

Sandusky County Commissioners – 622 Croghan Street, Fremont, OH 43420

MEETING 2021

Meeting: Board Of Commissioners

Location: Commissioners' Board Room

Date: 9/9/2021

Time: 8:00AM 12:14PM

Present: Commissioners: Russ Zimmerman President; Scott Miller V-President; Charles Schwochow

Present: Theresa Garcia; County Administrator

Others Present: Melanie Allen,

(*action items)

AGENDA ITEMS	BRIEF DESCRIPTIONS / ACTION STEPS:	PERSON RESPONSIBLE:	DOLLAR AMOUNT:	MOTION / VOTE
Call to Order Pledge of Allegiance (8:00am)		Russ Zimmerman, President		
*Review & Approval of Commissioner Meeting Minutes, incoming Mail Review & External Meeting Notices	The 9/7/2021 minutes were reviewed/approved by the Board. The Board reviewed incoming mail and external meeting notices.	Russ Zimmerman Scott Miller Charles Schwochow		*Motion: Move to Approve minutes Moved by: Scott Miller 2nd: Charles Schwochow Yes – 3
Job and Family Services	Melanie Allen – DJFS. Melanie came in for her regular meeting with the Commissioners. See attachment A for agenda items. Placement costs remain steady. They are still invoicing for current costs and are running under last year. Thirty days to family is still working and they are using this on some of the older cases too. Melanie is still working with the Director workgroups regarding rising costs. She is hoping to get the Treatment Foster Care Program approved by the end of the year. Melanie had two staff members come in to show the Commissioners the new virtual reality goggles used for training. This piece of equipment is an amazing piece of equipment. It virtually takes you through a home and it is interactive. The Commissioners all took a turn participating in a short part of the training. October is the "In Their Shoes" campaign. They will invite officials to come in and use this training tool.	Melanie Allen - Director		

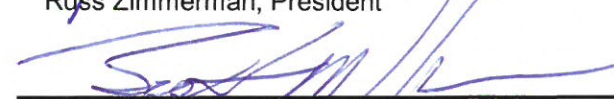
	<p>Melanie asked to enter executive session to discuss personnel matters regarding complaints against a public employee official, licensee, or regulated individual.</p> <p>At 10:00am Commissioner Zimmerman asked for a motion to enter executive session to discuss personnel matters regarding complaints against a public employee official, licensee, or regulated individual.</p> <p>At 10:28am Commissioners exited executive session.</p>			<p>*Motion: Move to enter executive session Moved by: Scott Miller 2nd: Charles Schwochow Yes – 3</p> <p>*Motion: Move to exit executive session Moved by: Charles Schwochow 2nd: Scott Miller Yes – 3</p>
Review of External board / Meetings Attended by Commissioners	Commissioner miller attended two Township Trustee meetings and there was a discussion on residential building code. Commissioner Miller noted there is nothing in writing or decision made on this subject. There will be public meetings on the subject.	Scott Miller		
* Then /Now Documents	None			
* Personnel	None			
* Travel Requests	None			
* Resolutions	2021 - 298 APPROVING APPROPRIATIN TRANSFER FOR JJC FROM CONTRACT SERVICES TO SUPPLIES (\$10,000.00) FOR YEAR END EXPENSES	JJC	\$10,000.00	*Motion: Move to Approve resolution Moved by: 2nd: Yes – 3
Health Department	Bethany Brown – Health Department. Bethany came in with Bryleigh Wolf to review their rescue plan funding requests with the Commissioners. The Commissioners reviewed the documents and will make decisions on how much of the request would be approved.	Bethany Brown – Health Commissioner		
Prosecutor	Beth Tischler – Prosecutor. Beth came in for her regular meeting with the Commissioners. Beth has a staff member off on medical. She has several county employees willing to donate sick time as her situation qualifies as a catastrophic leave. Beth talked about the Criminal Justice Levy that will be on the ballot in	Beth Tischler - Prosecutor		

	November. This levy helps fund the Drug Task Force. Beth was asked about the transfer of funds from the Law Library Board. Commissioner Miller asked how she is doing on space. She is working well with what she has at this time. She is working with Townships where needed.			
Public Open Session	Citizens Attendees – none Media Attendees – none Elected Officials – Beth Tischler, Prosecutor			
* Adjournment (12:14pm)	With business completed for the day the meeting was adjourned.			* Motion: Move to adjourn Moved by: Scott Miller 2nd: Charles Schwochow Yes - 3

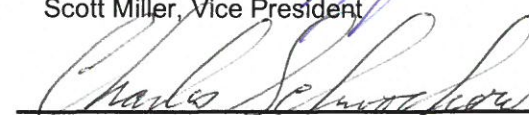
Signature of:



Russ Zimmerman, President

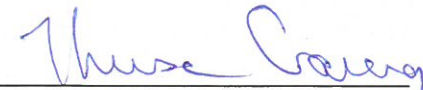


Scott Miller, Vice President



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

9/9/21

I. **Virtual Reality demonstration**

II. **Placement Costs –**

- a. County costs continue to remain steady, rising costs continues to stay on the radar.
 - i. County savings since May of 2020: \$284,790.75
- b. **Current custody: 32 (32 last month)**
 - i. 30 days to family continues, expanded eligibility on cases.
- c. Director's workgroups- regarding rising placement costs
- d. Treatment Foster Care, hoping to have an approved tri-county program by the end of the year. Will need a shared position to run this program.

III. **Building status**

- a. No major building issues to report.

IV. **Budget**

- a. Staffing –
 - i. Close to fully staffed, some overtime, but managing pretty well.
- b. Changes regarding family first preservation services act, comprehensive assessments, and family find requirements – lots of additional work for casework staff.

