

Sandusky County Commissioners – 6225 Croghan Street, Fremont, OH 43420

MEETING 2019

Meeting: Board Of Commissioners

Location: Commissioners' Board Room

Date: 12/12 /19

Time: 8:00AM – 11:08AM

Present: Commissioners: Scott Miller, President; Russ Zimmerman, V-President; Kay E Reiter

Present: Theresa Garcia; County Administrator

Others Present: Melanie Allen, Joe Gerber

(*action items)

AGENDA ITEMS	BRIEF DESCRIPTIONS / ACTION STEPS:	PERSON RESPONSIBLE:	DOLLAR AMOUNT:	MOTION / VOTE
Call to Order Pledge of Allegiance (9:00am)	*** Commissioner Miller attended Clydescope and Commissioner Zimmerman attended Soil & Water Board meetings in the morning. Commissioner Zimmerman entered session at 9:09am and opened session.	Russ Zimmerman - Vice President		
	Commissioner Miller entered session at 9:15am.	Scott Miller		
*Review & Approval of Commissioner Meeting Minutes, incoming Mail Review & External Meeting Notices	The 12/11/19 minutes were reviewed/approved by the Board. The Board reviewed incoming mail and external meeting notices.	Scott Miller, Russ Zimmerman, Kay E Reiter		*Motion: Move to Approve minutes Moved by: Kay E Reiter 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes - 3
Review of External board / Meetings Attended by Commissioners	All three Commissioners attended the OSS Board meeting last Wednesday. Budget discussion went well and they discussed replacing the box truck that was totaled in an accident a few months ago. They will either be leasing or buying a truck. They had citizens attending regarding the Sunny Farms issue. That went well and one gentlemen made a statement but overall they were happy. It was a full house. The meeting was informative and they were happy with the way budget review was presented.	Scott Miller, Russ Zimmerman, Kay E Reiter		
	All three Commissioners and the Administrator attended The CCAO/CEAO Winter Conference last week. There was a lot of good information shared. They legislative presentation and what accomplishments were made to	Scott Miller, Russ Zimmerman, Kay E Reiter Theresa Garcia		

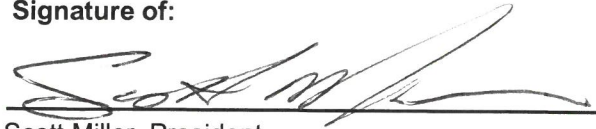
	<p>assist the County's was impressive. It was good to see the Governor is committed to helping the County's along with children's services. The Public Defender funding was a big win. Commissioner Reiter was disappointed how they breezed through some of the announcements that needed to be made. The appointment of the new Executive Director and resignation of the current Executive Director was almost an after-thought. Mrs. DeWine presented information on the Dolly Parton book program. She is working to assure the program is available in all Ohio Counties. It was also a great networking event to share ideas with other County Commissioners.</p>			
	<p>The Commissioners were unable to attend the Regel Recovery Services ribbon cutting in Woodville due to another obligation. Commissioner Reiter talked to Mircea Handru about the opening and they are all very excited.</p>			
	<p>Regional Planning meeting was at the same time as the Foster Care Forum. This was a Christmas meeting for Regional Planning.</p>			
	<p>The Commissioners all attended a Foster Care Forum in Wood County last week. There were 20 testimonies given at the forum. One was an individual from Fremont and his presentation was a positive testimony. This was one of ten forums set up for the State of Ohio. By May 24th they will have a report submitted on the outcome of the forums. One item discussed was how the "right to be heard law" needs to be upheld by the courts. They also talked about the mental support for those who age out of the system. Each county's rules are different for foster care. There is no consistency. There is a need for better training and specifically trauma training for Foster Families. There were some families who have had 58 foster children others had over 100 who have passed through their homes. The law only allows children to be in a Foster Home for two years and they have to move, They mentioned the kinship program and the comment was this needed to be funded too.</p>	<p>Scott Miller, Russ Zimmerman, Kay E Reiter</p>		
	<p>Commissioner Reiter attended the TMACOG Executive committee meeting yesterday. They praised Sandusky County on having the bypass project approved through ODOT. It passed first time around which is unusual. They had questions regarding the project and ODOT was not there so Commissioner Reiter was able to answer some of the questions. One question asked was</p>	<p>Kay E Reiter</p>		

	if there was a round-about involved and there was conversation on round-about's after that.			
	Commissioners Miler and Zimmerman attended the Leadership Sandusky County and Chamber of Commerce Holiday Reception yesterday. They had some great presentations. There was also great networking too.	Russ Zimmerman		
	Commissioner Zimmerman attended the Soil & Water Board meeting this morning. They talked about the matching funds for the Prevent Plant program. As of right now the Commissioners would cover \$4,060.20 due next March. The H2 Ohio would like to expand the wetlands in Ohio. The concern is this becomes a habitat for black birds and increases the population. They are closing their office on 12/24/19. They are looking at replacing the position opened by a staff resignation. Commissioner Reiter asked how financials looked. Commissioner Zimmerman stated they looked good.	Russ Zimmerman		
	Commissioner Miller attended the Clydescope meeting this morning. They met at the municipal meeting so they could go over web site update. There was discussion on the objective of the web site and how to sell Clyde area and not just Clyde. They are hoping to have the page live by January 1 st . Sleepy Hollow golf course has been sold and they are looking for someone to run the kitchen. There is also some activity on a new food chain opening west of Clyde. There are three new board members in Clydescope that were voted in. The CRA group is going to visit Clyde City Council meeting on the 24 th of January to talk with them about the CRA.	Scott Miller		
Commissioners and Administrators Discussion	Dave Wadsworth, Regional Airport Manager, forgot to ask the Commissioner during his meeting if the Commissioners would consider sharing the cost of the airport insurance. The Commissioner are unable to budget this for 2020.			
	Commissioner Zimmerman said by January 6 th the Auditor has to notify AMP of how the reimbursement on the appeal and the reimbursement had to be submitted this past June and no appeal was filed.			
* Then /Now Documents	None			
* Personnel	None			
* Travel Requests	None			

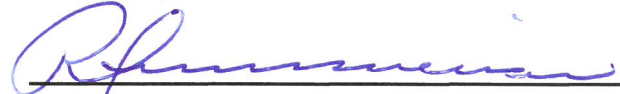
Job and Family Services	Meanie Allen – Job and Family Services. Melanie came in for her regular meeting with the Commissioners. See attachment A for agenda items. She is still predicting similar or less placement costs for 2020. They have 22 children in custody and could go to 19 in January. Melanie reviewed the placement report. The foster forum in Wood County last week went well. Many of the stories were hard to hear. On 12/31/19 the contract with Nate Koenig, Children’s Keeper Foster Program Coordinator, terminates and he will still work for them only he will be working for the Mental Health Board. Melanie is fine with the renovation at PEAK. The program still has plenty of room. Melanie talked more about the foster forum last week. They are working on a hybrid position with Fremont City Schools. They are hoping that communication and confidentiality issues will improve. This would be like the School Resource Officer but a School Case Worker Officer. This should fill a huge gap between the schools and children’s services.	Melanie Allen - Director		
Community Work Program	Bill Windnagel – CWP. Bill was unable to attend his meeting.			
* Resolutions (10:00am)	2019 - 390 APPROVING APPROPRIATION TRANSFER FOR JUVENILE COURT FROM OTHER EXPENSES (\$810.00) TO CONTRACT SERVICES FOR YEAR END INVOICES	Juvenile Court	\$810.00	*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Kay E Reiter 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes - 3
	2019 - 391 AUTHORIZING CHANGE FUND ACCOUNT BE ESTABLISHED FOR THE SANDUSKY COUNTY SANITARY ENGINEER FOR 2020 (\$200.00)	Sanitary Engineer	\$200.00	*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Kay E Reiter 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes - 3
	2019 – 392 ESTABLISHING THE COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE FOR SANDUSKY COUNTY TO ENCOURAGE ALL RESIDENTS TO COMPLETE CENSUS FORMS *** Commissioner Reiter asked who would sit on this committee and if the Board has a say in these members	Regional Planning		*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Russ Zimmerman 2nd: Kay E Reiter Yes - 3

	2019 - 393 APPROVING APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS FOR COMMISSIONERS FROM SUPPLIES TO UTILITIES (\$160.00); FUND TRANSFER FROM COUNTYWIDE BENEFITS TO PUBLIC DEFENDER CONTRACT SERVICES (\$14,900.00); FROM COUNTYWIDE CONTRACT SERVICES TO PUBLIC DEFENDER CONTRACT SERVICES (\$8,000.00); AND SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION TO PI CAPITAL OUTLAY FOR CRUISER REPLACEMENT (\$34,000.00)	Commissioners, Countywide and PI	\$160.00 \$14,900.00 \$8,000.00 \$34,000.00	*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Russ Zimmerman 2nd: Scott Miller Yes - 3
Prosecutor	Joe Gerber – Prosecutors Office. Joe came in to update the Commissioners on the Prosecutors Office. Joe was asked if he could update the Commissioners on cases in the office that could affect the county. Joe asked to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters. At 10:50am Commissioner Miller moved to enter executive session to discuss personnel matters. At 11:07am Commissioners exited executive session	Joe Gerber – Assistant Prosecutor Joe Gerber Scott Miller, Russ Zimmerman, Kay E Reiter Theresa Garcia		* Motion: Move to enter executive session. Moved by: Scott Miller 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes – 3 * Motion: Move to exit executive session. Moved by: Scott Miller 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes - 3
Public Open Session	Citizens Attendees – none Media Attendees – none Elected Officials – none			
* Adjournment (11:08am)	With business completed for the day the meeting was adjourned.			* Motion: Move to adjourn Moved by: 2nd: Yes - 3

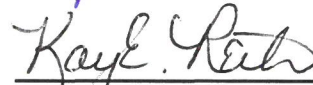
Signature of:



Scott Miller, President



Russ Zimmerman, Vice President



Kay E. Reiter

Board of County Commissioners, Sandusky County Ohio

Attest: 
Clerk to the Board / County Administrator

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

Commissioners Dec Agenda

12/12/19

- I. **Placement Costs** --no major changes, projecting similar or less in numbers for 2020
 - a. **Current custody count: 22 (could go to 19 in January)**
 - i. Safe reductions: 32,33 will be on leave with mom by xmas and terminate, 24 adopted early nx year, and 30 trying to get home, but behaviors are barrier.
 - ii. Plcmt meeting 11/18 @ 9- went over information on needs of children in care
 - iii. Maint of effort placement cost amount - Jan to June 2020 amount will be approx. \$80,816/mo and July-Dec will be approx. \$81,600
 - b. 30 days: 3rd case- found placement and back up, both are out of state, child 57 major behaviors. 4th case found placement and back up, a few counties over, working on decision on which kin to place child 58
 - c. Childrens Keeper (nate), tri-county project will start 1/1/20 w Seneca Wyandot and us. Terminated our contract with him and with mental health board exclusively with us eff. 12/31/19.
- II. **Building issues**
 - a. Conference room project, reviewed plans, ready for the project to begin
 - b. Peak building, reviewed those plans, seem to think this will work out fine.
- III. **Staffing**
 - a. Asst Director/ Program Manager- reorganizing within workforce, will be posting position after the first of the year.
 - b. Children services has 1 resignation, potentially 1 additional, and one leave of absence thru January. Working to ensure cases are manageable being short staffed
- IV. **Misc.**
 - a. Executive: still not up, no e-suites for staff to get pay stubs, requesting from auditor's office. Waiting on billing and new world from our office, workers going to courthouse for billing have been feeling the time strain involved in doing so.
 - b. Foster Forum Dec 9, wood county
 - c. Foster Christmas party at Journeys Dec 12 5-7
 - d. Working on a hybrid position with Fremont City Schools.

