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Board of Allen County Commissioners will be in session

Tuesday and Thursday and adjourn upon completion of business

DESCRIPTION	GENERAL SESSION
DATE	January 16, 2024
LOCATION	COMMISSIONER'S MEETING ROOM
	<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): <u>1 866 899 4679</u></b>  <b>United States: <u>+1 (571) 317-3116</u></b></p> <p><b>Access Code: 606-059-605</b></p>
TIME:	GENERAL SESSION - RECORDED
8:31 a.m.	<p><b>Civic Center Board Appointment Interview-Tim Sielschott</b></p> <p><b>- Beth Seibert provided an overview regarding Civic Center Board.</b></p> <p><b>-Tim Seilschott provided his introductions and an overview regarding his perspectives on the Civic Center.</b></p> <p><b>-Provided discussion regarding the roll the Civic</b></p>

	<p><b>Center plays in our community.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>-6 of the 11 Board members must be Veterans.</b></li> <li><b>-Discussion over time commitment and availability for the Civic Center Board meetings.</b></li> <li><b>-Discussion over the roll each Board member plays on the Civic Center Board.</b></li> <li><b>-The Board of Commissioners expressed their expectations for the Civic Center Board members who they appoint.</b></li> <li><b>-Discussion over the operation of the Civic Center and the funding the Civic Center receives.</b></li> <li><b>-Discussion over the process of appointing Board members to the Civic Center Board.</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>9:13 a.m.</b></p>	<p><b>RECESS</b></p>
<p><b>9:25 a.m.</b></p>	<p><b>Staff Update</b></p> <p><b>Kelli Singhaus -</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>- On behalf of Sofia Clifton, there will be a valentine dinner at MacDonell House at a cost of \$100.00 per couple. This is sponsored thru the Historical Society.</b></li> <li><b>- On behalf of Sofia Clifton, request from Lima Senior to utilize students at the Civic Center for the theatre department. Commissioners questioned on whether we can work with the school as it relates to liability insurance?</b></li> <li><b>- Allen County was named as a party in Lorain County for complaint for collection of delinquent taxes, assessments, foreclosure and equitable relief as it relates to Mercy Health bond issuance. Spoke with Reggie Staples at Dinsmore Shohl and he believes he can represent Allen County.</b></li> <li><b>- Received email from Bricker &amp; Graydon as it relates to Uniform Guidance Policy. Bricker &amp; Graydon can review and conform said policy for an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00. Training can be provided in-person or virtual. Kelli Singhaus to find out cost. It was expressed that Auditor's office should be involved.</b></li> <li><b>- AhelioTech was able to get the Commissioner's website transitioned over successfully. Still</b></li> </ul>

waiting to hear from Greg Gross on the other websites.

**Cory Noonan -**

- **Worked with Kelli Singhaus on Friday on an Auditor request for the Portable Prover and Trailer.**
- **Discussion regarding Jason Patchet's notes on jail survey for CCAO. Provided Brian Winegardner a copy of same for review.**

**Brian Winegardner -**

- **Discussion regarding April 8<sup>th</sup> eclipse. Concerned about employees on the road. Would reduce additional traffic. Commissioner Noonan stated some operations cannot close. Commissioner Seibert stated that they would need to compensate those that had to work. Commissioner Noonan stated that if any office wants to close, they can close. Kelli Singhaus will schedule Tom Berger in to discuss.**
- **Had a conversation with Tom Berger as it relates to the 911 Committee. Commissioner Winegardner wants to meet with the Sheriff's office this week to discuss as the committee has to be formed by March 1.**
- **Meeting with Troy Elwer at the Fairgrounds today.**

**Beth Seibert -**

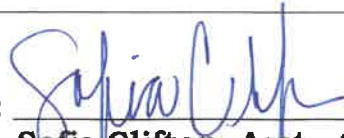
- **Per conversation with Jed Metzger yesterday, he will be reaching out to schedule a discussion group regarding Breese Road interchange. Commissioner Noonan will be representative for the Commissioner's office based on prior involvement.**
- **Asked Commissioner Noonan if he had sent updated Retire/Rehire MOU to Joe Patton**

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Discussion regarding Jacob Larger's increase at DJFS. Increase will be placed on agenda next week and will be effective January 25, 2024.</li> <li>- Sanitary Engineer's employee retire/rehire resolution will be on agenda this Thursday.</li> <li>- Received post card for February 2, 2024 Lima Aquatics groundbreaking. Commissioner Seibert not planning to attend.</li> <li>- Commissioner Seibert noted that she will be unable to attend next Monday evening's City Council meeting on the alley vacation.</li> <li>- Discussion regarding calls received as it relates to Electric Aggregation – transfer from Energy Harbor to Dynegy. Commissioner Siebert believes the problem is beyond what is being heard. Commissioners agreed to Amy Hoffman of Palmer Energy needs to contact media to make Allen County citizens aware.</li> <li>- Discussion regarding candidates that were interviewed for the opening on the Civic Center board. Commissioners in favor of Tim Sielschott. Will place on agenda next Thursday agenda.</li> <li>- There will be a resolution Thursday for an MOU with GLCAP as it relates to the Lead Safe Ohio Grant.</li> <li>- Commissioners will be meeting with Troy Elwer at the Fairgrounds on Friday.</li> <li>- Judge Terri Kohlrieser reached out yesterday on what the Commissioners plan to do as it relates to closing offices on April 8<sup>th</sup> for the solar eclipse.</li> </ul>
11:12 a.m.	<b>RECESS</b>
11:22 a.m.	<b>County Projects Discussion</b>  <b>Kelli Singhaus –</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Received communication from WDC on last weeks soil borings that were performed. Should receive reports in the next few days.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Received communication on Contract Amendment #3 with WDC. WDC accepted our amendment changes to the contract. Revised proposal for the administration building is \$16,846,840.38 (same amount quoted on December 13, 2023).</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Commissioner Noonan -</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Waiting on rendering from WDC. Once rendering is received, Commissioners need to approve and then meet with Elected Officials and Department Heads.</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Brian Winegardner -</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Spoke with Auditor regarding the Land Bank property that was to be used for the Veteran's Garage. Auditor prefers to leave in the Commissioners name. Can be used for staging area for projects.</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Cory Noonan -</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Submitted capital projects to the State of Ohio. CSEA has potential temporary location during renovation.</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Brian Winegardner -</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Spoke to Jason Patchet regarding Jail Survey from CCAO/BSSA. He feels state is trying to push a multi-county facility. Commissioners discussed in depth about the report that is submitted to the State.</b></li> </ul>
<b>11:52 a.m.</b>	<b>RECESS</b>
<b>1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Public Hearing-CDBG Allocation-Harrod Project</b>

	<p><b>Present:</b> <b>Craig Mescher</b> <b>Brice Schmitmeyer</b> <b>Tara Reynolds Bales</b> <b>Rebecca Phillips</b> <b>Brian Winegardner</b> <b>Beth Seibert</b> <b>Cory Noonan</b> <b>Sofia Clifton</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- \$175,000 dollars to cover areas in Harrod, OH to be reconstructed for the Project.</li><li>- Discussion over grant funding for Harrod.</li><li>- Bid documents are ready to go for the Project.</li><li>- This would be a 1-week construction Project.</li><li>- Completion day would be August 31st, 2024 and 1 month after to close the grant.</li><li>- This will be an amendment process. RPC has worked with the Prosecutor's Office to ensure they have met every legal requirement.</li><li>- Discussion regarding how the Resolution will be handled.</li><li>- RPC will be typing the drafted amended resolution and BOC/Prosecutor's Office will review said document.</li></ul>
<b>1:14 p.m.</b>	<b>ADJOURN</b>

Submitted by:

  
Sofia Clifton, Asst. Clerk

Approved by: Board of Allen County Commissioners

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