

January 29, 2009

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. At 9:00 a.m. the meeting was called to order by President Justin L. Fallon. Roll Call: Mr. Justin L. Fallon present; Mr. Howard J. "Joe" Foster Vice-President, present; and Ms. Lois M. Snyder, Member, present.

President Fallon entertained a motion for approval of the January 22, 2009 minutes. Lois Snyder made and Joe Foster seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.

TRAVEL REQUESTS				
DEPARTMENT	NAME	DATE	TO	RE:
Commissioners	Justin Fallon	1/30/09	Joint Committee on Administration of Elections Meeting	Columbus
Commissioners	Karen Sprague	1/30/09	NSP Meeting	Wellston

President Fallon entertained a motion to approve travel requests as submitted. Joe Foster made and Lois Snyder seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.

ANIMAL SHELTER REPORT

Week Ending	Adopted	Reclaimed	Euthanized	Died of natural causes	Rescued	Destroyed in field	Total Month
1/25	0	4	26	0	3	0	33

FARM ROAD PROJECT

Commissioners discussed funding for Farm Road with City Commissioner Sam Davis. They informed him of additional funding that may become available and they would like to see Farm Road included. They encouraged Sam to discuss the funding opportunity with City Manager Joe Woodall. Mr. Davis left to try and catch Mr. Woodall in his office.

Mr. Davis returned a while later to inform the Commissioners that Mr. Woodall was in agreement to include Farm Rd as one of the potential projects for the funding. Amy Corbin will follow-up with Mr. Woodall to get the information she needs to submit.

CD/FCS EDUCATOR UPDATE

CD/FCS Educator Amy Corbin updated the Commissioners on the probable shovel ready projects:

- Ms. Corbin advised that the proposed new Jail does not qualify as shovel ready. A needs study is being performed but the Sheriff cannot get an estimate until they complete the Phase One Study. Phase One can be completed in two months. They are supposed to get an analysis going back 10 years and that would allow them to project the size of building we would need. County Administrator Karen Sprague will follow up with this consultant group to check the status of the study.
- Ms. Corbin distributed two letters that she had prepared: 1.) a letter of intent to Nyla Potter with the Ohio Department of Development regarding the removal of the current fuel system and installation of a new system at the Gallia Meigs Regional Airport 2.) a letter to Charlie Wilson informing him of probable projects for the Economic Stimulus Plan that will provide investments in Gallia County's infrastructure and workforce to spur job creation and retention. Commissioners wanted to include Senators Voinovich and Brown and Fred Deel on this letter.
- Ms. Corbin also distributed a news release regarding several economic development projects that had been awarded in the State to generate new investments and jobs; however, most of these were loans.

Commissioners agreed that any project that is on hold needs to be included on this list as a shovel ready project. Lois Snyder made and Joe Foster seconded the motion to send the letter to Nyla Potter with the Ohio Department of Development. Roll call: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.

Joe Foster made and Lois Snyder seconded the motion to send the letter to Charlie Wilson, Senators Voinovich and Brown and GOA Director Fred Deel informing them that we have potential projects for any funding that may be available including Farm Road. Roll call: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.

Commissioner Foster encouraged Ms. Corbin to research the notes of the Energy Committee to find the name of the consultant group contact that did the methane capture study at the landfill to follow up with them as a potential project.

KANAUGA-ADDISON SEWER PROJECT
NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY AGREEMENT

County Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with an agreement of public right of way with Norfolk Southern Railway Company for crossing the railway with the Kanauga-Addison Sewer Project. Cost for this right of way is \$1,000. Justin Fallon entertained a motion to approve and sign the agreement as presented. Lois Snyder made and Joe Foster seconded the motion. Roll call votes: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.

KANAUGA-ADDISON SEWER PROJECT
RAILROAD LICENSE/PERMIT LETTER

County Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with the following railroad license/permit letter as required by USDA for the Kanauga-Addison Sewer Project. Justin Fallon entertained a motion to approve and sign the letter as presented. Lois Snyder made and Joe Foster seconded the motion. Roll call votes: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.

1/29/09

State Director
Rural Development
United States Department of Agriculture
200 North High Street
Columbus, OH 43215

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that I have on Thursday, January 29, 2009 reviewed the license/permit from the CSX Transportation and Norfolk Southern (Railroad Company) with the Board of Gallia County Commissioners, Gallia County, OH dated 1/22/09 & 1/29/09. I have pointed out to the Board of Gallia County Commissioners that in it they agree to certain liabilities in the license/permit. It is my opinion that this license/permit is adequate for the purposes of the Kanauga/Addison Sewer Project

s/ C. Jeffrey Adkins, Gallia County Prosecuting
Attorney

We the members of the Board of Gallia County Commissioners (name of borrower's governing body and name of the borrower) have had an opportunity to question our attorney about the above referenced license/permit from CSX Transportation and Norfolk Southern. We accept full responsibility for accepting this license/permit in lieu of a perpetual easement.

s/ Justin L. Fallon, President
s/ Terry Hemby, Clerk of the Board

AIRPORT FUEL FARM REPLACEMENT PROJECT
FY 2010 FEDERAL APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST

County Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with a completed application and letter of support for FY 2010 Federal Appropriations Request for the Airport Fuel Farm Project. Justin Fallon entertained a motion to approved and sign the letter of support and appropriations request as presented. Lois Snyder moved and Joe Foster seconded that motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Justin Fallon, yea; Lois Snyder, yea; Joe Foster, yea.

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RE: Gallia-Meigs Regional Airport Fuel Farm Replacement Project

To: Whom it May Concern:

Please be advised that the Board of Gallia County Commissioners lends its full support and cooperation to the completion of the Gallia-Meigs Regional Airport Fuel Farm Replacement Project.

The completion of this project is extremely important in order to address a failing fuel system that is more than 25 years old. The Gallia-Meigs Regional Airport is the only airport in our 2 county area of southeastern Ohio and although small provides a much needed air service to private, business and corporate customers. Without a functioning fuel system all air traffic utilizing our airport would be forced to other airports and would seriously handicap the ability of our airport to survive. Airport fuel sales provide 50% of the airport's annual budget, the loss of this revenue would be devastating with no means to replace it.

The Gallia County Commissioners are pursuing every possible funding source available and need to obtain as many grants as possible to keep the airport operational.

We thank you in advance for your favorable consideration of this project for funding.

Respectfully submitted,

Gallia County Commissioners

s/ Justin L. Fallon, President s/ Howard Joe Foster, Vice-President s Lois M. Snyder, Commission Member

MERCERVILLE SEWER PROJECT
FY 2010 FEDERAL APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST

The County Administrator presented the Commission with a letter of support for FY 2010 Federal Appropriations Request for the Mercerville Sewer Project. Justin Fallon entertained a motion to approved and sign the letter of support as presented. Lois Snyder moved and Joe Foster seconded the motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Justin Fallon, yea; Lois Snyder, yea; Joe Foster, yea.

GREEN SEWER PROJECT PHASE 1
FY 2010 FEDERAL APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST

The County Administrator presented the Commission with a letter of support for FY 2010 Federal Appropriations Request for the Green Sewer Project Phase 1. Justin Fallon entertained a motion to approved and sign the letter of support as presented. Lois Snyder moved and Joe Foster seconded that motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Justin Fallon, yea; Lois Snyder, yea; Joe Foster, yea.

COUNTY VEHICLE DISCUSSION

In regard to the needed vehicle purchase for Sheriff's Department in Journal 43, Page 458; the County Administrator advised the Commission of the following prices for used 4 wheel drive vehicles for Detective Chad Wallace to replace existing vehicle with transmission going out:

- Smith's Superstore – 2005 GMC Envoy 4 wheel drive, 41,000 miles, \$13,800
- Dave's Auto Sales – 2006 Jeep Cherokee 4 wheel drive, 30,000 miles, \$13,500
- John Sang Ford – 2007 Mercury Mountaineer 4 wheel drive, 31,000 miles, \$19,500
- General Services Administration (federal purchasing website) – 2009 Ford Explorer 4 wheel drive, brand new, \$19,780.85

As an alternative, the County Administrator recommended the Commission approve the following transfer/purchase in this regard:

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- 911 Department's 2002 Ford Explorer be given to Sheriff's Detective Chad Wallace to replace existing vehicle with transmission going out
- Approve the purchase of a new 2009 Explorer for the 911 Department from the General Services Administration (federal purchasing website) in the amount of \$19,780.85 to be paid by the 911 Department
- Approve the purchase of a 2008 truck from County Engineer with salt spreader already in the back to be used by County Maintenance staff for snow removal in county parking lots to be paid from County General Fund
- Approve the transfer of the existing truck used by County Maintenance staff for snow removal to 911 Department for snow removal at 911 center, senior center, EMS and service center

Justin Fallon entertained a motion to approve the purchase and transfer of vehicles between departments as presented. Lois Snyder moved and Joe Foster seconded that motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Justin Fallon, yea; Lois Snyder, yea; Joe Foster, yea.

COUNTY FUEL SYSTEM

County Administrator Karen Sprague advised the Commission the on road diesel fuel pump on the county fuel system used by the Engineer's Office has broken and per David Clagg parts are not available to repair due to the equipments age. Cost estimates were obtained by Mr. Clagg from CH Bradshaw Company of Grove City, Ohio and Reliable Oil Equipment Inc. of Ironton, Ohio. Mr. Clagg recommended the quote from CH Bradshaw Company as follows: Pump \$3,593, Labor \$552, Hose \$80.34, Nozzle \$65.58 for a total of \$4,290.92 plus \$0.50 per mile + 10% = \$110 each way for a total of \$4,510.92. Joe Foster made and Lois Snyder seconded a motion to approve the purchase and install as presented. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Justin Fallon, yea; Lois Snyder, yea; Joe Foster, yea.

Commissioner Fallon advised a fee needs to be instituted to all entities using the fueling system (cents per gallon) so the County can recoup some of our costs for maintenance, repair and utilities to run the county fueling system. Ms. Sprague advised staff has been working on this and the billing will need to be completed by the Commissioners Office as Burlile cannot add that fee to their billing or they would need to collect sales tax on the charge.

VEHICLES**EXECUTIVE SESSION - PERSONNEL**

At 10:27 a.m. Justin Fallon entertained a motion to enter into executive session with County Administrator Karen Sprague, HR Manager Terry Hemby and Building Superintendent Tom Halfhill for personnel issues. Joe Foster made and Lois Snyder seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea. Returned to regular session at 10:42 a.m.; no action taken.

COMMISSIONER - NEW HIRES

County Administrator Karen Sprague advised that interviews were held this week for the vacant positions that were created due to two retirements last year and one recent termination. Ms. Sprague and Building Superintendent Tom Halfhill recommended the following for hire:

- Chris Keller - for nightshift maintenance at the Courthouse @ minimum wage 7.30 hour, start date 2/2/09.
- Tom Wheeler - evening shift custodial/maintenance at the Gallia County Service Center @ \$8.00 hour, start date 2/2/09.
- Amanda Saxon - dayshift housekeeping at the Courthouse @ minimum wage \$7.30 per hour start date Feb 16th.

All positions will be on a 6 month probationary period and at the end of the probationary period a 25 cent increase. Joe Foster made and Lois Snyder seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.

FAMILY SERVICES PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Family Services Planning Committee met with the Commission at 10:30 am. Fred Childers advised that they were submitting to Ohio Department of Job and Family Services a profile of Title XX services to be provided during the next two years (July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2011). The profile includes services to be provided, the estimated unduplicated number of persons to be served, and estimated total expenditures. Eligible categories are determined by the County DJFS based on allocations provided by Ohio DJFS.

The Family Services Planning Committee recommended the approval of the Title XX County Profile. Lois Snyder made and Joe Foster seconded the motion to approve as recommended by the Committee. Roll call: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea. Any changes will be made accordingly as appropriations fluctuate.

SNOW/ICE REMOVAL OF JFS LOT

Director Dana Glassburn discussed the issues he was having with snow and ice removal of their lot area. The equipment they have cannot handle the snow/ice that was received this week. Commissioners requested that Building Superintendent Tom Halfhill look at the equipment the JFS owns and see if we can work together to resolve the situation.

Mr. Halfhill returned and agreed that it would be beneficial to both entities to utilize JFS equipment and have our maintenance staff keep their lot clear of snow and ice. JFS Director agreed to allow the County to utilize the equipment for the perpetual snow and ice removal of the JFS parking lot by the County Maintenance staff.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - PERSONNEL

JFS Director Dana Glassburn requested executive session. At 11:02 a.m. Justin Fallon entertained a motion to enter into executive session with Director Glassburn for personnel issues. Joe Foster made and Lois Snyder seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea. Returned to regular session at 11:18 p.m.; no action taken.

JFS - NEW HIRES

Director Glassburn requested approval of the following lateral moves, effective 2/2/09:

- Creation of the position of Vehicle Operator 1 - 31002.5; the position Pay Range 02. Employee Mark Watson will be transferring into this position as a lateral move.

Lois Snyder made and Joe Foster seconded the motion to hire as recommended by Director Glassburn. Roll call: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.

- Summer Martyn to Income Maintenance Aide 1- Pay Range 03, this also being a lateral move.

Joe Foster made and Lois Snyder seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.

ODNR GRANT

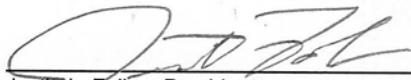
Lois Snyder made and Joe Foster seconded the motion to sign the 2009 Community Development Grant for the Solid Waste District. Roll call: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.

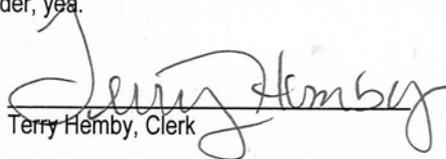
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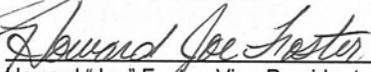
Last week, Mr. Jason Winters of Higher Ground Pet Crematory met with the Commission to offer a program to provide donations to the Gallia County Animal Shelter. They offered to provide a special urn with Gallia County's Animal Shelter's name on it for pet cremations and for each one purchased a \$20 donation will be made to the county's Animal Shelter. The Commission reviewed this with the County Prosecutor and they approved the project as long as Mr. Winters promoted the idea. Joe Foster made and Lois Snyder seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.

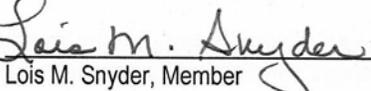
ADJOURN

At 3:37 p.m. President Fallon entertained a motion for adjournment. Lois Snyder made and Justin Fallon seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.


Justin L. Fallon, President


Terry Hemby, Clerk


Howard "Joe" Foster, Vice-President


Lois M. Snyder, Member