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Tuesday March 26, 2013
Boardroom of the Commissioners
622 Croghan St., Fremont, OH 43420

Session began at 8:00a. Commissioner Damschroder is absent due to attendance at a CCAO subcommittee meeting.

Throughout the day the following occurred.....

Commissioners reviewed numerous mailings. Several other items for other offices were signed and/or reviewed by the Commissioners. Minutes from the regular session on 03.21.2013 were not signed as Commissioner Damschroder is absent as is required to sign same. Invoices were cared for in electronic and paper fashion. Of particular note was the signing of a form attesting to the number of miles of roads the county has and maintains. This signed on behalf of the office of the County Engineer.

Then & Now certificates: none

County Administrator issues: An issue has arisen with not being able to determine if approval was officially given for the surge suppression systems in several county buildings to be paid from the Permanent Improvement Fund. The County Engineer is caring for half of the cost in his building as most of the work that needs to be accomplished is in his buildings. Commissioner Thatcher moved in a nunc pro tunc action to allow the minutes to reflect that approval should have been issued on 03.26.2013. Commissioner Polter offered the second to the motion with an ensuing vote of unanimously in the affirmative. The cost to the Commissioners' side of the cost is just about \$8,500. Both Commissioners voted in the affirmative.

Travel Request(s) approved: none

Personnel Action(s) approved: none

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Duane Kimmet, Facility Management Director, met with the Commissioners. The following was discussed.

Communication Center – Received budgetary estimates from Poggemeyer Design Group to renovate the Comm Center for use by the Detective's Bureau and Road Patrol. Budgetary price is as follows: (Total budgetary - \$304,890.00)

- a. Design - \$24,140.00
- b. Reimbursables - \$750.00
- c. Renovation - \$280,000.00

Some discussion ensued with the Commissioners deciding to place this matter on hold for further discussion directly with the Sheriff. They noted that they need to work on a priority list.

There was much discussion about the need for replacing the boilers at the jail, the Facility Management salt truck, and the issues with the chiller unit at the Service Center. Again it was noted that priorities need to be set.

Service Center Landscape – Current landscape is overgrown. Had Corso's create a landscape plan to remove some plants and replace. Plan would also include trimming existing plants. We are planning to use some of the stone that was removed from the Sheriff's office roof and also planning to have the CWP grind up the plants that are removed to reduce project expenses. Blueprints were reviewed. Budgetary cost is \$15,000.00. Commissioners reviewed this with a critical eye and noted that the scope of work seemed appropriate. They advised Mr. Kimmet to move forward with getting quotes.

Cleaning Service – Sparkle and Shine has sold their business to Clean Team from Toledo. They said they would honor the existing contracts that we have in place. The Prosecutor's office is working on an agreement. County Administrator has the document.

A report from the BWC observer noted that the roof access ladders at a couple of the county buildings need to be cared for and FM office was able to find recycled materials to use. Commissioners signed a letter for the OSS staff to allow for the purchase to be made from the county's recycle funds.

Public forum portion of session proceeded.

Citizen attendees: none

Media attendees: Steve Sturbaum – sanduskycountylive.com

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RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED ON THIS DATE

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Supplemental appropriation – Sheriff (contract services for contract inmate housing) \$3,850

M - Thatcher

S – Polter

Vote – all, yes

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Authorizing the filing of an application for funding with the Ohio Development Services Agency to request \$400,000 of FY'2013 Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) funds, and procuring WSOS Community Action Commission Inc. (WSOS) to prepare the application and administer the program

M – Polter

S - Thatcher

Vote – all, yes

Chris Mock, EMA/911 Director met with the Commissioners. The following was discussed.

EMA - Updates

- Replacement siren for Clyde
- Terra Active Shooter Exercise
- DART trailer – this is a volunteer program - supplies
- Phase out alert monitors because of Narrow Banding issues – since the Everbridge System is in place and NOAA weather radios provide the same service as the alert monitors
- Luther Meadows, Gibsonburg – Weather safety
- Held training for all document holders of the Radiological Procedures Document
- Davis Besse Dry Run & Exercise on April 2 and May 14 at 6:30 P.M.
- Dangerous Wild Animal Committee to be formed by July – Elected Official needed (law enforcement-First Aid-Health-Fire-EMA-Broadcast and Print Media- Dangerous Wild Animal Owner) consider adding a Veterinarian

LEPC – Updates

- Hazmat Ops Course – scheduled May 4 & 11 @ Ballville Fire
- NIMS – working on 300 & 400 – (Nov. Dec. Jan.)
- Tabletop exercise – Went very well

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911 – Updates

- 911 calls from Florida and California (operator failure) still getting occasional reports from Fremont PD
- 911 backup repeater
- 911 information for Atul is being compiled to bring him up to speed as quickly as possible

Questions or concerns? None noted.

County Auditor, Bill Farrell met with the Commissioners. He started out by reporting that the county is down from last year at this point almost \$122K in sales tax. Charges for services are doing better in some areas which are cushioning the sales tax blow somewhat, but not enough to make up this difference. Racinos and Internet cafes were discussed and the fact that there is no manner by which taxes can be garnered from these entities at this time. Mr. Farrell is not gravely concerned at this point but is watching it closely. Expenses are running where they should but there are three offices that are running over in their salary areas. There was some discussion about the governor attempting to expand the sales tax base and Mr. Farrell advised that he has learned that much of the plan has been removed from the budget bill.

Commissioners discussed the request that was noted last week from Mark Lippert requesting permission to allow him on the property around the courthouse and Flag Park to run his metal detector. Commissioners discussed this with the eventual decision made to place the question to the County Prosecutor.

Karen LaFountain, TASC Director, met with the Commissioners. Her report follows:

Kira's current caseload is 18, and Mike's caseload is 60 and my caseload is 3. I currently do not have a caseload because my duties have increased with Certification, I must do the diagnosis on all clients assessed by TASC. I am also doing all of the testing as Jessie has been unable to give more hours due to an increase of hours in his full-time job. Bev has taken a job at Child Support. I have not hired anyone else as I was waiting for the money from the Board and it arrived yesterday. The check we received was for \$56,016, which, should pay for September through December.

Now that Bev is gone, I am going to do the Behavioral Health modules and continue to try to get MACSIS up and running. I am also going to get MITS up and running as we can get paid for clients who are Medicaid. The only problem with this is, according to other TASC program Directors, the money takes a very long time to show up and then they wait until after they have paid and want their money back if there is anything wrong with the claims.

At the ODADAS training, I was able to talk to Joyce Starr who is the Chief of Treatment at ODADAS. In a prior phone conversation with Joyce and Tony Johnson, Joyce told Tony to talk to Nancy Cochran and arrange to get some instructions for us on MACSIS. That was a month

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ago and I have not heard from either Tony or Nancy since. Nancy did send me a 120-day letter which indicates her intention to get me to sign another contract with her. I did talk to Joani and she said that I did not have to sign a contract with the Board. I would prefer not to. I am not sure what will happen if I do not sign. Joani is deep in grant season and has not been able to go over this with me. I talked to her this morning and she suggested that I call one of the other TASC Program Directors that went through the same thing with their Board. I will not give up and will find out what the repercussions if any would be. We are still waiting to find out if we have passed Tier Two testing. I did email Steve Kirschner, who is the MIS guy for Behavioral Health Generations which is the company that Nancy uses to do her billing. He is the person that we have had to deal with when setting up for MACSIS and he has been anything but helpful.

I have been talking to Danny Sanchez about doing some treatment for his IDIP probationers and hosting a "Thinking for a Change Program" at night as his people need a night treatment which is not available for them currently. We also got the money for a Case Manager for the Reentry Court, but I still do not know what the duties will be. I am going to wait to hire another person until I find out. As far as Case Management goes, when they are ready for us, Mike or Kira can start working with the Court until I get someone. I am thinking that Mike may be going to be the one to work with the Court as he is more seasoned as a Case Manager. When I hire someone, I like to work closely with them until I am sure they know what they are doing. I have submitted a list of the duties that are included in TASC Case Management to Lorraine Croy so that the Reentry Committee can decide what part TASC should have in the scheme of things.

I have been working on the grant and have it completed with the exception of the Mutual Services Agreements which I am waiting to be returned. I have the one back from Fremont Municipal Court so far. I have included the budget for you to look over. I have also included the actual expenses with the up-to-date income from the Lab. So far this SFY, the lab has made over \$50,000. We have been doing confirmation testing for Huron Juvenile Court and Norwalk Municipal Court the last few months and the business is growing. We have been getting referrals for testing from other Counties.

I did notice that Nancy told her Board that "the Commissioners" believe that MHR SB is only a pass through for our money. It sounds like she still does not understand that it is ODADAS that expects her to function as a pass through.

So far in 2013, we have had 56 referrals compared to 137 for the same period last year. We have processed 9,411 drug tests compared with 5,866 drug tests processed for the same period in 2012. The first half of SFY2013, we have completed 114 assessments and admitted 99 clients compared to 107 assessments completed and 88 admitted for the same period last year. We case managed 222 clients so far this SFY compared to 188 in the same period last year. Our receipts from the lab in 2013 were \$56,301 compared to \$50,540 for the same period last year and \$27,150 for the same period in 2011.

At 12noon Commissioner Thatcher had to exit session due to other matters needing his attention.

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Cathy Glassford, FCFC Director, met with Commissioner Polter. There were no matters requiring decision so she simply made her report. Help Me Grow funding concerns were noted. There are two parts to the program, one that deals with child medical issues and one that deals directly with families where visits occur to help families with potential children at risk. The County Health Department, which runs that program, was thinking about abandoning the program but has found an outside contractor to handle it in the interim while a decision is still pending. It sounds as though the state assistance may be reducing FCFC funding by up to 15%. The allocation tables are shortly coming out and Ms. Glassford will then know what they might face. She is applying for other grants via the Prevention Partnerships program. There was much discussion about philosophical positions about all of the programming needs and what should be in place and what should be eliminated.

Adjournment occurred at 12:30p by default with no one present other than Commissioner Polter.

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.

Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, Sandusky County, Ohio