# 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

DESCRIPTION	GENERAL SESSION
DATE	June 11, 2024
LOCATION	COMMISSIONER'S MEETING ROOM
	** The Commissioner's office will be open for in-person meetings. Social distancing requirements shall still be maintained.
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	Access Code: 606-059-605
	PRESENT: Cory Noonan Brian Winegardner Beth Seibert
TIME:	GENERAL SESSION - RECORDED
8:30 a.m.	Budget Discussion - Joe Patton and Josh Parker
	<ul> <li>Josh Parker provided an overview of the Public Assistance Revenue Report</li> <li>Discussion on funding received from incentives/rewards for meeting metrics, which needs to be spent by the end of June -Joe Patton proposed a bonus of \$750.00 for Full Time employees (prorated for employees with less than one (1) year of service) -discussion on retention and employees leaving due to other organizations offering remote</li> </ul>

working -75% of Department of Job and Family Services offer the option of working remotely • Discussion on Department of Job and Family Services will be paying a portion of the employees' insurance due to an increase in premium beginning July 1st for six (6) months • Commissioners ask that Joe Patton and Josh Parker look into if a portion of the bonus can go towards PERS -they will let the Commissioners know what they determine 9:03 a.m. RECESS 9:09 a.m. Staff Update Kayla Rogers— • Discussion and review of Modification Agreement #2 with Liberty Retirement for a decrease in bed leases -Liberty Retirements would like to relinquish 7 additional back to the State, with monthly payment to the county remaining the same at \$13.848.93 -Commissioners ask Kayla Rogers to inquire with Liberty Retirement if they would be comfortable adding an additional Five (5) year cycle to the agreement -Brittany Woods will plan to have on the agenda for approval once information is received from Liberty Retirement • Discussion on payment of Settlement Agreement for Common Pleas former employee -discussion on which fund the settlement payment should be made from -Kelli Singhaus will move funds from Contingency to Common Pleas-Sundry fund for payment to be processed Sofia Clifton- Discussion on Motor Vehicle Reports(MVR) for Board of Developmental Disabilities—determined there was a missing MVR for an individual -it was determined that said individual is contracted through Lima Memorial that has been driving a county vehicle -CORSA has stated that non-county individuals are not to drive county vehicles and would not be covered

# Kelli Singhaus—

- Julie Shellhammer will be in for her Quarterly Update today and will be discussing Office Hours
- Provided an updated listing on Capital Project requests
  - -review and discussion on requests

# **Brittany Woods**—

- Received a request from the Allen County Genealogical Society for a proclamation for their Annual Societies' Reunion and Recognition Ceremony
  - -event will be held Saturday, July 20th at 1:30 p.m.
  - -Brittany Woods will prepare a proclamation for the event and Beth Seibert will plan to present the proclamation

# Brian Winegardner—

Discussion on the military and EMA trucks

 it is believed that the Hummers can not be gotten rid of yet, per agreement but will look into the agreement to verify
 Ford Ranger and 1-Ton Military truck are able to be placed on GovDeals to be sold and the EMA truck can be utilized by the Sheriff's Office and EMA

#### Beth Seibert—

 Discussion on Public Defenders Board and possible conflict of interest with Joe Patton being on the Board due to him as Director of Department of Job and Family Services

	<ul> <li>-Kenneth Sturgill is working on getting direction from the State Public Defenders Office</li> <li>Notified Sarah Newland, Children Services, that the Commissioners encourage Tiffany Ward to join Board meetings until Ms. Provaznik leaves the Board and then could be potentially appointed at that time</li> <li>Provided an update on Lead Safe Grant</li> <li>Troy Elwer, Fairgrounds, plans to discuss responsibility of building maintenance at the fairgrounds during his upcoming Update Meeting</li> <li>Provided an update on OneOhio Region 15 review of local applications and process for determining what applications are submitted to the State</li> <li>Attended the opening event for Spring and Main last weekend</li> <li>-will be opening June 24th for business</li> </ul>
10:35 a.m.	RECESS
10:45 a.m.	<ul> <li>Commissioners received communication from Jared Gesler, accepting the position offered of EMA Director</li> <li>Resolution #479-24. Approve the employment of Jared Gesler to the position of Director at the Allen County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency. Commissioner Seibert moved for approval. Motion seconded by Commissioner Winegardner. The roll was called and the resolution was approved unanimously.</li> <li>Commissioners expressed their confidence in Jared Gesler and his capability of taking on this position</li> <li>Jared Gesler thanked his family, Commissioners and mentors for the opportunity</li> <li>Brian Winegardner delivered the oath of office to Jared Gesler</li> </ul>
10:53 a.m.	RECESS
11:05 a.m.	County Projects Discussion  Abe Ambroza joined the meeting to discuss Capital Projects at the Civic Center

- Discussion on broken elevator and costs of repairs at the Civic Center located off of the parking garage skywalk

   determined that the broken elevator
  - -it has been determined that the broken elevator is not a required elevator to be ADA compliant -discussion on designating additional handicap parking on the first floor of the parking garage -Abe Ambroza provided discussion on the necessity of the elevator for visitors of the Civic Center—guests expect to be able to utilize the elevator
- Discussion on possibility of the Civic Center helping financially with the repairs for the elevator and bathroom renovations -once new quote for repair is received, Abe Ambroza and Commissioners will further discuss
- General discussion on projects the Civic Center would like to do in the future
- General discussion on current projects in process

### 11:29 a.m. RECESS

# 1:02 p.m. Dog Warden Quarterly Update – Julie Shellhammer and Kelli Singhaus

- Provided an overview on office statistics -Dog licenses are on target for the year
- Has advertisements for Deputy and Kennel Technicians positions
- Discussion on termination of Kennel Technician -individual was bitten and had a drug screen completed, which came back positive -individual was going to quit with a two (2) week notice, but due to the positive drug screen Julie Shellhammer terminated said employee and resolution for same will be on Thursday's agenda
- Provided an update on applicants/interviews for open positions—no candidates to hire yet
- Provided an update on facilities

   discussion on new Database Kayla Rogers is
   reviewing prior to entering into contract
   -kennel roof is off and project for outdoor kennels
   is underway
- Discussion on quarantining dogs that have bitten for ten (10) days to monitor behavior
   -after ten (10) days it is determined if the dog is returned to the owner or euthanized
   -Julie Shellhammer will look into if it is the Dog Warden's responsibility for her to house
   quarantined dogs

	<ul> <li>-discussion on possibility of the Health Department being responsible for the costs of quarantining</li> <li>General discussion on office hours for the Dog Warden's Office</li> <li>-Julie Shellhammer will plan to send letters to all law enforcement agencies that there will no longer be a staff member on call but would be available by phone for questions and/or emergencies if a person is available to respond</li> </ul>
2:18 p.m.	ADJOURN
	Submitted by: Brittany N. Woods, Clerk
	Approved by: Board of Allen County Commissioners  Cory Noonal
	Brian Winegardner  Beth Seibert