

# MINUTES

## BOARD OF ALLEN COUNTY

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Board of Allen County Commissioners will be in session

Tuesday and Thursday and adjourn upon completion of business

DESCRIPTION	SPECIAL SESSION
<b>DATE</b>	<b>December 6, 2021</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): <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>
	<p><b>PRESENT: Cory Noonan</b>  <b>Brian Winegardner</b>  <b>Beth Seibert</b></p>
<b>TIME:</b>	<b>GENERAL SESSION – RECORDED</b>
<b>9:05 a.m.</b>	<p><b>2022 Budget Discussion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>2022 budget update</b></li> <li>• <b>Commissioner Winegardner gave praise for Commissioner Noonan and Susan Wildermuth for their hard work on preparing the 2022 budget</b></li> <li>• <b>Discussed areas needed to be corrected prior to the December 16<sup>th</sup> meeting with Department Heads and Elected Officials.</b></li> <li>• <b>Discussed new retirement/severance pay and 27<sup>th</sup> pay funds.</b></li> </ul>

	<p><b>Commissioner Winegardner moved at 9:15 a.m. to go into Executive Session pursuant to ORC 121.22(G)(1) to discuss employee compensation. Motion seconded by Commissioner Seibert. The roll was called and approved unanimously.</b></p> <p><b>The Board of Allen County Commissioners went back into general session at 10:07 a.m. No decisions were made during executive session due to continuing work on the 2022 budget and the Board of Commissioners would like to see the Budget Commissions numbers before making any decisions.</b></p> <p><b>Decided to take a brief recess, and reconvene after Commissioner Noonan was finished with a phone call.</b></p>
<b>10:08 a.m.</b>	<b>RECESS</b>
<b>10:17 a.m.</b>	<p><b>2022 Budget Discussion Continued</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>General discussion on Department requests for 2022</b> -Will continue conversation on this</li> <li>• <b>Discussion on salary increases for General Fund employees for 2022</b> -Will have Susan work on potential increase amounts and report numbers back to the Commissioners</li> </ul>
<b>10:42 a.m.</b>	<b>RECESS</b>
<b>11:02 a.m.</b>	<p><b>Juergen Waldick, Kayla Campbell and Teresa Grigsby re: Pending Litigation</b></p> <p><b>Commissioner Seibert moved at 11:03 a.m. to go into Executive Session pursuant to ORC 121.22(G)(3) to discuss pending litigation. Motion seconded by Commissioner Winegardner. The roll was called and approved unanimously.</b></p> <p><b>The Board of Allen County Commissioners went back into general session at 11:18 a.m. No action was taken.</b></p>
<b>11:19 a.m.</b>	<b>RECESS</b>
<b>3:04 p.m.</b>	<p><b>Dispatch Meeting</b></p> <p><b>In attendance—</b></p> <p><b>American Township:</b> Larry Vandemark, Fire Chief Hadding, Police Chief Haines  <b>Bath Township:</b> Brad Baxter, Fire Chief Kitchen  <b>Beaverdam/Richland:</b> Rod Goldsberry  <b>Bluffton:</b> Fire Chief Kinn, Police Lt. Oglesbee, EMS Chief Basinger, Mayor Rich Johnson  <b>Cairo:</b> No one present  <b>Delphos:</b> Jamie MeHaffie, Fire Chief Probst  <b>Harrod:</b> Lyle Dray, Fire Department  <b>Lafayette/Jackson:</b> Randy Ackerman</p>

**Perry:** Police Chief Bob Phillips, Fire Chief Justin Roberts, and Trustees Norm Capps, Kevn Cox and Greg Kessen

**Spencerville Fire Department/Village:** Police Chief Kyle Miller

**Westminster:** No one present

**Elida:** Mayor Claude Paxton

**OSU Lima:** Dean Tim Rehner, Sgt. Tony Swygart

**JAMPD:** Director Tyler Black, Chief Ben Altenbach

**Marion Township:** Jerry Gilden

**Allen County Sheriff's Office:** Chief Mohler, Lt. McKinney

**Shawnee Township:** Police Chief Keith, Fire Chief Truesdale

**Lima:** Fire Chief Andy Heffner

**Allen County EMA:** Director Tom Berger, Assistant Director Travis Fillhart

**Board of Allen County Commissioners:** Commissioner Seibert, Commissioner Winegardner, Commissioner Noonan, Brittany Woods

- **Commissioner Seibert opened the meeting with taking attendance of who was on the call**
- **Commissioner Winegardner opened the floor for any discussion from those attendees**
  - **There was none**
- **Commissioner Noonan proceeded with an overview of the purpose of the meeting**
  - **Review the dispatch program and further discuss the formula for funding of the program for all entities**
  - **This is not a user based program, must be funded to provide the dispatching needs for all entities**
  
- **Stresses that the goal is to align all contracts with their users; dispatch must be available when needed, regardless of time of day, everyday**
- **Discussion on the breakdown of PUCO, 911 and sales tax dollars**
- **Discussion on the breakdown of cost and funding for the dispatchers**
  - 10 funded by Allen County
  - 3 funded by County agencies
  - 4 funded by those contracted
- **Breakdown of the dispatcher needs for the contracted**
  - American-1 dispatcher
  - Delphos-1 dispatcher
  - Bluffton-1 dispatcher
  - Perry-3/4 of a dispatcher
  - Remaining 11 entities-1/4 of a dispatcher
- **General discussion of question and concerns from contracted entities**
- **Discussion of the process of coming up with the proposed amounts**
  - **Current contract collections= ~\$234,000.00**

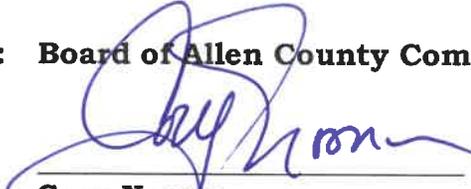
- Previously proposed amount based on Calls Per Service= ~\$399,000.00
- Current proposed contract collections= ~\$281,000.00
- Deadline for having the final formula-December 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Brief discussion on standalone dispatch, but was stated that a standalone dispatch would be a Phase 2—the numbers need to get figured out first
  - Commissioner Winegardner did advise the group that if there is anyone interested in looking towards Phase 2, that they could look into starting a committee
- Follow-up meeting scheduled tentatively for December 22, 2021 at DJFS and via GoTo Meeting where a decision will be made for the contract amounts

4:14 p.m.

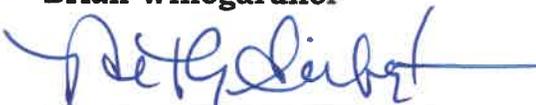
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Submitted by:   
Brittany N. Woods, Assistant Clerk

Approved by: Board of Allen County Commissioners

  
Cory Noonan

  
Brian Winegardner

  
Beth Seibert