

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 9, 2026
LOCATION	COMMISSIONER'S MEETING ROOM
	PRESENT: Brian Winegardner Beth Seibert Cory Noonan
TIME:	GENERAL SESSION – RECORDED
9:00 a.m.	Staff Update/County Projects Discussion • Jason Patchet was present to discuss compensation of Building and Ground employees At 9:01 a.m., Commissioner Seibert made a motion to enter into executive session to discussion compensation of a public employee per ORC 121.22(G)(1). Motion seconded by Commissioners Winegardner The roll was called and approved unanimously. Back in general session at 9:58 a.m. • Commissioners asked Jason Patchet to have conversation with Dan Nienberg regarding the creation of the position of Assistant Superintendent -previous conversations have been had discussing this position, but has been unfilled until the right candidate, and Jason Patchet and the Commissioners feel promotion of Dan Nienberg would be a good fit -Commissioners asked Jason Patchet to update the job description for review and have asked Susan Wildermuth to discuss the position with HR Helpline to determine the position classification

-Jason Patchet will discuss with Dan Nienberg on the position offer, which would consist of \$32.00 per hour with a one (1) year probation, an additional \$1.00 per hour at six (6) months and an additional \$1.00 per hour at the completion of one (1) year—if position is accepted prior to the Board being able to take action via resolution, retro payment to the date of June 11th would be permitted

-Commissioner Winegardner stated if Dan Nienberg is not interested in Assistant Superintendent Position and would like to remain in the HVAC Site Leader Position with additional responsibilities if also available at a rate of \$32.00 per hour

Commissioners recessed at 10:03 a.m. for a brief break

Back in session at 10:10 a.m.

Sofia Clifton—

- **Discussion on Bath Township Patrol vehicle**
 - vehicle is ready to be picked up from Reineke and delivered to Parr to be outfitted**
 - until the Deputy Services Agreement is signed, Bath Township will be responsible to deliver the vehicle to Parr unless Bath Township would like to have the vehicle wait for the Agreement to be signed and ownership is transferred to Allen County**
- **Discussion on Performance evaluation for Allen County use of Smart Shopper**
 - As of March, Allen County has a 72% of insured households utilizing Smart Shopper**
 - gross savings for employees is approximately \$26,000.00**
- **Received partial reimbursement for Facility Dude/Brightly from CORSA in the amount of \$8,711.00**
- **Wellness 2026 ends June 30th**
- **Meet and Greet with new CEBCO representatives has been scheduled for July 16th at 11:00 a.m.**
- **Received communication from a former employee at Juvenile Court in regards to claim of mold exposure at Juvenile Court**
 - requesting a study/inspection be completed to provide to her doctor to determine why she is experiencing a decline in health**
 - Commissioners have spoken to Jason Patchet, Building and Grounds Superintendent/Project Manager, and he stated there are no concerns of mold at Juvenile Court**

-No concerns from the Judge or current employees of Juvenile Court have been made
-Commissioners would like Sofia Clifton to work with John Willamowski Jr. to provide communication to the former employee stating there are no records to provide and no concerns have been expressed from current employees or Building and Grounds

- **Provided an update on Attorney Fees for trial of Workers Compensation for former County Engineer employee were in the amount of approximately \$20,000.00**
-will receive \$80,000.00 refund from BWC premiums for winning the trial
- **General discussion and review of Health Insurance plan options**
-discussion on potential plan changes
-Sofia Clifton will work with CEBCO on getting quotes for potential plan options
- **Discussion on communication received from Elizabeth Casey regarding her desire to be considered as an appointment to the Mental Health and Recovery Services Board**
-Commissioners would like Sofia Clifton to schedule an interview

Brittany Woods—

- **Discussion on authorization of allowance for Asbestos and Lead abatement to be completed at Cook Tower for the Child Support Enforcement Agency Project**
-the Commissioners agreed to agree to the use of allowances within the contract with Muhlenkmap Building Corporation in the amount of \$86,470.00 for said abatement work and authorize Commissioner Noonan to sign the authorization form on behalf of the board
-there will be a remaining balance of \$244,170.00 in allowances
- **Discussion on Amendment to Change Order 1A-7 with Charles Construction**
-an additional day was added to the contract; however, the contractor would like the Change Order to reflect that the added day is a work week day, not a weekend as it is currently listed
-substantial completion date will now be August 17, 2026, if approved on Thursday's agenda

- Received communication from Happy Yolks, LLC. notifying the Commissioners of an addition of 1 new cage-free laying hen house located at 3631 Lawrence Road in Auglaize Township
-permit application for said addition has been sent to ODA for approval, and said application includes detailed information on plans for manure management, insect and rodent control, emergency response, mortality management, record keeping and construction plans
-ODA will perform bi-annual inspections of the farm to ensure applicable rules and regulations to protect the environment are being followed
- Discussion on Underground Storage Tank Certificate of Coverage Annual Fee
-received communication from the County Engineer, Brion Rhodes, stating he is not interested in paying the \$1,100.00 for annual certification
-Brittany Woods will ask the County Engineer for any agreements he has with other county entities for fueling, emergent or none emergent
- Weigand Construction called and requested to schedule a Meet and Greet with the Commissioners as they were awarded the contract for the Memorial Hall Project
-Commissioners would like Brittany Woods to forward the request to Cindy Leis to advise on process

Susan Wildermuth—

- Discussion on Enterprise Leasing
-equity of a sold vehicle was applied to the monthly invoice in the amount of \$7,440.00
- Received a requested from the Sheriff's Office for ammunitions and munitions from Vance's in the amount of \$24,103.80
-Commissioners would like Susan Wildermuth to utilize the Gun Range set aside funds for this request
- Discussion on Hazard Mitigation Plan Review
-Commissioners will attend if available
- Received an email communication from Berlin Carroll in regards to CCTV Program
-Commissioners have been sent the communication for review
- Discussion on Civic Center Restroom Renovation Reimbursement

-Commissioners will be reimbursed an amount of \$137,971.60 from the Civic Center

- **Indirect Cost Allocation has been sent to all departments for their reviews**

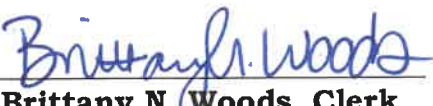
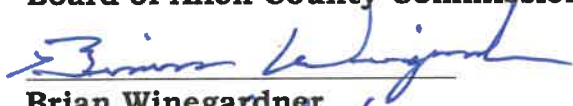
Beth Seibert—

- **Discussion on open seat of the WOCAP Board**
-Beth Seibert is continuing to look for a potential appointment
- **Attended a meeting with American, Perry and Bath Township and the Village of Elida with the Allen County Soil and Water Conversation District regarding the movement of Administration of the Stormwater Management and Sediment Control Regulations from the County Engineer to the Allen County Soil and Water Conversation District**
- **Provided an update on the meeting held with two (2) members of the Regional Airport Authority Board in regards to requested Capital Funding**
-Capital Budget is still being reviewed and Commissioner Seibert informed them that they will be notified once determination on capital funding is made
-\$62,000.00 was removed from their Operating Budget and Commissioner Seibert stated to the Board members that it is planned to provide that amount for Capital items
-Commissioners will continue to review Capital Budget
- **Discussion on Port Authority Access Management Agreement**
-agreement has been sent by John Willamowski Jr. to the Port Authority for review and consideration

Cory Noonan—

- **Received an invite from RTA on attending their Board Meeting and view their renovations of the facility**
-Commissioners will plan to attend
- **Received an invitation from the Chamber of Commerce for the Veterans Military Appreciation Day**
-Beth Seibert will find out if any speaking is requested by the Commissioners
- **Discussion on Liberty Retirement Bed Lease**

	-ownership is changing and a meeting is being scheduled with current and new owners to discuss transition • Discussion on \$100,000.00 balance of funds available for Clock Tower Maintenance -Jason Patchet is getting quotes for painting and possible clock works maintenance Brian Winegardner— • Capital Budget has been approved, and the Fairgrounds request for an Administration Building was not approved
12:25 p.m.	RECESS
1:01 p.m.	Dog Warden Quarterly Update—Julie Shellhammer • Provided an overview on office statistics • Review of Dog License sales • Discussion on storage garage roof -received a quote from Lee's Roofing in the amount of \$6,800.00 for shingles and \$19,500.00 for a metal roof -will be getting an additional quote from Barns Unlimited • Discussion on facility updates for kennels and breezeway entrance -Jason Patchet will be discussing with WDC Group to determine when project can be placed out for bid • Discussion on staffing -will be moving forward with a potential hire for Deputy Dog Warden • Discussion on invitation from Councilman Derry Glen to participate in a Community Concerns Committee -review of statistics to be shared at upcoming meeting -discussion on City of Lima ordinances that have been put in effect, however the Dog Warden is not able to enforce said ordinances -Commissioners would like to have a meeting with Councilman Derry Glen and City of Lima Mayor Sharetta Smith to discuss the City of Lima's interest in forming their own Dog Warden's Office and what the Dog Warden can and cannot enforce per the Ohio Revised Code -Commissioner Noonan will discuss scheduling a meeting with Mayor Smith

1:31 a.m.	RECESS				
2:00 p.m.	Bid Opening—Government Center Furnishings Bids Received: <table> <tr> <td>Four-U Inc.</td><td>\$304,008.50</td></tr> <tr> <td>IOS</td><td>\$385,335.54</td></tr> </table>	Four-U Inc.	\$304,008.50	IOS	\$385,335.54
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2:09 p.m.	ADJOURN				
	Submitted by: <u></u> Brittany N. Woods, Clerk Approved by: Board of Allen County Commissioners <u></u> Brian Winegardner <u></u> Beth Seibert _____ Cory Noonan				