

**OCTOBER 23 – MEETING 43
VOLUME 26**

The Ross County Board of Commissioners met on this day, October 23, 2023, in regular session.

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

Commissioner Garrett led the Pledge of Allegiance.

BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

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

DEPARTMENT	PURCHASE ORDER	PAY TO NAME	TOTAL VALUE	DEPARTMENT	PURCHASE ORDER	PAY TO NAME	TOTAL VALUE
Auditor	2023001633	International Identification, In	1561.7	Emergency Management	2023000252	Horizon Chillicothe Telephone	159.43
Auditor	2023000074	American Electric Power	580.54	Emergency Management	2023000254	Gardan Florch Co, Inc.	41.25
Auditor	2023000177	Rutherford, Chase Colin	615	Engineer	2023001730	Chillicothe Carpet	25346.69
Auditor	2023000177	Benson, Melinda J	285	Engineer	2023001983	Jack's Tire & Auto Center, Inc.	848.88
Auditor	2023000177	Fried, Claire R. Attorney At	435	Engineer	2023001890	Melvin Stone Co.	3147.94
Auditor	2023000177	Rutherford, Chase Colin	607.5	Engineer	2023001886	Rush Truck Centers of Ohio	2311.94
Auditor	2023000912	Treasurer, State of Ohio	5307.1	Engineer	2023001356	Tau Path Materials	1245
Auditor	2023000473	Office City Express	83.17	Engineer	2023001887	Value Added Business Services	188.84
Auditor	2023000177	Rutherford, Chase Colin	262.5	Engineer	2023001888	World Fuel Services, Inc	28681.47
Auditor	2023000177	Rutherford, Chase Colin	607.5	Engineer	2023001887	Sunbelt Rental, Inc	208.99
Auditor	2023000177	Rutherford, Chase Colin	225	Engineer	2023000488	Hart, Linda	500
Auditor	2023000177	Rutherford, Chase Colin	607.5	Engineer	2023001887	Ohio Forestry Association, Inc.	250
Auditor	2023000074	American Electric Power	1608.13	Engineer	2023001385	Griffin Pavement Striping	173164.88
Auditor	2023000065	Horizon Chillicothe Telephone	1051.89	Jury Commission	2023002063	Office Depot Inc.	711.97
Automatic Data Processing E	2023000441	Charter Communications Hold	321.65	Juvenile Court	2023001934	Integrated Services of Appala	16200
Automatic Data Processing E	2023000652	Modern Leasing	13.16	Juvenile Court	2023000523	King, Kirtan	870
Automatic Data Processing E	2023000250	Gordon Flech Co, Inc.	619.42	Juvenile Court	2023000274	E.B. Evaluations, Inc	150
Board of Elections	2023002027	KNO'WINK, LLC	975	Juvenile Court	2023000587	Pike Water, Inc.	346.37
Board of Elections	2023002027	KNO'WINK, LLC	8125	Juvenile Court	2023000274	Ohio Association of Magistrate	125
Board of Elections	2023002027	KNO'WINK, LLC	300	Probate Court	2023000273	Cutright, James K.	200
Board of Elections	2023002028	Jessica Ott	31.77	Probate Court	2023000922	JENNIFER ATER	469.13
Board of Elections	2023002068	Modern Leasing	451.21	Probate Court	2023000922	J. JEFFREY BENSON	55.12
Clerk of Courts	2023000278	Modern Leasing	116.98	Probate Court	2023000267	Printex Printing	30
Clerk of Courts	2023000279	Sunrush Water	16.2	Recorder	2023000534	Gardan Florch Co., Inc.	30.75
Commissioners	2023000570	Juvenile Detention Center	73871.39	Ross County Court System	2023000657	Child Protection Center of Ros	2106.23
Commissioners	2023000565	Office City Express	725.97	Ross County Court System	2023002082	Cathy List	40.64
Commissioners	2023000628	Fastenal Company	845.48	Ross County Court System	2023002081	Eric Barbee	57.84
Commissioners	2023001179	Carr Supply Chillicothe	24.13	Ross County Court System	2023002080	Carey Oater	71.25
Commissioners	2023000567	Sedgwick Claims Management	4625	Ross County Court System	2023002079	Carey Oater	17.25
Commissioners	2023000513	Horizon Chillicothe Telephone	116.53	Ross County Court System	2023002078	Pike Co. Recovery Council	120.01
Commissioners	2023002042	Haulin' Grass LLC	37.5	Ross County Court System	2023002077	Ross Co Transportation LLC	973.69
Commissioners	2023002043	Haulin' Grass LLC	37.5	Ross County Court System	2023002076	Amazon Capital Services	214.36
Commissioners	2023002044	Haulin' Grass LLC	115	Sheriff	2023000319	Parr Public Safety Equipment	4136
Commissioners	2023002045	Haulin' Grass LLC	250	Sheriff	2023000305	Tharp Animal Health Care Cen	57.5
Commissioners	2023002040	Haulin' Grass LLC	100	Sheriff	2023000313	Horizon Chillicothe Telephone	3123.43
Commissioners	2023002039	Integrated Protection Service	1250.76	Sheriff	2023000320	Davis Tire of Chillicothe	20
Commissioners	2023002038	A-1 Limestone	152	Sheriff	2023000320	Gallr, LLC	109.76
Commissioners	2023002037	AAF International	481.1	Sheriff	2023000320	US Safety Gear, Inc.	164.75
Commissioners	2023002036	S.O.S. Electric	2433.33	Sheriff	2023000326	Office City Express	32
Commissioners	2023000572	General Sales Company	229.39	Sheriff	2023000320	AutoZone	47.6
Commissioners	2023002050	Davis Tire of Chillicothe	791.84	Sheriff	2023000320	Sciata Shae Mart	364.44
Commissioners	2023002049	Haulin' Grass LLC	205	Sheriff	2023000348	Sciata Shae Mart	116.98
Commissioners	2023000642	Worly Plumbing Supply, Inc.	1531.29	Sheriff	2023000320	Superior Uniform Sales, Inc	445.87
Commissioners	2023000630	State Electric Supply, Inc.	688.4	Sheriff	2023001864	Janina Johnson	440
Commissioners	2023000627	State Electric Supply, Inc.	117.54	Sheriff	2023001863	Cattrill, Treiva J.	1706.44
Commissioners	2023000632	Grigsby Environmental Const	1600	Sheriff	2023000601	Ohio Dept of Job & Family Serv	3927
Commissioners	2023000642	Worly Plumbing Supply, Inc.	191.83	Sheriff	2023000345	Adena Medical Group, LLC	88.85
Commissioners	2023001179	Carr Supply Chillicothe	113.84	Sheriff	2023000345	Apexco Medical Group, Ohio, In	55.71
Commissioners	2023002050	Davis Tire of Chillicothe	118	Sheriff	2023000345	Emergency Professional Servi	296.5
Commissioners	2023002065	Advanced Services	174	Sheriff	2023000345	Adena Health System	1780.81
Commissioners	2023002067	Haulin' Grass LLC	225	Sheriff	2023001865	Welch, David Michael	240
Commissioners	2023002066	Haulin' Grass LLC	100	Sheriff	2023002071	Ercamilla, Vanessa	130
Commissioners	2023000629	State Electric Supply, Inc.	703.37	Sheriff	2023000345	Calumbar Radiology Corp.	1199.85
Commissioners	2023000627	State Electric Supply, Inc.	380.7	Sheriff	2023000348	Superior Uniform Sales, Inc	173.95
Commissioners	2023000684	Sherwin Williams Company	345.36	Sheriff	2023000348	Inright Public Sector, Inc	49.04
Commissioners	2023000642	Worly Plumbing Supply, Inc.	1278.25	Sheriff	2023000348	Jan Dick	123.5
Commissioners	2023000575	First Capital Enterprises	14773.6	Sheriff	2023000335	Fayette County Commissioner	3158.87
Common Pleas Court #1	2023002061	Chillicothe Gazette	65	Sheriff	2023000342	Trinity Services Group	6098.5
Coroner	2023001540	BIG Messages LLC	150	Sheriff	2023000320	DTB Distributors, Inc.	360.5
Coroner	2023001508	Amazon Capital Services	59.37	Sheriff	2023000348	DTB Distributors, Inc.	1065.9
Coroner	2023001921	Amazon Capital Services	11.59	Sheriff	2023000327	DTB Distributors, Inc.	56.08
Coroner	2023000159	AT&T Mobility	110.7	Sheriff	2023000348	Amazon Capital Services	112.26
Coroner	2023001956	All Signs of Chillicothe Inc	70	Sheriff	2023000316	APCO, AFC, Inc.	90
Coroner	2023000676	Michael R Ratliff	32.16	Sheriff	2023002064	Jim Sharkey Chrysler	247915.2
Coroner	2023001921	Amazon Capital Services	41.78	Sheriff	2023000320	Gannett Ohio LocaliO	1518.5
Coroner	2023000676	Michael R Ratliff	29.82	Veterans Service Commission	2023000299	Sprint PCS	61.71
Coroner	2023000003	NMS Labs	1980	Veterans Service Commission	2023002052	W.A.A. Nathaniel Marzie Chap	1700
Dog Warden	2023001675	Printex Printing	40	Veterans Service Commission	2023000300	Wex Bank	57.8
Dog Warden	2023001675	Covetrus North America	94.2	VOCA	2023001894	Printex Printing	250
							\$677,007.12

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

THEN & NOW CERTIFICATES APPROVED

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners approve "Then & Now" Certificates, dated October 9 through October 23, 2023, in the amount of \$20,934.05 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. Everson, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes, Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, \$191.68 be appropriated from General Fund into account codes 239-01-11-7201 Teays Valley Phase 3 (\$141.68) and account code 239-01-06-7201 Willow Creek (\$50.00), per a request of October 23, 2023 from the Ross County Commissioners.

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

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, \$600,000.00 be appropriated from Board of DD into account code 233-85-7103 Contract Services, per a request of October 23, 2023 from the Ross County Board of DD office.

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

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, \$90.00 be transferred from account code 212-29-01-7103 Contract Services Law, into account code 212-29-01-7125 Training Law, per a request of October 23, 2023 from the Ross County Sheriff's Office.

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

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, \$257,412.07 be transferred as follows, per a request October 23, 2023 from the Ross County Board of DD.

FROM		TO		AMOUNT
ACCOUNT TITLE	ACCOUNT CODE	ACCOUNT TITLE	ACCOUNT CODE	
Salaries - Help Me Grow	233-46-05-7001	Salaries - Indirect	233-46-21-7001	\$ 30,000.00
PERS - Help Me Grow	233-46-05-7012	PERS - Indirect	233-46-21-7012	\$ 4,000.00
Medicare - Direct Family Support	233-46-12-7017	Medicare - Indirect	233-46-21-7017	\$ 300.00
Insurance - Building Services	233-46-30-7014	Insurance - Nursing Services	233-46-72-7014	\$ 7,000.00
Salaries - Direct Children 6-21	233-46-53-7001	Salaries - Building Services	233-46-30-7001	\$ 55,000.00
Medicare - Direct Children 6-21	233-46-53-7017	Medicare - Building Services	233-46-30-7017	\$ 1,000.00
Salaries - Transportation	233-46-80-7001	Salaries - Direct Unassigned	233-46-54-7001	\$ 2,000.00
Medicare - Transportation	233-46-80-7017	Medicare - Direct Children 0-2	233-46-51-7017	\$ 182.82
Salaries - Help Me Grow	233-46-05-7001	Contract Services	233-46-85-7103	\$ 15,000.00
Salaries - Community Residential	233-46-11-7001	Contract Services	233-46-85-7103	\$ 5,000.00
PERS - Direct Family Support	233-46-12-7012	Contract Services	233-46-85-7103	\$ 5,000.00
Insurance - Program Supervision	233-46-22-7014	Contract Services	233-46-85-7103	\$ 5,000.00
Insurance - Building Services	233-46-30-7014	Contract Services	233-46-85-7103	\$ 10,000.00
Insurance - Direct Children 0-2	233-46-51-7014	Contract Services	233-46-85-7103	\$ 50,000.00
PERS-STRS - Direct Child. 6-21	233-46-53-7012	Contract Services	233-46-85-7103	\$ 15,000.00
Insurance - Direct Children 6-21	233-46-53-7014	Contract Services	233-46-85-7103	\$ 20,000.00
Insurance - Speech/Audiology	233-46-73-7014	Contract Services	233-46-85-7103	\$ 10,000.00
Salaries - Transportation	233-46-80-7001	Contract Services	233-46-85-7103	\$ 12,472.29
PERS - Transportation Services	233-46-80-7012	Contract Services	233-46-85-7103	\$ 8,432.88
Insurance - Transportation	233-46-80-7014	Contract Services	233-46-85-7103	\$ 2,024.30

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

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, \$222.85 be transferred from account code 420-29-11-7200 Equipment, into account codes 420-29-11-7550 Other Costs (\$200.00) and account code 420-29-11-7150 Supplies (\$22.85), per a request of October 23, 2023 from the Ross County Sheriff's Task Force.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. 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 Engineer for disposal of the following surplus property of the county as indicated:

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	TAG/ SERIAL	METHOD OF DISPOSAL
1	Massey Ferguson Tractor	V169002	Sold
1	Alamo Maverick Boom Mower	01302	Sold

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

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

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	TAG/ SERIAL	METHOD OF DISPOSAL
1	Sig Sauer P320	58J164358	Purchased by Jennifer Lagne for \$1.00

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

TIME SHEET APPROVED - COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners approve the time sheet submitted by Bradford M. Cosenza, County Administrator for the pay period ending October 21, 2023.

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

APPLICATION FOR APPROPRIATION TO ATTEND MEETING/CONVENTION

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, to approve a request for application for appropriation to attend meeting/convention from the Ross County Building Department Director to travel across the Appalachia Community Grant Program region at no cost to the county.

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

CONTRACT SIGNING WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN GRANT BATCH 1 2023

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners enter into a contract between Ross County and Duncan and Daniels Enterprises LLC. The bid for \$25,124.00 was awarded on October 2, 2023. Duncan & Daniels was the only bid provided. This contract will replace 2 home sewage systems.

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

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS COURTHOUSE RESTORATION

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to solicit for Statements of Qualifications from qualified individuals or firms to provide Design Professional Services for its Courthouse Restoration, Repairs and Improvement Project (the "Project"). The Owner reserves the right to add additional scope and services if further improvements are identified and funds are available. The Owner anticipates that it will use a general contractor for the construction of the Project and statutory competitive bidding as required by law.

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

ROSS COUNTY SHOEMAKER AIRPORT HANGAR LEASE

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded to enter into a hangar lease with Dr. Dan Madsen, for hangar 34 at the Ross County Shoemaker Airport for \$135.00 monthly.

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

2024 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE APPROVED

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to approve the 2024 Holiday Schedule as listed below.

January 15	Martin Luther King Day	October 14	Columbus Day/Indigenous People's Day
February 19	Presidents Day	November 11	Veterans Day
March 29	Good Friday (close at noon)	November 28	Thanksgiving
May 27	Memorial Day	November 29	Day after Thanksgiving
June 19	Juneteenth	December 24	Christmas Eve
July 4	Independence Day	December 25	Christmas Day
August 7	Fair Day (close at noon)	December 31	New Year's Eve (close at noon)
September 2	Labor Day	January 1	New Year's Day

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

2023 WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN FUND

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded to approve Ms. Kelly Spindler, Environmental Health's recommendation to spend \$25,000.00 on Bainbridge Sewer Connections from the 2023 WPCLF. If Bainbridge still has a need when the 2024 WPCLF comes along in late spring of 2025 we can discuss the amount of funds available to assist at that time.

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

CONTRACTS ENTERED INTO SCHINDLER ELEVATOR

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to approve a three year, preventative maintenance agreement for the elevator located at the Ross County Annex, 15-17 North Paint Street, Chillicothe OH, for the monthly fee of \$90.00 or \$1,080.00.

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

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, to approve a three year, preventative maintenance agreement for the elevator located at the Ross County Courthouse, 2 North Paint Street, Chillicothe OH, for the monthly fee of \$90.00 or \$1,080.00.

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

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to approve a three year, preventative maintenance agreement for the elevator located at the LCNB Building, located 33 East Main Street, Chillicothe OH, for the monthly fee of \$90.00 or \$1,080.00.

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

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, to approve a three year, preventative maintenance agreement for three elevators located at the Ross County Jail, 28 North Paint Street, Chillicothe OH, for the monthly fee of \$440.00 or \$5,280.00.

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

2023 OUTREACH SPECIALISTS' ACTIVITY REPORT APPROVED – ROSS COUNTY RECYCLING OUTREACH

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded the Ross County Board of Commissioners, by its President, Dwight A. Garrett, approve the 2023 Outreach Specialists' Activity Report, to receive payment in the amount of \$10,000.00, from the Solid Waste District, for the 4th quarter; and, activity reported for the 3rd quarter by the Outreach Specialists.

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

EFFECTIVE DATE FOR CEBCO INSURANCE CHANGED

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, to approve changing the insurance effective date, for new hire Michelle Rout, Prosecutor's office. Her hire date was 10/16/2023 which means her insurance coverage would not take effect until 11/16/2023, leaving her without coverage for 15 days. The Commissioners agreed to give Ms. Rout an exception and allow her effective date to be 11/1/2023, so her family is not without insurance.

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

APPLICATION FOR APPROPRIATION TO ATTEND MEETING/CONVENTION

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, to approve a request for application for appropriation to attend meeting/convention from the Ross County Recorder, for her staff member, Brent Umina, to attend the Winter ORA CE Conference at Hilton Columbus at Polaris, 8700 Lyra Drive, Columbus OH 43240 on November 13 - 15, 2023 at an approximate cost of \$66.00 for mileage and \$325.00 registration fee to the county.

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

OTHER BUSINESS

Devon Shoemaker, Planning Director and Bryan Wickline, Chillicothe Paints talked with the Commissioners about applying for the State of Ohio Capital Grant to replace the turf at the VA Stadium. Mr. Wickline believes a match is required to apply for the grant. His ask is \$500,000.00 for a total project cost of approximately \$850,000 - \$900,000. The Commissioners will find out if the matching funds are a requirement before writing a letter of support for the grant.

Mr. Courtland Hasting, Union Township Fire Department is trying to bring back the 911 parade. He would like to stage the fire trucks in the Ross County Service Center parking lot before the parade that would take place at 6:00pm on September 11, 2024. The Commissioners agree that this should not be a problem since the Service Center closes at 4:30.

ADJOURN

Mr. Dwight A. Garrett, President, adjourned the regular meeting of October 23, 2023, at 12:10 p.m.

Board of Commissioners of Ross County, Ohio



Dwight A. Garrett, President



James E. Lowe, Vice President



Jack A. Everson, Commissioner