

APRIL 1, 2010

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 Howard "Joe" Foster. Roll Call: President Mr. Howard J. "Joe" Foster, present; Vice-President Mr. Justin L. Fallon present and Member Ms. Lois M. Snyder, present.

President Foster entertained a motion for approval of the March 25, 2010 minutes. Lois Snyder made and Justin Fallon seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Foster, abstained; Mr. Fallon, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.

TRAVEL REQUESTS				
DEPARTMENT	NAME	DATE	TO	RE:
Commissioners	Joe Foster Justin Fallon	4/8	Wellston	GJVM Solid Waste District Meeting
Economic Development	Melissa Clark Lois Clark	4/8	Marysville	Uni-ventures Facility Tour

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

Animal Shelter Canine Weekly Report										
Week Ending	# IN	Adopted	Reclaimed	Euthanized	Died (Natural Causes)	Rescued	Destroyed (in field)	# Out	In Foster Care	Remaining at Shelter
3/29	55	3	1	0	0	18	0	22	0	56

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:22 a.m. Joe Foster entertained a motion to enter into executive session with County Administrator Karen Sprague for personnel issues. Roll call: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea. Returned to regular session at 9:37 a.m.; no action taken.

LANDFILL 2009 ANNUAL REPORT

The County Administrator presented the Commission with Waste Management's, Gallia County Landfill lease hold operator, 2009 Annual Report. The following information from the report was shared with the Commission:

- Total tons for 2009 = 41,347.65
- Morgan Township revenue @ \$0.25 per ton = \$10,057.58
- Remaining tons for waste placement = 659,068
- Remaining life based on 2009 tons placed = 15.94 years

As compared to information in the 2008 report as follows:

- Total tons for 2008 = 36,260.75
- Morgan Township revenue @ \$0.25 per ton = \$8,849.69
- Remaining tons for waste placement = 612,524
- Remaining life based on 2009 tons placed = 16.90 years

DELINQUENT SEWER ACCOUNT REPORT

The County Administrator presented the Commission with the delinquent sewer account report after the 2010 1st half real estate collection was completed. The information presented was as follows:

- General Sewer District – delinquent accounts total \$1,552.70
- Bidwell/Porter Sewer District – delinquent accounts total \$55,698.41

The County Administrator reported the following to the Commission:

- Very pleased with the collections on the general sewer district as it went from \$6,895.67 on 12/31/09 to \$1,552.70 after first half real estate collection.
- However, BP Sewer did not fair quite as well. It has delinquencies of \$62,475.80 on 12/31/09 and went to \$55,698.41 after first half real estate collection. This is way too high, since BP Sewer Department's operating budget for an entire year is only \$73,000.
- Each year, for the past several years, USDA has contacted our office with concerns over the high rate of delinquencies at BP Sewer. They monitor this very thoroughly because they want to be sure we will continue to be able to make our annual loan payment to them.
- The County has raised BP Sewer rates twice recently, \$1.50 per month on 2/1/06 and \$2.00 per month on 4/1/09. Increases will need to be continued unless the delinquencies can be reduced.

Commissioners stated they will meet with the Treasurer and Prosecutor to see how this can be resolved and the delinquencies reduced as soon as possible.

GREEN TOWNSHIP PHASE 1 SEWER 2010 WPCLF APPLICATION

The County Administrator presented the Commission with the 2010 WPCLF application for Round 2 stimulus funding for the Green Township Phase 1 Sewer Project. It was noted the application included the following:

- Service area for 1,300 in population to include 517 homes
- Wastewater volume of 100,000 gallons per day
- 53,000 LF of 8 inch sanitary sewer, 1629 manholes, 15,900 LF of 6 inch service line, 26,300 LF of 4 and 6 inch force main
- Planning costs = \$116,700
- Design, engineering and construction management costs = \$1,307,525
- Construction costs = \$6,725,775
- Total project costs = \$8,150,000

Application is due to EPA by 4/1/2010. Lois Snyder moved and Justin Fallon seconded a motion to approve and sign the application as submitted. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Joe Foster, absent for vote; Justin Fallon, yea; Lois Snyder, yea.

REVIEW RECORD - B-F-09-025-1

CERTIFICATION OF DETERMINATION FOR A CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION PROJECT

The County Administrator presented the Commission with the paperwork for approval of the Environmental Review Record for the following project for which a certification of determination for a categorical exclusion project could be made:

- #1-Centerville Village – Parks & Recreation Project (Playground Equipment Project)

Joe Foster entertained a motion to approve the forms as presented. Justin Fallon made and Lois Snyder seconded that motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Joe Foster, yea; Justin Fallon, yea; Lois Snyder, yea.

All forms were signed by Joe Foster, as President of the Commission, and they are on file in the County's CDBG files.

AIRPORT MOWER PURCHASE APPROVAL

The County Administrator presented the Commission with information from the Airport Board regarding the need for a new mower for the Airport. The Airport Board recommends the purchase of a belly deck mower for the new Kubota tractor they have at the airport. Quotes were obtained as follows for options for a mower to be used with the Kubota tractor:

- Jividen's Farm Equipment, Gallipolis, Ohio – 60" belly mower - \$1,795.00
- Jim's Farm Equipment, Gallipolis, Ohio – 60" King Kutter pull behind mower - \$1,040.00

Airport Board does not recommend the pull behind mower because they feel it is too heavy for the mower and could cause damage to the new runway lights. Lois Snyder moved and Justin Fallon seconded the motion to award the project to Jividen's Farm Equipment in the amount of \$1,795 based on the recommendation of the Airport Board. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Joe Foster, yea; Justin Fallon, yea; Lois Snyder, yea.

911 AGENCY UPDATE

Director Sherry Daines updated the Commissioners on the agency. All things are going very well with no issues at this time. A current staff member is assisting her with the day to day paperwork, starting with payroll at this time and it is working out very well. There have been no major equipment problems; the MARCs system is complete with the Sheriff's office; the city has had theirs installed for a couple of weeks and have been working on repeater issues for a couple of weeks but is working well as of today. This allows for clear communication even in the most remote areas of the county. Daines also advised that union contract negotiations will be starting soon.

WORK RELEASE CENTER BUDGET

Sheriff Joe Browning submitted a draft Work Release Center budget for the Commissioners consideration. Total start up costs for one year operation is estimated at \$39,035.00. After discussion with the Sheriff and upon his recommendation, Lois Snyder made and Justin Fallon seconded the motion to approve a transfer of \$20,000 from unanticipated emergency's to Fund 190 Community Corrections Grant for a six month start up costs of the work release center budget. Roll call: Mr. Foster, yea; Mr. Fallon, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.

NACO PRESCRIPTION PROGRAM

DJFS Director Dana Glassburn advised he had been discussing a prescription insurance card that is run through NACo (National Association of Counties) with County Administrator Karen Sprague. The NACo Prescription Discount Card Program was designed for uninsured and underinsured county residents. Through a partnership with Caremark, this simple discount card can save an average of 23% off the full retail cost of prescription medication. Here are the key factors that make it a great program;

- **It is easy to participate.** There are no enrollment fees, no forms to fill out, no age or income requirements, and no medical condition restrictions. The entire family is covered with just one card and virtually all commonly prescribed medicine is covered;
- **There are no costs.** There is no cost to the county, county taxpayers, or consumers to participate. Caremark negotiates the discounts directly with participating pharmacies. Neither NACo nor the participating counties receive any revenue from the program;
- **Everyone is eligible.** The discount cards are provided free to residents living in participating NACo member counties across the country. A national network of more than 59,000 retail pharmacies honor the card;
- **Consumers always receive the lowest retail price.** On occasion, pharmacies will price a particular medication lower than the discount rate available with the NACo card. If that occurs, consumers will receive the lower price. Either way, consumers will always receive the best price available.

Glassburn stated that the Commissioners must sign a contract through NACo for the program and provide a place for residents to pick up the card; all pharmacies in county participate. This would **not** assist those on Medicaid, but it would help the Senior Citizens on Medicare. There is no cost to the county, but provides an avenue of savings to our citizens. Glassburn suggested DJFS as a pick up site and Sprague advised that all agencies participating in the Continuum of Care would also probably be glad to serve as a pick up location. The Commissioners encouraged Glassburn to contact bordering counties and obtain more information on this program, pros and cons. Anytime we can help our citizens it is worth looking into.

DJFS BUDGET REVIEW

Glassburn distributed and reviewed a highlight of what they believe the current status of their grants are at this moment. Liquidation date ends 12/31/2010 and 6/30/2010, different end dates are based on grant dates. Biggest problem in TANF is Regular and Admin funds. This used to be all one line item and they used it to assist with PRC payroll. Now TANF Regular can only be used for admin. It is very difficult to utilize these funds for different programs now.

WIA held trainings this week with staff in from Area 7. They advised there is an extra \$100,000 for unemployed (dislocated workers) individuals to attend different types of schools to obtain additional training and this has been requested and we are hopeful it will be approved.

We are currently holding our own and in better shape than some other counties.

Glassburn also updated the Commission on the upcoming Presumptive Medicaid for Children. According to the 2000 census there are 77,000 children not receiving Medicaid that should be. This program will be part of the process to accomplish this. They will be presumed to be eligible for 60 days and during this time, staff will review and approve their eligibility. Foster questioned, if JFS staff is not able to approve before the 60 days, who is the liable entity in that situation. Glassburn advised that at that time, you must do an automatic 60 days on top of that. The Federal Government determines the policy and the state will be paying for it. The state believes the overall incentive is worth the risk.

GALLIPOLIS IN BLOOM COMMITTEE

Bev Dunkle, President of the Gallipolis in Bloom Committee met with the Commission and distributed a newsletter describing the activities of the committee and solicited any donations. Dunkle advised that the 2010 theme is "Many Hands, Many Flowers, One Community", what benefits one benefits all. They are looking for new ideas, more membership, willing workers and a beautiful community. The colors for this year will be pinks and lavender/lilac. We want to increase volunteerism, recycling, and flowering. Studies show that people who volunteer and give back are healthier and happier and the community also prospers.

The Community planting day is scheduled for May 1st at 10 a.m., meeting in the City Park next to the clock with special planting of a tree in the park at 1:00 p.m. in honor of Arbor Day. Dunkle also shared the levels of sponsorships and more information is available online at www.americainbloom.org. Gallipolis is a Four Bloom rating community and are envied by other counties and are assisting several counties that are beginning the program.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 11:12 a.m. Joe Foster entertained a motion to enter into executive session with Sanitarian Barb Bradley for personnel issues. Lois Snyder made and Justin Fallon seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea. Returned to regular session at 11:26 p.m.; no action taken.

TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING

The TIRC Committee held their meeting here at 1:03 pm. Commission President Joe Foster is a member of this committee.

GRAVEL VALLEY SCHOOL RD

1:30 p.m. - Residents Mr. & Mrs. Larry Murray distributed pictures and expressed concerns over the upkeep of Gravel Valley School Rd. He has been 17 years trying to get something done. They would just like to have the trustees take the grader out just a little ways past them. They cannot get emergency vehicles out in this area and when they have phone problems the phone company refuses to come. As directed by the Trustees, they fixed their portion of the drive way to the township section, but nothing further was done. He asks that the Commissioners make a personal visit to view the area themselves. He has discussed this with the Trustees and has done what they have asked him to do and it has gone no further. Mr. Murray left a copy of the pictures with the Commissioners.

Commissioners advised that they would follow up with the Trustees in the area.

NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH HEALTHIER COUNTIES

Lois Snyder made and Justin Fallon seconded the motion to approve the following proclamation. Roll call: Mr. Fallon, yea; Mr. Foster, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.

National County Government Month April 2010 "Healthier Counties"

WHEREAS, the nation's 3,068 counties provide a variety of essential public services to communities serving 300 million Americans; and

WHEREAS, Gallia County and all counties take seriously their responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare and safety of its residents in sensible and cost-effective ways; and

WHEREAS, county governments are integral to America's healthcare system and are unique in their responsibility to both finance and deliver health services through public hospitals and clinics, local health departments, long-term care facilities, mental health services and substance abuse treatment, and coverage programs for the uninsured; and

WHEREAS, as employers, counties provide health insurance benefits to nearly three million county employees and their retirees nationwide; and

WHEREAS, since 1991 the National Association of Counties has encouraged counties across the country to actively promote county government programs and services to raise public awareness and understanding about the roles and responsibilities of the nation's counties to meet the needs of the community; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Counties and Gallia County are working together to Restore the Partnership among all levels of government to better serve American communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT we, the Gallia County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 2010 as National County Government Month in Gallia County and in doing so, recognize the Gallia County Health Department Board & Staff for promoting essential county health care services, healthy living and recreation programs to our citizens. By providing these services, our County is a Healthier County. We encourage all Gallia County officials, employees, schools and residents to take advantage of these services.

s/Howard J. Foster, President

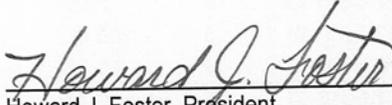
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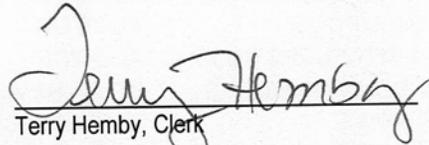
s/Justin Fallon, Vice President

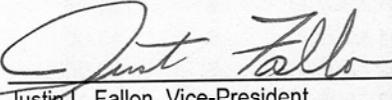
s/Lois M. Snyder, Member

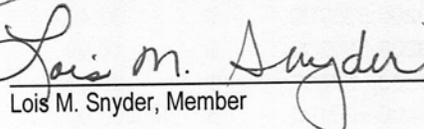
ADJOURN

At 2:15 p.m. President Foster entertained a motion for adjournment. Justin Fallon made and Lois Snyder seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Foster, yea; Mr. Fallon, yea; Ms. Snyder, yea.


Howard J. Foster, President


Terry Hemby, Clerk


Justin L. Fallon, Vice-President


Lois M. Snyder, Member