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Board of Allen County Commissioners will be in session

Tuesday and Thursday upon completion of business

DESCRIPTION	SPECIAL SESSION
DATE	December 20, 2023
LOCATION	COMMISSIONER'S MEETING ROOM
	<p>** The Commissioner's office will be open for in-person meetings. Social distancing requirements shall still be maintained.</p> <p>Allen County residents may also join the meeting from a computer, tablet or smartphone.</p> <p>https://www.gotomeet.me/AllenCountyCommissioners</p> <p>You can also dial in using your phone. United States (Toll Free): 1 866 899 4679 United States: +1 (571) 317-3116</p> <p>Access Code: 606-059-605</p> <p>PRESENT: Brian Winegardner Beth Seibert Cory Noonan</p>
TIME:	GENERAL SESSION - RECORDED
7:30 a.m.	<p>Budget Meeting with Elected Officials - 4th Floor Courtroom—Allen County Courthouse, 301 N. Main Street, Lima, OH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioner Seibert opened the meeting by thanking everyone for the team effort in generating the budget • 2024 Draft Budget is \$36,970,971.00 -27th pay has not been included in the draft budget, it will be populated into salaries in December 2024

- Commissioner Noonan reiterated the great team that Allen County has and noted that the Commissioners Office is door is always open to discuss the budget
- Discussion on Budget Commission and the work they have done on providing numbers for 2024 budget
- Discussion on the great work of employees on being able to keep 2024 Health Insurance increase low at a 1.3% increase rather than 6.7% the prior year
- Commissioner Winegardner discussed salary increases for 2024
 - there was an equitable increase in 2023
 - there will be an increase to salary lines in the amount of approximately \$244,000.00
 - calculated at \$0.50/hour per employee for non-union positions
- Auditor Gilroy provided accounting reminders for end of year business and beginning of year business for 2024
- Salary increases will not be effective for payroll until employee maintenance forms are provided to the Auditor's office for processing
- Kelli Singhaus provided a copy of the draft budget to all attendees

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7:43 a.m.

Sediment and Erosion Control Discussion – Joe Gearing, Nathan Davis, Marcus VanMeter and Brion Rhodes

9:01 a.m.

- Joe Gearing provided an overview of revisions to the Stormwater Management & Sediment Control Regulations
- Joe Gearing provided clarification of requirements inside the MS4 and outside of the MS4
- Discussion on areas that are stricter in Stormwater Design Manual than Ohio EPA requirements to minimize and prevent flooding
- discussion on exempted areas of the MS4
- Discussion on revisions to the Stormwater Management & Sediment Control Regulations section 1.3.1
- General discussion of the inclusion of townships being covered under the regulations
 - Commissioner Noonan would like to see resolutions from Township Trustees, approving and accepting these regulations for their Township

- Commissioner Seibert sent the proposed revised document to all Township Trustees and fiscal agents for their review, and no consternation was expressed
- Commissioners agree a resolution is not needed, but Commissioner Seibert will reiterate the acceptance of these regulations within their townships
- Discussion on utilizing a local firm/consultant for review of regulations and plans rather than an outside firm/consultant
- currently using Richland Engineering out of Mansfield

10:13 a.m.

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10:46 a.m.

County Projects Discussion

- Borings will be scheduled by WDC Group soon to be completed at the Administration Building site
- WDC Group is working on amending the current agreement with the Commissioners to include the delivery method of Design-Bid-Build and for WDC Group to prepare bid specifications and documents for the Administration Building Project
- Discussion on furnishings for the future Administration Building
- Veterans Garage proposals will be on the agenda for tomorrow to reject the received proposals due to being more than 20% over the estimate
- Discussion on possible alternative locations for the Veterans Garage
- waiting to hear back from the Veterans Commission on their thoughts on location options
- Commissioner Noonan had conversation with Vicki Tarr on the Commissioners requesting funds from the State Capital for renovation of the current Child Support Enforcement Agency
- also discussed that the renovation will include one elevator rather than he current two
- Discussion on timeline of projects
- The Commissioners asked Brittany Woods to schedule a meeting with the department heads and Elected Officials that will be moving into the Administration Building to provide an update on the project
- Discussion on Administration Building Project budget

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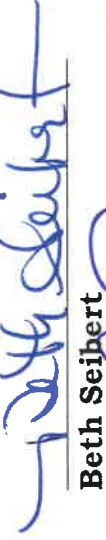
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Submitted by:


Brittany N. Woods, Clerk

Approved by: Board of Allen County Commissioners


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