



April 24, 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.

Justin Fallon entertained a motion for approval of the April 17, 2008 minutes. David Smith made and Joe Foster seconded a motion of approval as written. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Mr. Fallon, yea.

TRAVEL

Recorder:

Travel to Dublin OH for a continuing education seminar sponsored through the Ohio Recorder's Association. Driving my own vehicle, I will travel a total of 210 miles. Expenses will be covered by the Association, so I will request to be reimbursed for mileage only at the current rate of \$.40 per mile, total of \$84.00. Reimbursement will come from the travel fund (001.0602.530.800) which should have an adequate balance. - Roger Walker, Recorder

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

ANIMAL SHELTER REPORT

Week Ending	Adopted	Reclaimed	Euthanized	Died of natural causes	Rescued	Destroyed in field	Total Month
4/20	2	1	19	0	3	0	25

VETERANS – MEMORIAL DAY EXPENSES

Commissioners received the following requests in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code 307.66 for funds to defray the Memorial Day expenses for 2008:

Gallia County AMVETS – Post 23	\$250.00
DAV	\$250.00
Veterans of Foreign Wars – Post # 4464	\$500.00

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

ANIMAL CLAIM

Commissioners revisited the animal loss claim submitted by Dog Warden Paul Williams for the loss of one miniature pony belonging to James Yost, 2613 Wheaton Rd. According to ORC 955.29 payment of loss is not recoverable since the claimant did own an unregistered dog.

APPLICATION TO EMPLOY LEGAL COUNSEL

Commissioners received a request from Prosecutor Jeff Adkins to make application to the Gallia County Common Pleas Court, to appoint a special assistant prosecutor to assist in the prosecution of a probation violation, pursuant to ORC 309.10 and pursuant to the inherent powers of the Court. David Smith made and Joe Foster seconded a motion to approve the application for appointment as requested. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea.

BID AWARD – HARRISON FIRE EQUIPMENT PROJECT

Karen Sprague, County Administrator, advised the Commission she had discussed the two bids received on 4/17/08 for the Harrison Fire Equipment Project with both Gallia County Prosecutor Jeff Adkins and USDA Rural Development Rep. Gordon Parker. Purpose of the discussions was to determine the action the Commission should take with regard to the bids submitted. The bid from All-American Fire Equipment, Inc. had a notation to the bid form stating they would charge special make fees for special make sizes in addition to the bid amount of \$36,302.16. The other bid from Advantech Service and Parts, LLC in the amount of \$40,291.00 contained a notation it included all charges to include delivery and shipping. County Prosecutor Jeff Adkins advised that due to the following clause in the bid documents the Commission would need to reject the bid from All-American because their bid did not follow the bid document requirements and the final amount that would be charged could not be determined from the bid as submitted:

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- Bid document states the following, "The Bidder, in compliance with your invitation for bids for new fire equipment for the Harrison Township Volunteer Fire Department, having examined the specifications for the proposed equipment, and being familiar with all of the conditions of the proposed project hereby proposes to furnish all the a new fire equipment in accordance with or equivalent to the bid specifications and the contract documents, within the time set forth therein, and at the price stated below. This price is to cover all expenses incurred in provision of the equipment as specified and delivery to Harrison Township Fire Department as required under the contract documents, of which this proposal is a part."

Prosecutor further advised the Commission had no standing to reject the bid from Advantech as it was a final price and was under the project cost estimate. USDA Rural Development Representative Gordon Parker reviewed the bids and advised the same as the County Prosecutor, that USDA would not recommend awarding the contract with the clause in it for additional fees not knowing what those fees would be. Finally, Harrison Township Fire Chief Ronnie Waugh had reviewed the bids and stated he had found numerous deficiencies in the items bid by All-American and would recommend the selection of the bid submitted by Advantech. It was noted both bids are less than the project cost estimate and grant funding amounts for this project, \$42,304. Commissioner Smith moved based on the recommendation from the County Prosecutor, USDA Rep. Gordon Parker and Fire Chief Waugh to reject the bid submitted by All-American Fire Equipment due to the bid notation that special make fees would be charged for special make items and to award the bid to Advantech Service and Parts, LLC in the amount of \$40,291.00. Joe Foster seconded the motion. Roll call votes: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Foster, yea.

GOAR 07-025 DISBURSEMENT REQUEST #2 APPROVAL
VINTON VILLAGE STORM DRAINAGE STUDY PROJECT

Karen Sprague, County Administrator, presented the Commission with GOAR 07-025 disbursement request #2 forms requesting \$7,985.35 from the County's GOAR 07-025 grant for the Project Engineer (Stantec Consulting) services for the Vinton Village Storm Drainage Study. Justin Fallon entertained a motion to approve and sign the grant disbursement request #2 forms for payment of Stantec Consulting invoices as presented.

Joe Foster moved and David Smith seconded this motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Justin Fallon, yea; David Smith, yea; Howard Joe Foster, yea.

STATUS REPORT
FY 2006 SOACDF GRANT FOR THE INDUSTRIAL PARK GAS LINE PROJECT

Karen Sprague, County Administrator, presented the Commission with the Final Status Report for the County's FY 2006 SOACDF Grant for the gas line project, which must be submitted to OVRDC & SOACDF. Justin Fallon entertained a motion that the Status Report be approved and signed as presented. David Smith made and Justin Fallon seconded that motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Justin Fallon, yea; David Smith, yea; Joe Foster, abstained from vote. The form is on file in the County's SOACDF grant files.

FAIR HOUSING COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

Karen Sprague advised the Commission that all three Fair Housing Commission member terms have expired as follows:

- John Howard 12/31/04 to 12/31/07
- Josh Bodimer 3/28/05 to 3/28/08
- Herman Sprague 3/21/05 to 3/21/08

Karen Sprague advised that Herman Sprague and John Howard have agreed to accept reappoint to the Fair Housing Commission and that Tracy Call, Farmers Bank Community Development and Marketing Director, has agreed to accept appointment to the Fair Housing Commission to representing one of the regulated industries, lending institutions. Karen Sprague requested a motion for appointment and reappointments as follows:

- John Howard reappointed to the Fair Housing Commission for a three-year term from 1/1/2008 to 12/31/2010.
- Herman Sprague reappointed to the Fair Housing Commission for a three-year term from 3/22/2008 to 3/22/2011.
- Tracy Call appointed to the Fair Housing Commission for a three-year term from 3/29/08 to 3/29/2011.

Joe Foster made and David Smith seconded that motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Justin Fallon, yea, David Smith, yea; Joe Foster, yea.



SHERIFF

Major John Perry informed the Commissioners of a vehicle accident with a detectives 2002 Jeep on Brumfield Road 4/21/08. The two passengers were not injured. He submitted the lowest estimate for repair from Larry's Body Shop of \$4,386.60. David Smith moved to approve the estimate, seconded by Joe Foster. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea.

AIRPORT INTERNET CONTRACT

Information Technology Director John Grubb and Airport Authority Board President Bret Little submitted for review a one year contract with Connectlink for internet services at the airport. Since the airport is within the City boundaries, the Commissioners ask them to check with City officials for any contracted services they may have in place for internet services before signing any contracts.

SUBGRANT AGREEMENT

Commissioners received a Subgrant Agreement with the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services for State Fiscal Year 2009 in accordance with ORC Section 5101.21 which establishes the terms and conditions for your agency's receipt of funding for the period July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009. Joe Foster made and David Smith seconded a motion to approve the agreement as submitted. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea.

DJFS

DJFS Director Dana Glassburn presented a letter of support addressed to our state representatives for the Commissions review and signatures in support of "Don't Turn Away, Ohio". Commissions will review the request.

LOCAL CORRECTIONS PLANNING BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Joe Foster moved and David Smith seconded the following appointments to the Local Corrections Planning Board: Common Pleas Judge – D. Dean Evans; Municipal Judge – Margaret Evans; Chief law enforcement officer of the city – Clint Patterson; Sheriff – David Martin; Additional judiciary – William Medley; Additional corrections – Mike Smith, Chief Probation Officer Municipal Court and Joy Elliott, Probation Officer Common Pleas Court. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea.

EMS RESCUE TRUCK

As requested, EMS Director Larry Boyer submitted estimates for used rescue vehicles for comparison to the quote for new. David Smith moved that Mr. Boyer proceed with the purchase of a new rescue truck with the state purchasing contract estimate submitted from Bass Truck Center for \$40,538.10 and for the County Administrator to seek financing options for a five year term for the purchase; second by Joe Foster. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea.

ASPHALT BID AWARD

County Engineer Glenn Smith recommended that the Commissioners not award the asphalt bid. David Smith moved to reject the asphalt bids due to invalid bids, second Joe Foster. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea. The Commissioners will also follow up with the prosecutor regarding this issue.

PAINT THE TOWN PURPLE

Attending: Bonnie McFarland, Chairperson – Gallia County Relay for Life; Joan Schmidt, Relay for Life, Luminary Chairman; Dr. Alice A. Dachowski, Cancer Liaison Physician Holzer Medical Center; Ken Moore, Holzer Center for Cancer Care; Billie Handa, American Cancer Society; Karrie Davison, Paint the County Purple Committee; Carla Wamsley, Chairperson, Paint the Town Purple Committee & Relay for Life.

Representatives of Relay for Life and the American Cancer Society met to present the following proclamation for signature. After reading the proclamation, Justin Fallon entertained a motion to sign the proclamation as presented and David Smith made the motion seconded by Joe Foster. Roll call: Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea.

***A Proclamation for the American Cancer Society's
Relay For Life of Gallia County***

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Whereas, Cancer is a group of diseases characterized by uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells which, if not controlled, can result in premature death; and

Whereas, Cancer is predicted to strike one out of every three Americans sometime in our lifetime with an estimated 24,410 new cases of cancer diagnosed in Ohio in 2007; and

Whereas, Approximately 151 new cases of cancer are estimated to occur in Gallia County in 2008, and 67 Gallia County citizens are expected to lose their battle with cancer this year; and

Whereas, The American Cancer Society is the nation's largest and most respected voluntary health organization since 1913 and has funded research which has contributed to every known method for detecting cancer and techniques for treating cancer: thereby increasing the cancer survival rates from 10% to over 65%; and

Whereas, The American Cancer Society is a voluntary community-based coalition of local citizens dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem through financial support and education awareness; and

Whereas, the color purple is the signature color of the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life events signifying the passion that cancer survivors and their families and loved ones feel for the eradication of this disease, and

Whereas, the RELAY FOR LIFE event financially benefits the American Cancer Society's research and patient support programs, and educationally benefits our local citizens; and

Whereas, the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life in GALLIA COUNTY is a community event that allows an opportunity to network with businesses, associates, family and friends, with the same goal of making a difference in the battle against cancer;

Now therefore, We the Board of County Commissioners of GALLIA COUNTY, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM May 1, 2008 as PAINT OUR TOWN PURPLE DAY; and as RELAY FOR LIFE Days throughout GALLIA COUNTY. We further will urge all citizens to recognize and participate in this anticancer campaign held in our community.

Now therefore, we also PROCLAIM the recognition of the RELAY FOR LIFE event as the "PURPLE RIBBON CAMPAIGN" to show your support to those individuals living with cancer, and honor those individuals that have lost their lives to the dreaded disease of cancer.

Witnessed this 24th day of April 2008

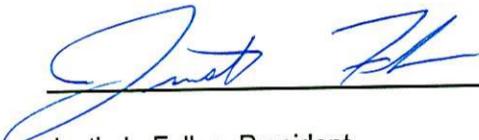
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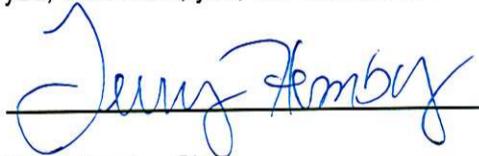
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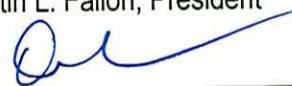
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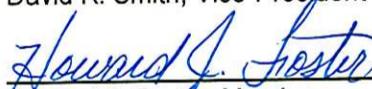
ADJOURN

At 12:10 p.m. Justin Fallon entertained a motion for adjournment. Joe Foster made and Justin Fallon seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Mr. Smith, absent.


Justin L. Fallon, President


Terry Hemby, Clerk


David K. Smith, Vice-President


Howard J. Foster, Member