

REGULAR SESSION JULY 13, 2022

This day the Board of Morrow County Commissioners met in their office at 80 North Walnut St., Ste. A, Mt. Gilead, Ohio with the following members present: Mr. Abraham, Mr. Whiston and Mr. Siegfried.

Public in attendance: Dale Butts, Hidden Lakes and Lonnie McGhee (McGhee’s Technical Water Service).

The meeting was opened with prayer and pledge of allegiance to the flag, and then called to order by Mr. Siegfried, who then proceeded with the business at hand. The following matters came before the Board for their consideration and approval.

**IN THE MATTER OF
APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
OF REGULAR SESSION OF JULY 11, 2022: 22-R-565**

Mr. Whiston made a motion to approve the minutes of regular session of July 11, 2022, as recorded in the Commissioners Journal # 50.

Mr. Abraham duly seconded this motion

Roll Call Vote: ..,Mr. Whiston..., “yea” ..,Mr. Abraham..., “yea” .., Mr. Siegfried.., “yea”

**IN THE MATTER OF
APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT: 22-R-566**

Mr. Siegfried made a motion to approve payment of bills numbered 1 through 147 submitted by the Morrow County Auditor’s office.

Mr. Abraham duly seconded this motion

Roll Call Vote: ..,Mr. Whiston..., “yea” ..,Mr. Abraham..., “yea” .., Mr. Siegfried.., “yea”

**IN THE MATTER OF
PAY-INS: 22-R-567**

The following pay-ins were made to Patricia K. Davies, Morrow County Auditor:

Receipt Batch #2746 Payments received from Chesterville customers for sewer fund 5159 \$1,096.00
 Payments received from Johnsville customers for sewer fund 5100 \$318.00
 Payments received from Ketterman customers for sewer fund 5121 \$167.84

Receipt #221729 from MCTC for Garage Lease Payment for fund 3173-1070-470802 \$1,665.67.

Receipt #221736 from Columbia Gas of Ohio for fund 1000-1020-420250 \$50.00.

Receipt Batch #2749 Payments received from Johnsville customers for sewer fund 5100 \$120.00

**IN THE MATTER OF
APPROPRIATION OF UNAPPROPRIATED CERTIFIED MONIES – GENERAL FUND,
CLERK OF COURT: 22-A-095**

At the request of Kimberly Bood, Morrow County Clerk of Courts, a motion was made by Mr. Whiston to appropriate from the unappropriated certified monies to the following account:

**Reason – I have been paying CourtView costs out of my computer fund, with increase features of CourtView, the computer fund is depleted at this time. I am trying to replenish.

1000-4313-530300	Professional Services	\$5,500.00
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Mr. Abraham duly seconded this motion.

Roll Call Vote: ..,Mr. Whiston..., “yea” ..,Mr. Abraham..., “yea” .., Mr. Siegfried.., “yea”

**IN THE MATTER OF
APPROPRIATION OF UNAPPROPRIATED CERTIFIED MONIES – GENERAL FUND,
SOIL & WATER: 22-A-096**

Mr. Siegfried made a motion to appropriate from the unappropriated certified monies to the following account for June 1, 2022 – July 1, 2022 CAUV inspections:

1000-0022-530397	Soil/Water	\$1,900.00
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Mr. Abraham duly seconded this motion.

Roll Call Vote: ..,Mr. Whiston..., “yea” ..,Mr. Abraham..., “yea” .., Mr. Siegfried.., “yea”

**IN THE MATTER OF
TRANSFER OF FUNDS – GENERAL FUND, BOARD OF ELECTIONS: 22-T-070**

At the request of April Brown, Deputy Director, a motion was made by Mr. Abraham to approve the following transfer of funds:

**Reason – for privacy screen bags to protect them from dirt and damage

From 1000-0015-540410 Office Supplies to 1000-0015-550740 Equipment/Computer/Furniture in the amount of \$1,182.19

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

Roll Call Vote: ..,Mr. Whiston..., “yea” ..,Mr. Abraham..., “yea” .., Mr. Siegfried.., “yea”

**IN THE MATTER OF
TRANSFER OF FUNDS – DEVELOPMENT FUND 2043 SPECIAL PROJECT: 22-T-071**

Mr. Siegfried made a motion to approve the following transfer of funds:

**Reason – to pay for a new employee background check

From 2043-0043-540410 Development Office Supplies to 2043-0043-530300 Development Purchased Services in the amount of \$25.00

Mr. Whiston duly seconded this motion.

Roll Call Vote: ..,Mr. Whiston..., “yea” ..,Mr. Abraham..., “yea” .., Mr. Siegfried.., “yea”

**IN THE MATTER OF
APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO THE JOB & FAMILY SERVICES PERSONNEL
POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL AND THE MORROW COUNTY PERSONNEL
POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL, SECTION 2.13 WEAPONS POLICY: 22-R-568**

Mr. Siegfried made a motion to approve the following amendment to the Job & Family Services Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual as well as the Morrow County Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual, Section 2.13 will read as follows:

Section 2.13 Weapons Policy

A. In the interest of protecting the safety of employees and citizens of Morrow County, the Morrow County Commissioners and Director of Job and Family Services adopt the following policy:

Effective April 8, 2004, as required by Ohio Revised Code §2923.1212, the following sign (or language substantially similar) will be posted at the entrance of every county owned building, and at the entrance to the portion of any non-county owned building which is leased by the county:

“Pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code, no person shall knowingly possess, have under the person’s control, convey, or attempt to convey a deadly weapon or dangerous ordinance onto these premises. A valid license

does not authorize the licensee to carry a concealed handgun onto these premises.”

- B. Employees and officials of Morrow County, other than law enforcement officers specifically authorized to carry a firearm**, are prohibited from carrying firearms into any county building, in any county vehicle or at any time while they are acting within the course and scope of their employment.
- ~~C. Employees and officials of Morrow County, other than law enforcement officers specifically authorized to carry a firearm**, are prohibited from bringing a loaded handgun onto a County owned parking lot, even if it is kept in their own vehicle, except for employees with a valid license to carry a concealed handgun.~~
- ~~D. Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Sections 2923.16 and 2923.1210, a county employee or official with a valid license to carry a concealed handgun may bring a loaded handgun onto a County owned land (including parking lots), but must leave the loaded handgun in their own locked vehicle, either in the glove compartment (or other locked compartment), in the trunk, or locked inside a gun case, when they report for work. The employee’s vehicle must be parked in a permitted area. An employee or official with a valid license to carry a concealed handgun who is reporting for work may remove the loaded handgun from their own vehicle parked on County property only for the purpose of transporting it to and from the trunk of that vehicle for storage.~~
- C. This policy does not prohibit employees that may lawfully possess a firearm, from transporting and/or storing a firearm or ammunition in their personal vehicle at work locations where their personal vehicle is otherwise permitted to be (e.g. County Parking Lot). However, the employee must leave the firearm and ammunition in their personal vehicle. Employees are neither permitted to remove their firearm or ammunition from their personal vehicles while at work locations nor are they permitted to bring a concealed firearm or ammunition into a County owned building. The employee’s firearm and ammunition must be stored in their personal vehicle in accordance with the storage provisions of the Concealed Carry statute. The firearm and ammunition must be in a locked vehicle either in the glove compartment, a lock box or the trunk.
- D. The County shall be immune from liability for any injury, death or loss to person or property that was caused by or related to a concealed carrier bringing a handgun onto the premises or property of the County.
- ~~EE.~~ Any county employee or official who violates this policy is acting outside the course and scope of their duties. Morrow County will not defend or indemnify such actions by any county official or employee. Any county employee found to be in violation of this policy will be subject to disciplinary action up to and including discharge.
- ~~EF.~~ County employees who use a firearm or make comments about firearms in such a way that intimidates, harasses, coerces, or threatens another county employee will be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including discharge.
- ~~HG.~~ Should an employee have a question involving interpretation or application of this policy, he or she shall address questions to the Director of Job and Family Services or the Prosecuting Attorney.

(Please note the Morrow County Manual will not reference the Director of Job and Family Services)

Mr. Abraham duly seconded this motion.

Roll Call Vote: ..,Mr. Whiston..., “yea” ..,Mr. Abraham..., “yea” .., Mr. Siegfried.., “yea”

**IN THE MATTER OF
APPROVAL TO RECESS SESSION: 22-R-569**

Mr. Siegfried made a motion to recess session at 9:10 a.m.

Mr. Abraham duly seconded this motion.

Roll Call Vote: ..,Mr. Whiston..., “yea” ..,Mr. Abraham..., “yea” .., Mr. Siegfried.., “yea”

**IN THE MATTER OF
APPROVAL TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: 22-R-570**

Mr. Siegfried made a motion to return to regular session at 10:00 a.m.

Mr. Abraham duly seconded this motion.

Roll Call Vote: ..,Mr. Whiston..., “yea” ..,Mr. Abraham..., “yea” .., Mr. Siegfried.., “yea”

10:00 a.m. Salt Brine Hearing

**IN THE MATTER OF
SALT BRINE HEARING – HIDDEN LAKES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION: 22-R-571**

WHEREAS, this day, July 13, 2022 at 10:00 a.m., a public hearing was held in the office of the Morrow County Commissioners for the purpose of hearing discussion regarding an application to apply salt brine to property owned by Hidden Lakes Community Association, 5248 Township Road 108, Mount Gilead, Ohio 43338;

WHEREAS, the following individuals were present to offer public comment:

Dale Butts for Hidden Lakes

THEREFORE, Mr. Whiston made a motion to approve the application from Hidden Lakes Community Association as submitted and to forward to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources as required.

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

Roll Call Vote: ..,Mr. Whiston..., “yea” ..,Mr. Abraham..., “yea” .., Mr. Siegfried.., “yea”

**IN THE MATTER OF
APPROVAL TO RECESS SESSION: 22-R-572**

Mr. Siegfried made a motion to recess session at 10:04 a.m.

Mr. Abraham duly seconded this motion.

Roll Call Vote: ..,Mr. Whiston..., “yea” ..,Mr. Abraham..., “yea” .., Mr. Siegfried.., “yea”

**IN THE MATTER OF
APPROVAL TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: 22-R-573**

Mr. Siegfried made a motion to return to regular session at 2:41 p.m.

Mr. Abraham duly seconded this motion.

Roll Call Vote: ..,Mr. Whiston..., “yea” ..,Mr. Abraham..., “yea” .., Mr. Siegfried.., “yea”

**IN THE MATTER OF
APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT IN REGARDS TO THE SOMOCO WWTP: 22-R-574**

Mr. Whiston made a motion to have the County obtain ownership of 50 feet around the Somoco Dam, split the cost with Fishburn for the Poggemeyer survey that was performed and the .933 acres (Parcel “A) be retained by Fishburn.

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

Roll Call Vote: ..,Mr. Whiston..., “yea” ..,Mr. Abraham..., “yea” .., Mr. Siegfried.., “yea”

There being no further matters to bring before the board, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Siegfried and duly seconded by Mr. Abraham.

Roll Call Vote: ..,Mr. Whiston..., “yea” ..,Mr. Abraham..., “yea” .., Mr. Siegfried.., “yea”

We hereby certify the foregoing to be true and correct.

CHAIRMAN

CLERK

ASSISTANT CLERK

MORROW COUNTY COMMISSIONERS