

# MINUTES

## BOARD OF ALLEN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Board of Allen County Commissioners will be in session  
Tuesday and Thursday and adjourn upon completion of business

<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>GENERAL SESSION</b>
<b>DATE</b>	<b>May 10, 2022</b>
<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>COMMISSIONER'S MEETING ROOM</b>
	<p><b>** The Commissioner's office will be open for in-person meetings. Social distancing requirements shall still be maintained.</b></p> <p><b>Allen County residents may also join the meeting from a computer, tablet or smartphone.</b></p> <p><b><a href="https://www.gotomeet.me/AllenCountyCommissioners">https://www.gotomeet.me/AllenCountyCommissioners</a></b></p> <p><b>You can also dial in using your phone.</b>  <b>United States (Toll Free): 1 866 899 4679</b>  <b>United States: +1 (571) 317-3116</b></p> <p><b>Access Code: 606-059-605</b></p>
	<p><b>PRESENT: Beth Seibert</b>  <b>Cory Noonan (VIRTUAL)</b>  <b>Brian Winegardner</b></p>
<b>TIME:</b>	<b>GENERAL SESSION – RECORDED</b>
<b>8:04 a.m.</b>	<p><b>Public Defender's Office re: Caseload and Contractual Attorneys</b></p> <p><b>Kenny Sturgill and Joe Patton</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Review of January and February Costs</b></li> <li>• <b>Discussion on having an attorney on staff capable of handling domestic abuse/child neglect cases for court appointed attorney cases</b>  -<b>there has been interest expressed by Judge Kohlrieser and Judge Staley for this</b></li> <li>• <b>Review of reimbursements in 2022 for Public Defender's office provided by the Auditor's office</b></li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Staffing needs-having another attorney would lower contractual fees by approximately 20% because Public Defender's office still would only be able to represent one party in each case</b></li>   <li>• <b>Commissioner Noonan asked Kenny Sturgill to review spreadsheet from the Auditor's office and compare with his caseload for budgetary purposes</b> -Kenny will report back with an estimate</li> <li>• <b>Commissioner Noonan will keep Kenny abreast of State Public Defender and CCAO discussion regarding Public Defender offices</b></li> </ul>
8:48 p.m.	RECESS
9:05 a.m.	<p><b>AEDG re: Tax Abatement</b></p> <p><b>Dave Stratton, Cindy Leis, John Shaver</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dave Stratton provided a review of potential expansion project at Procter &amp; Gamble</b></li> <li>• <b>Discussion on requested tax abatement for Procter and Gamble</b> -provided a description of the lengthy process and provided the three entities involved for approval: Bath School Board (Passed on April 19, 2022), Bath Township Trustees (Passed on May 3, 2022) and now presenting to the Commissioners for approval</li> <li>• <b>Requesting a 75% tax abatement for 15 years for Procter &amp; Gamble</b> -tax abatement only pertains to the market value of the additional facility; any property tax on existing property is not affected</li> <li>• <b>Discussion on proposed Procter &amp; Gamble expansion</b> -7% of total company products comes from Lima facility -\$500 million capital investment -creating 135 jobs Hundreds of thousands dollars going back into the county, Bath Schools and Bath Township even with the tax abatement -there are a few incentives to obtain but Procter &amp; Gamble is confident that Procter &amp; Gamble will be in favor of this expansion</li> </ul> <p><b>Resolution #318-22.</b> Resolution authorizing and directing the President of the Board of Commissioners, Allen County, Ohio, to enter into an Enterprise Zone Agreement with the Procter &amp; Gamble Manufacturing Company. <b>Commissioner Winegardner moved for approval. Motion seconded by Commissioner Seibert. The roll was called and the resolution was approved unanimously.</b></p>
9:25 a.m.	RECESS

9:40 a.m.

**Staff Update**

**Kelli Singhaus—**

- **Working with Webb Insurance on bond for Clerk of Courts to become a Watercraft Agent**
- **Amy Hoffman, Palmer Energy**
  - Van Wert and Elida have both passed Natural Gas Aggregation on the ballot
  - Brittany will set a meeting with Amy to discuss county Natural Gas Aggregation
- **Dispatch contracts and letters have been prepared and sent to the board for review**
  - Kayla Campbell, Assistant Prosecutor, has reviewed
  - Discussed Tom's Draft and Kayla's note
  - Kelli will revise and send to board for final review before sending out
- **Discussion on those not current with the current dispatching invoices—Kelli will send an invoice to those entities**
- **Provided an update on Enterprise Lease vehicles**
  - two vehicles are ready to be delivered to Juvenile Court—will let Berlin know
  - still working on Assignment Agreement to sell our current vehicles—meeting tomorrow with Enterprise
- **Discussion on Bricker & Eckler response for bidding process of projects with ARPA funds**
  - can enter into separate contracts for each building or also bid for all buildings with one contract
  - discussion on Clerk of Courts request of permanent barriers
- **General discussion on ARPA fund process**
  - all need to be on board with how the process works moving forward
- **Discussion on prevailing wage—Need to pass a resolution to authorize Kelli to do this**

**Brittany Woods—**

- **Safety Council will be returning to in-person beginning in July**
  - Sofia Snyder or another county department representative will attend
- **Discussion on resolutions for the Commissioner's office staff new positions –Brittany will work on these**

**Beth Seibert—**

- **Discussion on invoice received from Chamber of Commerce for We Are Real American**
  - Beth continuing to research and Cory will discuss with Dave Stratton
- **Provided Sarah Newland a copy of the 2008 MOU for Children Services building**
  - painting is to be completed by Children Services

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Children Services Board vacancies— three potential individuals to appoint to Children Services Board</b> -potential interviews to be scheduled at a later date</li> <li>• <b>Port Authority Board vacancy—received a letter from Eric Pohjala with an interest to be added to the board</b> -concern of conflict with him already serving on the Allen Economic Development Group Board -Cory will discuss with Dave Stratton if there is a concern of conflict</li> <li>• <b>Steve Montgomery has requested a Memorial Day Proclamation for Veterans</b> -Brittany will prepare</li> <li>• <b>Discussion on Access Management Board</b> -next Township Association meeting in June 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve three trustees to serve on Access Management Board -the following Thursday, Board of Commissioners can take action to approve the entire committee board members</li> </ul>
10:52 a.m.	<b>RECESS</b>
2:03 p.m.	<p><b>Brion Rhodes and Kayla Campbell—DRUMA Discussion</b></p> <p><b>Brion Rhodes and Kayla Campbell</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Kayla provided on meetings that her and Brion Rhodes have attended with Birch Solar</b></li> <li>• <b>Review of Birch Solar Project and potential DRUMA agreement</b></li> <li>• <b>Kayla provided information to Commissioner Seibert, Commissioner Winegardner and Brion Rhodes on the conversation herself and Commissioner Noonan had with the Power Siting Board in regards on a RUMA and DRUMA</b></li> <li>• <b>Discussion on concerns if not entering into some sort of agreement prior to the May 18<sup>th</sup> evidentiary hearing for Birch Solar</b> -if we don't act prior to the hearings, we could miss out on the drainage protection offered through a DRUMA</li> <li>• <b>General discussion on a potential DRUMA and concerns for road way right-of-ways</b></li> <li>• <b>Commissioners ask Kayla to reach out to BP Lightsource and express our drainage concerns, as well as our roadway concerns</b></li> <li>• <b>Kayla and Commissioner Winegardner both advocate for a DRUMA versus a RUMA; to include drainage, not just roadways and not to separate out into two different agreements</b></li> <li>• <b>Brion Rhodes asked to press for bond/escrow account verse letter of credit in the agreement—possibly a progressional bonded amounts</b></li> <li>• <b>Commissioner Noonan noted that road use will have progressional demands overtime</b></li> </ul>

-road use will need addressed between initial construction and decommissioning


- Kayla will incorporate the changes discussed today and reach out to BP Lightsource
- Will meet again on May 12<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m. for primary purpose of road use management portion of agreement

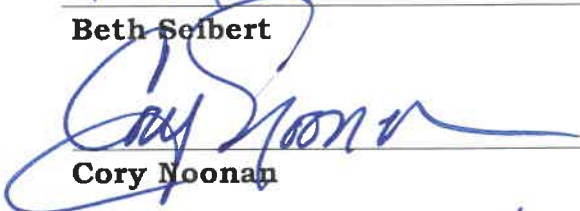
4:25 p.m.

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Submitted by:   
Brittany N. Woods, Clerk

Approved by: Board of Allen County Commissioners

  
Beth Seibert

  
Cory Noonan

  
Brian Winegardner