceed \$1,001,390.00.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, absent. Motion carried.

BID OPENING WPCLF 2024 BATCH 2

Bids were opened as advertised at 11:00am in the Commissioner's office. Only one bid was received, Duncan & Daniels Enterprises, Inc., for repair or replacement of three home sewage disposal systems for a cost of \$28,438.00. The bid will be given to the Health District for review and to award the contract.

ROSS COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT MOBILE UNIT

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to approve the request to park the Ross County Health District Mobile Unit on the sidewalk in front of the Ross County Courthouse on October 2, 2024, between the hours of 10:00am and 3:00pm., to provide seasonal flu vaccinations for county and city employees. Community members will also be welcome.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, absent. Motion carried.

APPLICATION FOR APPROPRIATION TO ATTEND MEETING CONVENTION

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to approve the request from Recorder Kathy Dunn, to attend the ORA Fall Continuing Education meeting at Embassy Suites, Columbus Ohio, September 9, 2024 for approximately \$59.00 for mileage.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, absent. Motion carried.

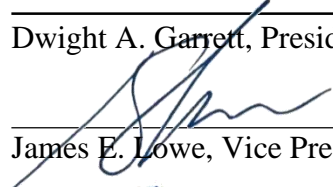
OTHER BUSINESS

Routt Road - Charlie Ortman, County Engineer discussed right of way issues for Routt Road. A right of way has never been assigned to this road, which does not mean a right of way does not exist. The question at hand is how wide should it be. Prosecutor Jeff Marks looked at roads that were dedicated approximately the same time as Routt Road and feels a 30 ft. easement would be reasonable. The property owners would like a compromise with a 25 ft. ROW. The Prosecutor will do more research to see if the Commissioners have the ability to reduce the right of way to appease the property owners. Once this information is obtained another meeting will be held. The Commissioners will visit the site Monday September 23, 2024. Present in the meeting were; Dan Cartee, Dean Cartee, Derek Cartee, Josh Hines, Joel and Shirley Mitten, Dawn & Scott Limle, Claude Gray, Toby Kellough, Jeff Lehner, Derek Gray.

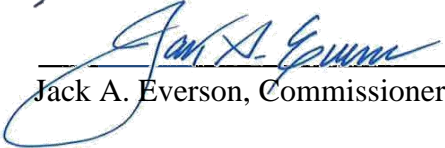
ADJOURN

Mr. James E. Lowe, Vice President, adjourned the regular meeting of September 16, 2024, at 11:30 a.m. Board of Commissioners of Ross County, Ohio

Dwight A. Garrett, President



James E. Lowe, Vice President



Jack A. Everson, Commissioner