Minutes 2014

Tuesday February 11, 2014
Boardroom of the Commissioners
622 Croghan St., Fremont, OH 43420

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Session began at 8:00a.

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Throughout the day the following occurred…….

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Commissioners reviewed numerous mailings. Several other items for other offices were signed and/or reviewed by the Commissioners. Minutes were approved for session 02.06.2014. Invoices were approved in electronic/paper fashion. Of particular note was a verbiage revision in the recent subordination issued for Richard & Brandy Escobedo. This occurred in resolution 2014-36. The lender requested a minor change which is not substantive and was approved by a verbal conversation with the Assistant Prosecutor on 02.10.2014. Commissioners signed the revised document accordingly.

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Duane Kimmet – Facility Management Director, and Sandy Burmeister – Office Manager, met with the Commissioners. The following were point of discussion:

Telephone System – Phone system appears to be getting worse. Repair tech had difficulty gaining access to the administration side in order to work on the problem. Tech was here for approximately 6 hours. Tech is recommending replacement of the system.

500 W. State FCS Heating System – It appears that the problem with the rooms on the North side of the Fremont City Schools area has been resolved. The Trane Tech was here for a couple of days and found out that the unit had not been programmed correctly and the burner was not coming on at all. Area was only being heated by the 1000 watt electric reheat. Kimmet noted that the Trane expert found that problem. The County should not be paying the invoice for the work as it was a problem that is the result of the original installation.

Courthouse Alert System – Discussion was had on the old system which had a problem recently which caused the evacuation of the courthouse. Commissioners decided that taking the system out should not be the course of action but taking the system offline is appropriate.

Nursing Home – The former county home now under the auspices of Liberty Health Care, has noted that the home needs some new flooring. Kimmet looked at the rooms in which they are planning to replace the flooring and see no issues with their plan.

Discussion was had on the REMSNO tower and whether or not there is a need to maintain it. Decision was to leave it alone for now but it is something that will need addressed in the not too distant future.

A question was raised about Midstate Contracting about the evaluation of the roof of the courthouse. This has not yet been accomplished.

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Commissioners discussed a matter of a few constituents want to fly their radio controlled jets at the Regional Airport. Commissioner Polter will bring this matter to the SCRAA.

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County Administrator discussion: County Administrator addressed the matter of the elevator modernization and the fact that a change order has been received for the issue of cleaning the casing into which the new ram had to be placed. This issue cost $4,377.47. Commissioner Damschroder moved to allow the change order with the additional amount of the invoice coming from the Permanent Improvement Fund. A second to the motion was offered by Commissioner Thatcher. The ensuing vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Discussion was had on appointing an apiary inspector for the county. The conversation was full of pros and cons. Discussion ended with an eventual motion to pursue the matter and look for an inspector offered by Commissioner Polter with a second to the motion by Commissioner Damschroder. The vote was as follows: Thatcher–no, Polter–yes, Damschroder–yes.

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Justin LaBenne, candidate for the SCRAA Board, met with the Commissioners. He discussed his desire to serve in that capacity and answered several questions for the Commissioners. He was sought out by the Board President – Bruce Schrader, about serving. He noted that he is ready to challenge the other Board members in their decision making process. Commissioners noted that they would approve his appointment in the very near future.

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Judges Ansted and Dewey – Common Pleas Court judges, met with the Commissioners. They noted that the current Reentry Court grant is no longer going to be available by the end of February. They noted that they would like to see the magistrate position rolled partially into the general fund. The current IV-D revenue is approximate $25K per year. Judge Ansted noted that she believes that the program will remain viable after some internal changes are set in place. Commissioners offered some comments about their visit to the Reentry Court. She noted that the value of the Reentry Court will be proven over time. There was commentary about the public defender fees that might be saved as the Reentry Court does not require defense representation. Comments were offered about the issue of the level of activity of the magistrates. They noted that they are working on the matter of Ohio Supreme Court and getting certification for the Reentry Court. The cost to the general fund might be $72K but the IV-D funds should be able to pay part of that cost. Judges will check into the matter of being able to transfer the IV-D funds to the general fund without any issue.

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Then & Now certificates: none

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Personnel Action(s) approved: none

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Public forum portion of session proceeded.

Citizen attendees: none

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Media attendees: none

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RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED ON THIS DATE

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FUND TRANSFER – SCDJFS (MANDATED SHARE) - $32,724.32

M - Thatcher S - Polter VOTE – all, yes

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SETTING DATE & TIME FOR THE OPENING OF BIDS ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES (BOARD OF DD), FOR TWO (2), FOURTEEN (14) PASSENGER, WHEELCHAIR EQUIPPED VANS

M - Damschroder S - Polter VOTE – all, yes

2014 – 46
(RESCINDS 2014-31, 39, 40)

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION – COMMISSIONERS/TREASURER – (TAX ADMINISTRATION ACCT) - $16K
REIMBURSEMENT TO VARIOUS ACCTS – (TAX ADMINISTRATION ACCT) - $4,693.40

M - Damschroder S - Polter VOTE – all, yes

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AUTHORIZING AND ENTERING INTO AGREEMENT WITH MS CONSULTANTS, INC. FOR 2014 ENGINEERING SERVICES ON BEHALF OF THE SANDUSKY COUNTY SANITARY ENGINEER

M - Thatcher S - Damschroder VOTE – all, yes

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SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION – SHERIFF (OUTSIDE CONTRACT INMATE HOUSING) - $12,430

M - Damschroder S - Polter VOTE – all, yes

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Derek Merrin – regional liaison for the State Auditor's office, met with the Commissioners for a meet and greet. He is new to the office and discussed some of the matters that the State Auditor is pursuing statewide. He is working with other governmental agencies in caring for performance audit.

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Norman Solze – Assistant County Prosecutor, met with the Commissioners. There was nothing remarkable to report. Clarion Inn is status quo and is up for sale. Commissioners asked if some tax delinquency properties might be coming up for sale. There are only a few on his radar.

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At 11:30a with business being concluded for this date, Commissioner Damschroder moved for adjournment with a second to the motion offered by Commissioner Polter. Motion passed unanimously upon the vote.

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Board of County Commissioners, Sandusky County, Ohio

Attest: _____
Clerk to the Board

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Commissioners,
Sandusky County, Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing
Is a true and correct copy from the official record of said?
Board of County Commissioners as recorded in its Journal.

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Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, Sandusky County, Ohio