

**REGULAR SESSION SEPTEMBER 18, 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. Mason and Mr. Siegfried

Absent: Mr. Abraham

County Staff: Jamie Brucker, Director of Operations

Public in attendance: Joe Carroll, Airport

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 SEPTEMBER 13, 2023: 23-R-716**

Mr. Siegfried made a motion to approve the minutes of regular session of September 13, 2023, as recorded in the Commissioners Journal # 50.

Mr. Mason duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT: 23-R-717**

Mr. Mason made a motion to approve payment of bills numbered 1 through 62 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.., "absent"

**IN THE MATTER OF  
PAY-INS: 23-R-718**

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

Receipt Batch #3456 Payments received from Chesterville customers for sewer fund 5159 \$60.00  
Payments received from Johnsville customers for sewer fund 5100 \$135.00  
Payments received from Ketterman customers for sewer fund 5121 \$240.80  
Payments received from Somoco customers for sewer fund 5110 \$115.96

Receipt Batch #3760 Payments received from Chesterville customers for sewer fund 5159 \$377.50  
Payments received from Ketterman customers for sewer fund 5121 \$61.60

**IN THE MATTER OF  
TRANSFER OF FUNDS – GENERAL FUND, BOARD OF ELECTIONS: 23-T-112**

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

\*\*Reason – to pay Penny, April and Karen for extra hours worked for the August special election shortage

From 1000-0115-530319 IT Professional Services to 1000-0115-510120 Employee Wages in the amount of \$102.37

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL FOR THE MORROW COUNTY SHERIFF TO HIRE OUTSIDE  
COUNSEL: 23-R-719**

**WHEREAS**, Ohio Revised Code Section 305.14 allows a Board of County Commissioners and a County Prosecuting Attorney to apply to the Court of Common Pleas for approval of a County Agency to hire outside counsel; and

**WHEREAS**, the Morrow County Sheriff wishes to hire outside counsel for a Workers Compensation Claim involving Kurt Carr which is pending before the Industrial Commission of Ohio; and

**WHEREAS**, the Morrow County Prosecuting Attorney consents to the use of outside counsel due to complexity of Workers Compensation claims;

**THEREFORE**, Mr. Siegfried made a motion that we, the Morrow County Board of Commissioners resolves:

1. Application to the Court of Common Pleas is hereby approved
2. The scope of representation of outside counsel shall be limited to matters involving Kurt Carr's claim before the Industrial Commission of Ohio.
3. The term of representation shall be during the pendency of the Kurt Carr's claim before the Industrial Commission of Ohio only.
4. No other representation of outside counsel be approved.

Mr. Mason duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS – MORROW COUNTY'S  
ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PLANS OF OPERATION AND GOVERNANCE: 23-R-720**

**WHEREAS**, the Morrow County Commissioners are considering becoming the County aggregator regarding electric aggregation; and

**THEREFORE**, Mr. Siegfried made a motion to advertise the following Notice of Public Hearings:

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to O.R.C. Section 4929.26(C), the Morrow County Commissioners will hold two separate public meetings on the County of Morrow's Electric Aggregation Plans of Operation and Governance. The first hearing will be held on Wednesday, October 11, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. at the Commissioner's Hearing Room, 80 N. Walnut Street, Mount Gilead, Ohio. The second hearing will be held on Wednesday, October 11, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. at the Commissioner's Hearing Room, 80 N. Walnut Street, Mount Gilead, Ohio.

The Morrow County's Electric Aggregation Plans of Operation and Governance describes the policies and procedures by which the County will carry out the opt-out electric government aggregation program, including those policies and procedures, which relate to rates and customer service.

BOARD OF MORROW COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
Cheryl Heacock, Clerk

Advertise: Morrow County Sentinel September 27, 2023 and October 4, 2023, [morrowcountyohio.gov](http://morrowcountyohio.gov)

Mr. Mason duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL OF LEAD ENTITY DESIGNATION FOR OHIO DEPARTMENT OF  
DEVELOPMENT DEMO AND BROWNFIELD PROGRAMS: 23-R-721**

Mr. Mason made a motion to approve the Morrow County Land Reutilization Corporation to be the lead entity designation for the ODOD Demolition and Site Revitalization and Brownfield Remediation programs. The point of contact will be Grace Walker.

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL TO RECESS SESSION: 23-R-722**

Mr. Mason made a motion to recess session at 9:04 a.m.

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: 23-R-723**

Mr. Mason made a motion to return to regular session at 3:02 p.m.

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT#2: 23-R-724**

Mr. Siegfried made a motion to approve payment of bills#2 numbered 1 through 39 submitted by the Morrow County Auditor’s office.

Mr. Mason duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROPRIATION OF UNAPPROPRIATED CERTIFIED MONIES – ENGINEER’S  
FUND 2202: 23-A-135**

At the request of Bart Dennison, Morrow County Engineer, a motion was made by Mr. Mason to appropriate from the unappropriated certified monies to the following account:

2202-2202-540452	Chip Seal	\$740,000.00
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Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION# 15-R-348, AUTHORIZING THE  
FORMATION OF THE MORROW COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY  
UNDER OHIO REVISED CODE (ORC) 5502.26: 23-R-725**

**WHEREAS**, on June 3, 2015, the Morrow County Commissioners approved Resolution 15-R-348, Authorizing the formation of the Morrow County Emergency Management Agency under Ohio Revised Code (ORC) 5502.26; and

**WHEREAS**, the EMA Executive Committee has requested the following updated to Resolution 15-R-348 **in red**;

**SECTION 5.** That the Board of Morrow County Commissioners authorize and directs staff to enter into negotiations regarding contract for provisions of services with political subdivisions, within Morrow County, and

(A) Formation of the Morrow County Emergency Management Executive Committee, including, but not limited to, representation from each of the following: (one) County Commissioner representing the Board of County Commissioners entering into the agreement, (five) chief executives representing the municipal corporations and townships entering into the agreement, (one) Sheriff’s office representative, (one) Fire Chief **or firefighter** selected by a majority vote of the Fire Chiefs of Morrow County, (one) citizen at large, and (one) non-voting Emergency Management Personnel.

**THEREFORE**, Mr. Siegfried made a motion to approve the amendment as presented to Resolution# 15-R-348.

Mr. Mason duly seconded this motion.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF  
TRANSFER OF FUNDS – ENGINEER’S FUND 2202: 23-T-113**

At the request of Bart Dennison, Morrow County Engineer, a motion was made by Mr. Mason to approve the following transfer of funds:

\*\*Reason – additional funds needed to pay for new building plans

From 2202-2002-530330 Program Support Services to 2202-2002-530310 Professional Services in the amount of \$60,000.00

Mr. Siegfried duly seconded this motion.

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

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. Siegfried..., “yea” ..,Mr. Mason..., “yea” .., Mr. Abraham..., “absent”

We hereby certify the foregoing to be true and correct.

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CHAIRMAN

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ASSISTANT CLERK

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