

FEBRUARY 07, 2008

At 9:00 a.m. the Gallia County Board of Commissioners met on this date for the purpose of approving the minutes of the previous meeting and approving the current bills. Commissioners present: Mr. Justin L. Fallon, President; Mr. David K. Smith, Vice-President and Mr. Howard J. "Joe" Foster, Member.

David Smith entertained a motion for approval of the January 31, 2008 minutes. Joe Foster made and David Smith seconded a motion of approval as written. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Mr. Fallon, taking a phone call and absent for vote.

ANIMAL SHELTER REPORT

Week ending February 3, 2008: reclaimed 2; euthanized 17; rescued 9

TRAVEL

JFS
Belinda Jones, Tande Rose, Portsmouth, OH, 3/27/08, 5th elder abuse conference

**GALLIA COUNTY JOB & FAMILY SERVICES
TRAVEL REQUEST**

Cynde Kuhn	02/26/2008	Columbus
Judy Lyall	02/26/2008	self-employment income
Lori Church	02/26/2008	training
Candy Baughman	03/11/2008	Nelsonville
Lorri Straight		self-employment income
Jackie Figgins		training
Tannya Henry		
Mark Coleman		
Sam Hamilton		
Sonja Kisner		
Lori Clary		
Debbie Fisher		
Kathy Campbell		
Terri Jividen		
Shanda Cremeens		

Commissioners

Commissioner David Smith, Piketon, OVRDC meeting, Integrating Committee

Justin Fallon entertained a motion to approve the travel as requested. Joe Foster made and David Smith seconded. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

David Smith moved for an executive session at 9:30 a.m. to discuss personnel. Justin Fallon seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea. Returned to regular session at 9:47 a.m. No action taken in executive session.

SHERIFF MARTIN'S OFFICE

Attending: Sheriff Martin, Major John Perry, Lt. John Williams and Administrative Assistant, Cheryl Vance
David Smith moved to go into executive session to discuss contracts with the Sheriff's office personnel. Joe Foster seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea. Returned to regular session at 10:04 a.m. No action taken in executive session

Sheriff Martin announced to the board that his office will advertise the food service contract for inmates in the local newspaper and on the GC Sheriff's homepage at galliacountysheriff.org for the 2008 contract for food service for the Gallia County Jail.

FIRST ROUND COUNTY CAUCUS

The Commissioners recessed the regular meeting to attend the caucus meeting being held in the 2nd floor meeting room.

BONNIE MCFARLAND

The following proclamation was presented for Heart Month from employees of Holzer Hospital. Justin Fallon entertained a motion of approval by signing. David Smith made and Justin Fallon seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea. Attending from Holzer are Bonnie McFarland, Susan Morgan and Krista Smith.

Mrs. McFarland announced that February 14, 2008, is Holzer's Heart Fair from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the downstairs Conference Rooms AB&C at the Hospital.

Proclamation

Whereas, Heart Month celebrates the extraordinary progress in women's heart health and recognizes that more needs to be done in Gallia County Ohio to safeguard women's health for generations to come.

Whereas, Heart disease is the #1 killer of women and one in three American women dies of heart disease.

Whereas, Most women do not know that heart disease is a women's problem and they do not take it seriously.

Whereas, The risk factors for heart disease are smoking, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, overweight/obesity, physical inactivity, diabetes, a family history of early heart disease, and age.

Whereas, Women can promote their own heart health and prevent disease and illness by taking steps to prevent and control the heart disease risk factors.

Whereas, Keeping women healthy and promoting awareness of women's health issues, including heart health, is an important responsibility and depends on the actions of many organizations and groups in our community.

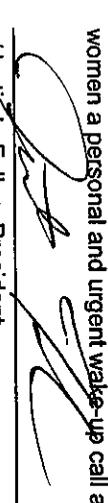
Whereas, Women's health remains a priority for families, communities, and government, and our commitment to keeping women healthy is stronger than ever.

Whereas, *The Heart Month* campaign is building awareness of women's heart disease risk and empowering them to reduce their risk and prevent heart disease.

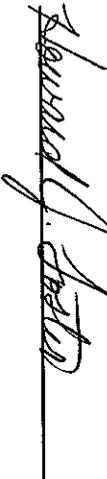
Therefore Gallia County women need to take action to make heart health a priority for themselves and their families, become aware of their personal risk factors for heart disease, and take action to lower their risk.

Now, therefore, We, The Gallia County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim February 2008, as Heart Month in Gallia County, Ohio and encourage all citizens to unite in the national movement to give women a personal and urgent wake-up call about their risk of heart disease.

s/Justin L. Fallon, President



s/David K. Smith Vice-President



s/Howard Joe Foster, Member

RESOLUTION/ENGINEER'S OFFICE

County Engineer's Glenn Smith's office requested that the following resolution be approved today by the Commissioners. David Smith moved to pass the resolution as submitted. Joe Foster seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Mr. Fallon, yea.

Whereas, ORC Sec 5543.19 provides for construction, reconstruction, improvement, maintenance, or repair of County roads by the County Engineer by force accounts when so authorized by the County Commissioners;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Gallia County Commissioners that the County Engineer is hereby authorized to proceed to construct, reconstruct, improve, maintain, or repair County roads and bridges by force account in accordance with those requirements of ORC Sec 5543.19 in those cases when not otherwise required by the ORC to use competitive bidding.

3rd AMENDED CERTIFICATE REVIEW

Karen Sprague, County Administrator, presented the Commission with the 3rd Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources for review. No action taken.

FINANCIAL REPORT REVIEW

The Commissioner's reviewed the January, 2008 financial report and the report is on file in the Commissioner's office.

**SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT
CDBG ED REVOLVING LOAN FUND**

Karen Sprague, County Administrator, presented the Commission with the Semi-Annual Report for the CDBG ED Revolving Loan Fund for the period of June 30, 2007 thru December 31, 2007 as completed and presented to the County by Enterprise Development Corporation. Justin Fallon entertained a motion that the report be approved and signed as presented. David Smith moved and Joe Foster seconded that motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Justin Fallon, yea; David Smith, yea; Joe Foster, yea. The form is on file in the County's CDBG grant files.

KANAUGA/ADDISON SEWER EASEMENTS

Karen Sprague, County Administrator, met with the Commission to discuss sewer right-of-way easements that are needed for the Kanauga/Addison Sewer Project. Currently an easement is needed from a property owner that is requesting free taps for two houses that are located on the property. Commission requested that Ms. Sprague work with Project Engineer Gary Silcott to develop a policy for handling easements for this project. The policy can then be used as guideline for easement acquisition for this project and the Commission will not need to take action on each easement. No action taken.

PRESERVE AMERICAN GRANT PROGRAM

Karen Sprague, County Administrator, advised the Commission of correspondence from ODDOD regarding the Preserve American Grant Program. This program will provide grant funding for developing sustainable resource management strategies, innovative heritage tourism activities and educational efforts associated with their local historic and cultural assets. Ms. Sprague noted that the information has been forwarded to the Visitor's Bureau, The Our House, The Ariel and the City of Gallipolis. No action taken.

ASSIGNMENT OF SEWER ENGINEERING CONTRACTS

Karen Sprague, County Administrator, presented the Commission with a request from Stantec, formerly RD Zande & Associates, to assign the following contracts with RD Zande to Stantec (Stantec acquired RD Zande & Associates on 1/2/08):

- Green Township Sewer Study
- General Engineering
- Mercerville Sanitary Sewer
- Vinton Storm Sewer Study
- Kanauga/Addison Sanitary Sewer

Justin Fallon entertained a motion to approve the assignment of the above stated project to Stantec. Joe Foster made and David Smith seconded the motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Justin Fallon, yea; David Smith, yea; Joe Foster, yea.

**RESOLUTION – USDA RD GRANT/LOAN APPLICATION
EMS STATION PROJECT**

County Administrator Karen Sprague met with the Commission to present the USDA RD Community Facilities grant/loan application for the Gallia County EMS Station project. Total project cost will be \$245,000. The application requests \$50,000 in USDA grant funding and \$150,000 in USDA loan funding for this project. Also, presented for approval was a letter of commitment of the local match totaling \$45,000 to be paid from the County EMS fund.

Justin Fallon entertained a motion that the Commission lend its full support to the Gallia County EMS Station project, approve the letter of support & commitment of \$45,000 cash match funding at this time. David Smith made and Joe Foster seconded the motion. Roll call votes: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Foster, yea.

**JOB & FAMILY SERVICES DIRECTOR
RICHARD STEPHENS AND AMY CORBIN/EXTENSION OFFICE**

At 1:25 p.m., the Commissioners resumed the meeting and met with Extension Service personnel and with JFS Director Dana Glassburn. Richard Stephens, Extension Service, reported that the educator position will be open to the public online and introduced newly assigned Amy Corbin to the Extension office. Programs and projects were discussed. No action taken.

Director Glassburn presented a Title XX agreement dated February 1, 2008 to May 30, 2008 for \$25,000 with Child Welfare Services. David Smith moved to approve the agreement as presented and Joe Foster seconded. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICE CONTRACT

GC Auditor Larry Betz presented the annual renewal with Local Government Services, LLC for consulting services. The agreement cost for the service is \$4,400 for duration period February 1, 2008 through January 31, 2009. David Smith moved to enter into the agreement as presented by Auditor Larry Betz and prepared by Richard F. Hoffman, President, Local Government Services, LLC. Joe Foster seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Foster, yea.

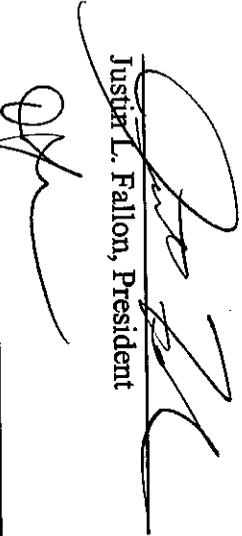
EXECUTIVE SESSION

Director Glassburn requested an executive session at 2:08 p.m. to discuss contracts. David Smith moved and Joe Foster seconded. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Mr. Fallon, yea. Returned to regular session at 3:06 p.m. No action taken in executive session.

Joe Foster made and David Smith seconded a motion to approve Job Skills Workshop, TANF number 93.558, \$8,400, for period March 1, 2008 through May 30, 2008. Roll call: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Foster, yea.

ADJOURN

At 3:17 p.m. Justin Fallon entertained a motion for adjournment. David Smith made and Joe Foster seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Foster, yea.


Justin L. Fallon, President


Barbara Unroe, Clerk


David K. Smith, Vice-President


Howard J. Foster, Member