

**REGULAR SESSION MARCH 1, 2023**

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. Mason and Mr. Siegfried.

County Staff: Jamie Brucker, Director of Operations, Sundie Brown, Job and Family Services

Public in attendance:

The meeting was opened with prayer and pledge of allegiance to the flag, and then called to order by Mr. Abraham 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 FEBRUARY 27, 2023: 23-R-171**

Mr. Siegfried made a motion to approve the minutes of regular session of February 27, 2023, as recorded in the Commissioners Journal # 50.

Mr. Abraham duly seconded this motion

Roll Call Vote: ..,Mr. Siegfried..., "yea" ..,Mr. Mason..., "yea" .., Mr. Abraham..., "yea"

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT: 23-R-172**

Mr. Mason made a motion to approve payment of bills numbered 1 through 66 submitted by the Morrow County Auditor's office.

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion

Roll Call Vote: ..,Mr. Siegfried..., "yea" ..,Mr. Mason..., "yea" .., Mr. Abraham..., "yea"

**IN THE MATTER OF  
PAY-INS: 23-R-173**

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

Receipt Batch #3287 Payments received from Chesterville customers for sewer fund 5159 \$993.69  
Payments received from Johnsville customers for sewer fund 5100 \$484.90  
Payments received from Ketterman customers for sewer fund 5121 \$168.00  
Payments received from Somoco customers for sewer fund 5110 \$627.53

Receipt# 230570 Payment from Morrow County Services for Older Citizens for March insurance premium 7222-7777-740100 \$3,595.15

Receipt Batch #3289 Payments received from Chesterville customers for sewer fund 5159 \$597.45  
Payments received from Johnsville customers for sewer fund 5100 \$149.00  
Payments received from Ketterman customers for sewer fund 5121 \$56.00  
Payments received from Somoco customers for sewer fund 5110 \$2,398.14

**IN THE MATTER OF  
TRANSFER OF FUNDS – GENERAL FUND, BOARD OF ELECTIONS: 23-T-022**

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

\*\*Reason – return the interest from Security Grant to Secretary of State

From 1000-0016-530323 Facility Maintenance to 1000-0016-590941 Misc Reimbursement in the amount of \$62.34

Mr. Mason duly seconded this motion.

Roll Call Vote: ..,Mr. Siegfried..., "yea" ..,Mr. Mason..., "yea" .., Mr. Abraham..., "yea"

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL OF REAL ESTATE PURCHASE CONTRACT FOR SOMOCO  
SEWER: 23-R-174**

Mr. Abraham made a motion to approve the following Real Estate Purchase Contract and the closing costs to be paid out of the Somoco Sewer Fund:

The undersigned, Board of Morrow County Commissioners "BUYER", agrees to buy and the undersigned Fishburn Farms, Inc. "SELLER", agrees to sell, upon the terms hereinafter set forth, the following real estate in the State of Ohio, County of Morrow, Township of Peru, 4.480 acres and .552 acres, being more particularly described in the attached legal descriptions.

1. On the following Terms:
  - a) Purchase price shall be \$89,400.00 to be paid upon closing
  - b) The Buyer is buying the property in "as is" condition having already inspected it.
  - c) This transaction shall close at M & A Title Agency, LLC, Mt. Gilead

\*\*A complete copy of this purchase contract will be on file with the Morrow County Commissioners' office

Board of Morrow County Commissioners  
 s/Tim D. Abraham  
 s/Timothy R. Siegfried  
 s/Jon Mason

Fishburn Farms, Inc.  
 s/Daniel Schwartz, President

Executed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2023

Approval as to Form  
 s/Thomas Smith, Morrow County Prosecutor

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

Roll Call Vote: ..,Mr. Siegfried..., "yea" ..,Mr. Mason..., "yea" .., Mr. Abraham..., "yea"

**IN THE MATTER OF  
 APPROVAL OF NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT IN  
 REGARDS TO THE COURTHOUSE GENERATOR PROJECT: 23-R-175**

Mr. Siegfried made a motion to approve the following Notice of Commencement for Public Improvement:

State of Ohio,  
 County of Morrow; ss:

Jamie Brucker the Director of Operations for Morrow County Commissioners being first duly sworn, gives the following information with respect to the public improvement described herein:

1. The name of the public improvement is the Morrow County Generator Projects (the "Project").
2. The Project is located at 80 N. Walnut St., 60 E. High St., 48 E. High St., Mt Gilead, Ohio.
3. The name and address of the public authority are:  
Morrow County Commissioners  
48 E. High St.  
Mt Gilead, Ohio
4. The name and address of the Principal Contractor working on the Project is:  
BCU Electric, Inc.  
1019 US 250 North  
Ashland, Ohio 44806  
Point of Contact: Dan Yetzer

- 5. The name and address of the surety or sureties, guaranteeing payment of the obligation of the Principal Contractor are as follows:

Surety:

Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

1299 Zurich Way

Schaumburg, Illinois 60196

Surety Agent:

AssuredPartners of Ohio

3900 Kinross Lakes Parkway

Richfield Ohio 44286

- 6. The date the public authority first executed a contract with a principal contractor for the public improvement was October 12, 2022

- 7. The following representative of the public authority should be served with a lien affidavit:

Tim D. Abraham

Morrow County Commissioner

80 N. Walnut Street, Ste A

Mount Gilead, Ohio 43338

The foregoing is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and the information available to me.

s/Jamie Brucker, Director of Operations

Mr. Mason duly seconded this motion

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL TO RECESS SESSION: 23-R-176**

Mr. Abraham made a motion to recess session at 9:05 a.m.

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

**Commissioner Mason left the office for another meeting**

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: 23-R-177**

Mr. Abraham made a motion to return to regular session at 9:30 a.m.

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION: 23-R-178**

Mr. Abraham made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 9:31 a.m. to discuss the resignation of personnel with Job and Family Services Director Sundie Brown and Jamie Brucker, Director of Operations.

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: 23-R-179**

Mr. Abraham made a motion to return to regular session at 10:04 a.m.

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL TO RECESS SESSION: 23-R-180**

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

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: 23-R-181**

Mr. Abraham made a motion to return to regular session at 2:35 p.m.

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
TRANSFER OF FUNDS – RECYCLING FUND 2006: 23-T-023**

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

\*\*Reason – transfer dollars so the purchase of computer/printer can be on one purchase order

From 2006-2006-550745 Computer Software to 2006-2006-550740 Equipment/Computer/Furniture in the amount of \$675.00

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT #2: 23-R-182**

Mr. Siegfried made a motion to approve payment of bills numbered 1 through 12 submitted by the Morrow County Auditor’s office.

Mr. Abraham duly seconded this motion

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN SIMONSON CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, INC.  
AND MORROW COUNTY, OHIO AND APPROVAL FOR CHAIRMAN TO SIGN RELATED  
DOCUMENTS: 23-R-183**

**WHEREAS**, the Morrow County Commissioners have awarded Simonson Construction Services, Inc. the contract to complete the SoMoCo Wastewater Treatment Plant and Outfall Sewer Improvements Project: KLF Job No. 2022170; and

**WHEREAS**, the total construction cost totals \$3,839,000.00

**NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved**, Mr. Siegfried made a motion that the Morrow County Commissioners will approve the funding for this project as follows and approve for Chairman Tim D. Abraham to sign related documents:

Ohio Builds Grant	\$2,070,000
ARPA Funds	\$1,000,000
Capital Improvements	\$839,000 (to be used if the USDA funding is not secured)

\*\*A complete copy of this contract will be on file with the Morrow County Commissioners' office

Mr. Abraham duly seconded this motion.

Roll Call Vote: ..,Mr. Siegfried..., "yea" ..,Mr. Mason..., "absent" .., Mr. Abraham.., "yea"

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROPRIATION OF UNAPPROPRIATED CERTIFIED MONIES – ARPA FUND  
4121 AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND 4111: 23-A-031**

Mr. Abraham made a motion to appropriate from the unappropriated certified monies to the following accounts for the Somoco Sewer Expansion project:

4111-0101-550730	Improvement of Sites (Capital)	\$839,000.00
4121-0101-550730	Improvement of Sites (ARPA)	\$1,000,000.00

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

Roll Call Vote: ..,Mr. Siegfried..., "yea" ..,Mr. Mason..., "absent" .., Mr. Abraham.., "yea"

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

Roll Call Vote: ..,Mr. Siegfried..., "yea" ..,Mr. Mason..., "absent" .., Mr. Abraham.., "yea"

We hereby certify the foregoing to be true and correct.

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CHAIRMAN

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CLERK

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ASSISTANT CLERK

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MORROW COUNTY COMMISSIONERS