

**REGULAR SESSION MARCH 13, 2024**

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. Mason, Mr. Siegfried and Mr. Abraham

County Staff: Jamie Brucker, Director of Operations

Public in attendance:

The meeting was opened with prayer and pledge of allegiance to the flag, and then called to order by Mr. Mason 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 MARCH 11, 2024: 24-R-187**

Mr. Siegfried made a motion to approve the minutes of regular session of March 11, 2024, as recorded in the Commissioners Journal # 51.

Mr. Mason duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT: 24-R-188**

Mr. Mason made a motion to approve payment of bills numbered 1 through 58 submitted by the Morrow County Auditor's office.

Mr. Abraham duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
PAY-INS: 24-R-189**

The following pay-ins were made to Conni McChesney, Morrow County Auditor:

- Receipt Batch #4168 Payments received from Chesterville customers for sewer fund 5159 \$126.00
- Payments received from Johnsville customers for sewer fund 5100 \$87.00
- Payments received from Somoco customers for sewer fund 5110 \$60.00
- Receipt# 240835 Payment from JFS service garage for March rent 3173-1070-470802 \$1,710.33
- Receipt Batch #4176 Payments received from Johnsville customers for sewer fund 5100 \$62.50

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROPRIATION OF UNAPPROPRIATED CERTIFIED MONIES – FUND 5113 SOMOCO  
SEWER OHIO BUILDS GRANT: 24-A-032**

Mr. Abraham made a motion to appropriate from the unappropriated certified monies to the following account to pay Simonson Construction their latest payment due:

5113-5113-550730	Improvement of Sites	\$648,303.20
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Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPOINTMENTS TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REVOLVING LOAN FUND  
REVIEW COMMITTEE: 24-R-190**

**WHEREAS**, the Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund Review Committee shall be appointed by the Board and shall consist of no less than five (5) or more than nine (9) members; and

**WHEREAS**, all members shall be appointed for three (3) year terms, except for the initial appointments, which consist of three (3) members appointed for a one (1) year term. This approach

will allow for staggered three (3) year terms commencing three (3) years after the date of the initial appointments; and

**WHEREAS**, the Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund Review Committee shall include members representing a cross section of Morrow County’s business and professional community, including person(s) representing the low and moderate-income community. Members taken as a whole, shall have experience in business, finance, real estate, banking, public utilities and local government. The committee shall donate their time to the FUND; and

**WHEREAS**, all Committee terms have expired, and the following individuals have agreed to serve a term on the Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund Review Committee:

Brandon Hayes	Business and Finance, Park Enterprise	Term 3/13/24 – 3/13/25
Julie Stake	Business and Finance, James Madison Ins	Term 3/13/24 – 3/13/25
Dan Boysel	Utilities, Consolidated Cooperative	Term 3/13/24 – 3/13/25
Michael Patterson	Local Government, Mo Co Township Assoc	Term 3/13/24 – 3/13/27
Jim Ferriman	LMI Needs, Mo Co Ohio Means Jobs	Term 3/13/24 – 3/13/27

**THEREFORE**, Mr. Mason made a motion to approve the appointments as listed above to the Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund Review Committee.

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE NOTICE FOR BIDS FOR MORROW COUNTY TR 224 BOX  
CULVERT MATERIALS: 24-R-191**

Mr. Abraham made a motion to approve advertising the following legal notice to advertise for bids for TR 224 Box Culvert Materials:

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
Advertisement for Bids**

Sealed bids will be received at the Morrow County Commissioners Office, 80 North Walnut Street, Mount Gilead, OH 43338, Until 9:30am on Wednesday, April 3, 2024, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud, for the project know as Morrow County TR 224 Box Culvert (PRU #4). This bid is for supplying materials only.

The proposals must be made on the forms provided in the Contract Documents or a copy thereof and shall contain the full name and address of the bidder. All bids shall be sealed and plainly marked “SEALED BID FOR Morrow County TR 224 Box Culvert (PRU #4)”.

Copies of the bid specifications must be obtained from the Morrow County Engineer’s Office, 50 E High Street, Mount Gilead, OH 43338 at no charge, or at the Morrow County Commissioner’s Office.

The prices of this contract shall be in effect from the date of award to December 31, 2024. The Board of Commissioners reserves the right to make a non-excusive award and to issue purchase orders on an as needed basis.

No bids shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after the opening thereof. Awarding of the contract shall be to the Lowest and Best bidder as determined by the Morrow County Board of Commissioners in the best interest of the County. The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

**BY ORDER OF THE MORROW COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Adv: Morrow County Sentinel, March 20<sup>th</sup> and March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE NOTICE FOR BIDS FOR MORROW COUNTY CR 165 BOX  
CULVERT MATERIALS: 24-R-192**

Mr. Siegfried made a motion to approve advertising the following legal notice to advertise for bids for CR 165 Box Culvert Materials:

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
Advertisement for Bids**

Sealed bids will be received at the Morrow County Commissioners Office, 80 North Walnut Street, Mount Gilead, OH 43338, Until 9:30am on Wednesday, April 3, 2024, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud, for the project know as Morrow County CR 165 Box Culvert (PRU #6). This bid is for supplying materials only.

The proposals must be made on the forms provided in the Contract Documents or a copy thereof and shall contain the full name and address of the bidder. All bids shall be sealed and plainly marked "SEALED BID FOR Morrow County CR 165 Box Culvert (PRU #6)".

Copies of the bid specifications must be obtained from the Morrow County Engineer's Office, 50 E High Street, Mount Gilead, OH 43338 at no charge, or at the Morrow County Commissioner's Office.

The prices of this contract shall be in effect from the date of award to December 31, 2024. The Board of Commissioners reserves the right to make a non-excusive award and to issue purchase orders on an as needed basis.

No bids shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after the opening thereof. Awarding of the contract shall be to the Lowest and Best bidder as determined by the Morrow County Board of Commissioners in the best interest of the County. The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

**BY ORDER OF THE MORROW COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

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Mr. Abraham duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
PROCLAMATION FOR THE MORROW COUNTY HOSPITAL: 24-R-193**

Mr. Siegfried made a motion to approve the following Proclamation:

**PROCLAMATION FOR THE MORROW COUNTY HOSPITAL**

**Whereas**, the Morrow County Hospital was recently named a 2023 Top 100 Critical Access Hospital; and

**Whereas**, Morrow County Hospital is the only Ohio Hospital to be awarded this prestigious top-tier designation out of nearly 2,200 critical access hospitals across the country; and

**Whereas**, this designation has been awarded twice in the last three years to Morrow County Hospital; and

**Whereas**, the hospital has made major strides to improve patient care by expanding healthcare services, investing in new equipment, and renovating many areas in and around the facility; and

**Whereas**, the Morrow County Commissioners extend our appreciation to the entire staff for the dedication and commitment to the betterment of Morrow County. We sincerely thank you for serving the community and wish you many continued years of success; and

**Now, Therefore**, we do hereby proclaim March 13, 2024 as:

**Morrow County Hospital Appreciation Day**

in all of Morrow County, Ohio.

Approved and signed by,

**BOARD OF MORROW COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

s/Jon Mason

s/Tim D. Abraham

s/Timothy R. Siegfried

Mr. Mason duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL TO PAY LATE FEES (COLUMBIA GAS): 24-R-194**

Mr. Mason made a motion to approve the Morrow County Auditor to pay late fee of \$2.11 on the Columbia Gas bill for the Sheriff office due to delay in the bill getting to the correct office.

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL TO RECESS SESSION: 24-R-195**

Mr. Mason made a motion to recess session at 9:07 a.m.

Mr. Abraham duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: 24-R-196**

Mr. Mason made a motion to return to regular session at 9:32 a.m.

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

**9:30 Salt Brine Hearings**

**IN THE MATTER OF  
SALT BRINE HEARING – FFLH, LTD: 24-R-197**

**WHEREAS**, this day, March 13, 2024 at 9:30 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 FFLH, Ltd., 5012 State Route 229, Marengo, Ohio 43334;

**WHEREAS**, the following individuals were present to offer public comment: no public present

**THEREFORE**, Mr. Siegfried made a motion to approve the application from FFLH Ltd. as submitted and to forward to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources as required.

Mr. Abraham duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
SALT BRINE HEARING – CAMPGROUND MANAGEMENT dba CARDINAL  
CENTER: 24-R-198**

**WHEREAS**, this day, March 13, 2024 at 9:30 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 Campground Management Inc., Db a Cardinal Center, 616 St. Rt. 61, Marengo, Ohio 43334;

**WHEREAS**, the following individuals were present to offer public comment: no public present

**THEREFORE**, Mr. Abraham made a motion to approve the application from Campground Management dba Cardinal Center as submitted and to forward to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources as required.

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
SALT BRINE HEARING – FISHBURN FARMS, INC.: 24-R-199**

**WHEREAS**, this day, March 13, 2024 at 9:30 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 Fishburn Farms, 5012 St. Rt. 229, Marengo, Ohio 43334;

**WHEREAS**, the following individuals were present to offer public comment: no public present

**THEREFORE**, Mr. Mason made a motion to approve the application from Fishburn Farms as submitted and to forward to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources as required.

Mr. Abraham duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
SALT BRINE HEARING – FISHBURN SERVICES, INC.: 24-R-200**

**WHEREAS**, this day, March 13, 2024 at 9:30 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 Fishburn Services Inc., 5012 St. Rt. 229, Marengo, Ohio 43334;

**WHEREAS**, the following individuals were present to offer public comment: no public present

**THEREFORE**, Mr. Abraham made a motion to approve the application from Fishburn Services Inc. as submitted and to forward to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources as required.

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
SALT BRINE HEARING – MORROW MEADOWS DEVELOPMENT: 24-R-201**

**WHEREAS**, this day, March 13, 2024 at 9:30 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 Morrow Meadows Development, 5012 St. Rt. 229, Marengo, Ohio 43334 and 4072 Township Road 256, Marengo, Ohio 43334;

**WHEREAS**, the following individuals were present to offer public comment: no public present

**THEREFORE**, Mr. Abraham made a motion to approve the application from Morrow Meadows Development as submitted and to forward to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources as required.

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL TO RECESS SESSION: 24-R-202**

Mr. Mason made a motion to recess session at 9:36 a.m.

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: 24-R-203**

Mr. Mason made a motion to return to regular session at 3:32 p.m.

Mr. Abraham duly seconded this motion.

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

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

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