


Sandusky County Commissioners – 622 Croghan Street, Fremont, OH 43420			MEETING 2021	
Meeting: Board Of Commissioners	Location: Commissioners' Board Room	Date: 8/12/2021	Time: 9:30AM 11:55AM	
Present: Commissioners: Russ Zimmerman President; Scott Miller V-President				
Present: Theresa Garcia; County Administrator				
Others Present: Melanie Allen, Tom Fullen, Craig Shoup, Greg Telecky, Ron Hiser, Steve Shiets, Bryan Bailey				
(*action items)				
AGENDA ITEMS	BRIEF DESCRIPTIONS / ACTION STEPS:	PERSON RESPONSIBLE:	DOLLAR AMOUNT:	MOTION / VOTE
Call to Order Pledge of Allegiance (9:30am)	Commissioner Schwochow is absent for session today	Russ Zimmerman, President		
*Review & Approval of Commissioner Meeting Minutes, incoming Mail Review & External Meeting Notices	The 8/10/2021 minutes were reviewed/approved by the Board. The Board reviewed incoming mail and external meeting notices.	Russ Zimmerman Scott Miller		*Motion: Move to Approve minutes Moved by: Scott Miller 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes – 2 (Schwochow absent)
Review of External board / Meetings Attended by Commissioners	Commissioner Zimmerman attended the Building Code Advisory meeting. They discussed the fee schedule. They want to get the fee schedule form to look more like the State form to lessen confusion. They are going to have an open house for contractors to answer questions and let them see the new office. They also discussed rolling out the residential code at some point. They need to make sure they have enough public hearings before this happens.	Russ Zimmerman		
	They had a meeting last night regarding the Rodriguez Street project in Gibsonburg. There were four residents owning five of the parcels in attendance that are in favor of the project. They asked a lot of questions on the project, changes and costs. They discussed that this was a one-time chance to have funding covered.	Russ Zimmerman		


Commissioners and Administrator Discussion	Commissioners reviewed estimates on a water and sewer project for Ballville Township. The Commissioners will have to contact Bob Kusmer to ask questions on the estimates.	Russ Zimmerman Scott Miller		
	Commissioner Miller had several things to discuss. He completed a draft for note pads for the fair. These will get ordered. He also had someone reach out about the homeless population and how to get housing for those that need housing. Administrator Garcia mentioned a meeting scheduled on August 31 st with an individual to talk about this. Another individual asked about lighting out on River Road on the North side of the road. Commissioner Miller did not feel there was funding available for that. There was also a discussion with the Sandusky County Regional Airport Authority on a study on St. Rt. 20 to see what type of business opportunities would thrive there.	Scott Miller		
* Then /Now Documents	One certificate was presented by Adult Probation Office. Order was placed prior to securing a PO. One invoice makes up this certificate. Computer Man - \$27.50	Adult Probation	\$27.50	*Motion: Move to Approve certificate Moved by: Scott Miller 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes – 2 (Schwochow absent)
* Personnel	None			
* Travel Requests	None			
Job and Family Services	<u>Melanie Allen – DJFS.</u> Melanie came in for her regular meeting with the Commissioners. See attachment A for agenda items. Placement costs are staying steady but will be less than last year. The mandated amount for invoicing costs would have been almost \$240,000.00 more than what they have been invoicing. There are 32 children in county custody this month. The 30 Days to Family Program is still working well. She is still a part of the Directors Workshop. Melanie plans to put mask mandate for her staff next Monday. She will also recommend masks for visitors. Open positions are being filled and staffing is going well.	Melanie Allen - Director		

* Resolutions	2021 - 264 FIRST AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SANDUSKY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (SCC) AND GREAT LAKES COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP (GLCAP)	GLCAP		*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Scott Miller 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes – 2 (Schwochow absent)
	2021 – 265 APPROVING PROJECTS ELIGIBLE THROUGH THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN RECOVERY FUNDING	Recovery Plan		*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Scott Miller 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes – 2 (Schwochow absent)
	2021 - 266 APPROVING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION TO RESCUE PLAN FUND CAPITAL OUTLAY (\$5683,217.50) FOR PROJECT INVOICES	Rescue Plan	\$5,683,217.50	*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Scott Miller 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes – 2 (Schwochow absent)
	2021 - 267 APPROVING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION TO VARIOUS DITCHFUNDS TO TRANSFER ACCOUNT AND FUND TRANSFER TO DITCH ROTARY FUND TO REPAY START UP COSTS	Various Ditch Funds		*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Scott Miller 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes – 2 (Schwochow absent)
	2021 - 268 APPROVING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION TO COUNTYWIDE BENEFITS (\$500,000.00) FOR INSURANCE INVOICES	Countywide	\$500,000.00	*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: Scott Miller 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes – 2 (Schwochow absent)
Public Open Session	Citizens Attendees – none Media Attendees – Tom Fullen - Eagle 99, Craig Shoup – News Messenger Elected Officials – none			
Poggemeyer Design Group	Greg Telecky was asked to come in to talk to the Commissioners about County projects. Ron Hiser, Facility Management Director, also attended. One of the items was to catch up on the Capital Funding application for the jail project and breaking out some of the Better Building Projects. The application was submitted and Greg was able to talk to someone about the applications. They received 52 applications for about \$450M in cost. They look to make notifications of the awards in the next week or two. It is difficult because they were all worthy projects. This will be great information to use towards the HB 101 decision. Greg	Greg Telecky – Poggemeyer Design Group Ron Hiser - Director		

	did talk about the possibility of building a new jail and if that was even practical. The other item was to pull together several North West Counties and form a group to talk to the legislators regarding HB 101. There was discussion on pulling out the ventilation and HVAC projects form the Better Building to put in the recovery funding and using those funds for other projects that we need funding.			
Prosecutor	*** Beth Tischler called and was unable to attend.			
Sanitary Engineer	Steve asked to come in to present some numbers for projects that may be eligible for the recovery funding. His Trainee, Bryan Bailey, came in with him. Steve presented a packet with projects and estimates for review. The Commissioner's will look at the list and highlight those that they would consider funding.	Steve Shiets - Sanitary Engineer Bryan Bailey – Sanitary Engineer Trainee		
* Adjournment (am)	With business completed for the day the meeting was adjourned.			* Motion: Move to adjourn Moved by: Scott Miller 2nd: Russ Zimmerman Yes – 2 (Schwochow absent)

Signature of:


 Russ Zimmerman, President


 Scott Miller, Vice President

Absent
 Charles Schwochow

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

Attachment A

August Commissioner's Agenda

8/12/21

I. **Placement Costs –**

- a. County costs continue to remain steady, but will still be less than last year from county. Monthly requests have averaged around \$70k.
 - i. Invoicing for costs only and not the average rate mandated by state has saved this year: \$284,790.75
- b. **Current custody: 32 (34 last month)**
 - i. One child adopted and one child custody went to a kin care provider.
 - ii. 30 days to family work continues.
- c. Director's workgroups- placement costs, and treatment foster care work continues. Moving forward with the treatment foster care program as a tri-county collab, this may mean a shared position to run this program. Continuing to work on rising placement costs and as much as we can to keep costs down.

II. **Building status**

- a. Covid: Monday, we are going to mask up the staff. Earlier this week required CS and CC staff to mask in homes.
- b. Administration did a tour of probation
- c. Sidewalks poured, Children Services staff are so excited and very thankful for that sidewalk!

III. **Budget**

- a. Staffing –
 - i. Positions are being filled, upskilling our staff
 - ii. Although continue within our budget, things continue to be tight. One thing we have been hassling with is the state procurement process restricting us in purchasing a vehicle.
- b. Family first preservation services act requires after care services, and comprehensive assessments every 90 days of children in group home or residential placement, in addition to court hearings for approval. This is all new and should start October 1 with new requirements. Worry about the additional requirements on staff.

IV. **Other**

- a. Placement discussion August 19 @ 11

