

MAY 7, 2015

The Gallia County Board of Commissioners met on this date for the purpose of approving the minutes of the previous meeting and current transfers, appropriations and bills. At 9:00 a.m. the meeting was called to order by President Brent Saunders. Roll Call: President Brent Saunders, present; Vice President Harold G. Montgomery, present; Commissioner David K. Smith, present.

The President entertained a motion for approval of the April 30, 2015 minutes. David K. Smith made and Harold G. Montgomery seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Saunders, yea.

TRAVEL REQUESTS				
DEPARTMENT	NAME	DATE	TO	RE:
Auditor	Larry M. Betz	5/8	Muskingum County	CAAO district meeting

The President entertained a motion to approve travel requests as submitted. David K. Smith made and Harold G. Montgomery seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Saunders, yea.

2015 Canine Shelter Weekly Report														
Week Ending	Came in	Adopted	Reclaimed	Euthanized	Out to Rescue	MIA	Died (Natural or unknown Causes)	Destroyed (in field)	Total Out	Remaining at shelter	Out to County Foster	In from County Foster	Died in Foster (Natural or Unknown Causes)	Total in Foster
5/3	7	5	1	0	1	0	1	0	8	30	1	0	0	1

OEPA MERCERVILLE WWTP RESPONSE LETTER

County Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with a response letter to OEPA for the Mercerville WWTP. The President entertained a motion to approve the letter as presented. David K. Smith made and Harold G. Montgomery seconded that motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Brent Saunders, yea; Harold Montgomery, yea; David Smith, yea.

CORSA AIRPORT PERFORMANCE BOND

County Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with the performance bond from CORSA that covers the \$11,000 deductible for the underground fuel storage tank at the Airport. The President entertained a motion to approve and sign the bond as presented. Harold G. Montgomery made and David K. Smith seconded that motion. Upon roll call votes were as follows: Brent Saunders, yea; Harold Montgomery, yea; David Smith, yea.

AIRPORT – 2015 ANNUAL FEE ASSESSMENT – UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS

County Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with the 2015 annual fee assessment for the 1 underground storage tanks located at the Gallia-Meigs Regional Airport for approval and signage. The President entertained a motion to approve the form with \$11,000 deductible per tank at a fee of \$600 per tank for a total of \$600. David K. Smith moved and Harold G. Montgomery seconded a motion. Roll call votes: Mr. Saunders, yea; Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea.

LEASE EXTENSION – DRIVERS EXAM AT SERVICE CENTER

County Administration Karen Sprague presented the Commission with a lease extension (Addendum No. 7) from the Ohio Department of Public Safety for the Drivers Examination Office Space at the Gallia County Service Center for Suite A, 707 sq ft. The Ohio Department of Public Safety is requesting to renew the lease for the 2 year period of 7/1/2015 – 6/30/2017, annual rental rate will remain the same at \$6,600, payments to be made quarterly in the amount of \$1,650 per quarter. The current lease expires 6/30/2015. The President entertained a motion to approve and sign the lease extension as presented. Harold G. Montgomery made and David K. Smith seconded the motion. Roll call votes: Mr. Saunders, yea; Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea.

APRIL 2015 FINANCIAL REPORT REVIEW

County Administrator Karen Sprague presented the Commission with:

- The April 2015 Financial Reports for comparison with the April 2014 Financial Reports. The following was noted during the review:
 - 1/1/2014 beginning cash balance was \$983,581.01
 - 1/1/2015 beginning cash balance was \$956,487.70
 - Difference of (\$27,093.31)
 - 4/30/2014 ending cash balance was \$1,069,949.08
 - 4/30/2015 ending cash balance was \$1,435,164.71
 - Difference of \$365,215.63
 - Reviewed the 2015 8th Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources

HOTEL LODGING TAX DISTRIBUTION

Commissioners received the distribution of the 1ST. quarter 2015 hotel lodging tax from the County Auditor reporting \$31,161.22 being made to the Ohio Valley Visitor's Center. The report is on file in the Commissioners office.

PARK DISTRICT BIKE TRAIL SLIP

Park District Director Paul Covey reported to the Commission that he had spoken to the County Engineer regarding the bike trail slip and he will be providing an estimate to repair the slip within the week. Commission advised they will review the project further once the estimate is received. No action taken.

2015 2nd. CAUCUS MEETING

Commissioners and County Administrator Karen Sprague left the office at 10:00 am to attend the 2nd. Round Caucus meeting with OVRDC for FY 2015 in the second floor meeting room. Returned to meeting at 10:30 am.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL

At 10:34 a.m. the President entertained a motion to enter into executive session with JFS Director Dana Glassburn to discuss personnel issues, resignation, disciplinary action and negotiations. David K. Smith made and Harold G. Montgomery seconded the motion. Returned to regular session at 11:00 a.m.; no action taken.

CDBG FY 2015 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT
2ND PUBLIC HEARING FY 2015 CD ALLOCATION & SET ASIDE GRANTS

At 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 7, 2015, the 2nd Public Hearing for the FY 2015 CDBG Community Development Allocation & Set Aside Grants was held. Mr. Saunders called the public hearing to order. Those present were Commissioners Saunders, Montgomery and Smith, County Administrator Karen Sprague, Commissioners Clerk Lana Lane, and members from the public (see attached sign in sheet).

Commissioner Saunders requested that Karen Sprague, CDBG Coordinator, review the 5 applications that were submitted for funding totaling \$356,859 in grant requests as follows:

- *Clay Township – Street Improvements Project – National Objective: LMI Area Benefit – Grant Request \$175,359; Local Match \$90,576; Total Project Cost \$265,935*
- *Gallia County Council on Aging – Public Facility Project – National Objective: LMI Limited Clientele under category 7 Elderly Persons – Grant Request \$29,500*
- *Gallia County Engineer – Street Improvements Project – National Objective: LMI Area Benefit – Grant Request \$38,500; Local Match \$24,017; Total Project Cost \$68,517*
- *Morgan Township – Street Improvements Project – National Objective: LMI Area Benefit – Grant Request \$63,500; Local Match \$3; Total Project Cost \$63,503*
- *Ohio Township – Street Improvement Project – National Objective: LMI Area Benefit – Grant Request \$50,000; Local Match \$3,490; Total Project Cost \$53,490*

Mr. Saunders advised the county has been allocated \$93,000 in Community Development Allocation grant funding and is allowed to utilize up to 20% of the funding for administration and fair housing and the county is allowed to fund up to 3 projects. Mr. Smith further noted the county is eligible for another CDBG grant program titled Critical Infrastructure Program. The CI Program is a competitive set-aside grant program to assist communities with high priority, single-component infrastructure improvements such as street improvements (e.g. slip repairs, bridge replacement, etc.), flood drainage infrastructure, culvert replacement, water & sanitary sewer infrastructure that do not qualify for the Water/Sewer competitive grant program. Max Award for CI Program is \$300,000.

Mr. Saunders then requested that Karen Sprague review the projects that have been selected for funding. The selection was based on outcomes from the regular rating sheets and the projects to be funded from the FY 2015 CDBG Community Development Allocation Grant are as follows:

- ❖ *Clay Township - Bear Run Road Bridge Replacement & Road Paving Project - Grant \$10,000*
- ❖ *Gallia County Council on Aging – Senior Center Roof Repairs Project – Grant \$29,000; Local Match \$500; Total \$29,500*
- ❖ *Morgan Township – Frederick Road Paving Project – Grant \$35,400; Local Match \$28,100; Total \$63,500 (If Morgan Township cannot provide the match requested, they will have the option to reduce the scoop of their project to within the amount of grant funds offered)*
- ❖ *Fair Housing & Administration - \$18,600.00*
- ❖ *Total CDBG CD Allocation grant amount of \$93,000*

Ms. Sprague further advised the following project is proposed for the 2015 CDBG Critical Infrastructure Program grant funding as follows:

- ❖ *\$165,400 – Clay Township – Bear Run Road Bridge Replacement & Road Paving Project Street Improvement Project – CI Grant \$155,000 + \$10,400 RLF Fund; Local Match \$90,576; Total \$255,976*

Commissioner Saunders opened the floor for discussion of the projects. Several questions were asked and answered. Ms. Sprague offered other possible funding sources to those not receiving CDBG funding this year. Commission asked all applicants not funded to reapply next year.

Mr. Saunders entertained a motion to approve the projects for funding as stated. Mr. Smith made and Mr. Montgomery seconded that motion. Roll call votes: Mr. Saunders, yea; Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea.

Commissioner Montgomery noted to those in attendance that these are county projects on behalf of the Townships and the Gallia County Council on Aging as chosen, that the county will write and submit the full application to the Ohio Development Services Agency which is due 6/26/2015. A grant agreement will be received dated September 1, 2015 and then the County is required to complete an Environmental Review prior to the beginning of the projects. Karen Sprague advised that she will try to complete the ERR's as early as possible so that the projects can be bid out this fall. Mr. Montgomery emphasized that the County will be responsible for bidding and awarding these projects and that the entities awarded cannot proceed with any part of the projects on their own. Also, for the projects that noted a portion of the project to be completed by local match they will have to wait until the environmental review has been completed, approved and released by the ODSA before they can do any of the work.

s/ Karen Sprague

Karen Sprague, CDBG Coordinator

NATIONAL NURSING HOME WEEK PROCLAMATION

The President entertained a motion to proclaim the following:

**PROCLAMATION
NATIONAL NURSING HOME WEEK**

WHEREAS, our community is stronger because we honor and respect our elders, and citizens of any age with physical or intellectual disabilities, who reside at a skilled nursing or post-acute care center in Gallia County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, these citizens have made important contributions to the success and growth of our county; and

WHEREAS, skilled nursing centers are holding events in observance of National Nursing Home Week May 10 to 16, using this year's theme of "**Bring on the Fiesta**" and guided by the American Health Care Association; and

WHEREAS, we urge all citizens to visit a loved one, friend, or neighbor being cared for in any setting and offer a kind word and a personal touch to show your continuing support; and

WHEREAS, our administration is committed to quality health care and a continuously improving quality of life, we take this moment to embrace the spirit of "Bring on the Fiesta" and wish all residents, patients, caregivers, other staff and visitors to skilled nursing centers a week-long festival of "family, life, and love", and

THEREFORE WE, THE GALLIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, declare the week of

May 10 – 16, 2015 as National Nursing Home Week

and adopt the theme of "**Bring on the Fiesta**" as our way of celebrating with vigor and good times as one way to honor all citizens who reside at a skilled nursing or post-acute care center.

This proclamation shall take effect upon its signing this h day of May, 2015.

s/ Brent Saunders, President

s/ Harold G. Montgomery, Vice-President

s/ David K. Smith, Commissioner

David K. Smith made and Harold G. Montgomery seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Saunders, yea.

NATIONAL NURSES WEEK PROCLAMATION

The President entertained a motion to proclaim the following:

**PROCLAMATION
NATIONAL NURSES WEEK**

Whereas, The nearly 3.1 million registered nurses in the United States comprise our nation's largest health care profession, and

Whereas, The depth and breadth of the registered nursing profession meets the different and emerging health care needs of the American population in a wide range of settings, and

Whereas, The American Nurses Association, as the voice for the registered nurses of this country, is working to chart a new course for a healthy nation that relies on increasing delivery of primary and preventive health care, and

Whereas, A renewed emphasis on primary and preventive health care will require better utilization of all of our nation's registered nursing resources, and

Whereas, Professional nursing has been demonstrated to be an indispensable component in the safety and quality of care of hospitalized patients, and

Whereas, The demand for registered nursing services will be greater than ever because of the aging of the American population, the continuing expansion of life-sustaining technologies and the explosive growth of home health care services, and

Whereas, More qualified registered nurses will be needed in the future to meet the increasingly complex needs of health care consumers in this community, and

Whereas, The cost-effective, safe and quality health care services provided by registered nurses will be an ever more important component of the U.S. health care delivery system in the future, and

Whereas, Along with the American Nurses Association, Holzer Health System has declared the week of May 6-12 as National Nurses Week with the theme – "**Ethical Practice. Quality Care.**" in celebration of the ways in which registered nurses strive to provide safe and high quality patient care and map out the way to improve our health care system, therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the Gallia County Commissioners, ask that all residents of this state/community join me in honoring the registered nurses who care for all of us, and be it further

Resolved, That the residents of Gallia County celebrate registered nursing's accomplishments and efforts to improve our health care system and show our appreciation for the nation's registered nurses not just during this week, but at every opportunity throughout the year.

David K. Smith made and Harold G. Montgomery seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Saunders, yea. In attendance were: Karrie Davison, Holzer Health System Communications Coordinator; Amy Showalter, Holzer Health System Chief Nursing Officer; Sarah Waddell, Holzer Health System Clinical Nurse Manager; Lisa Stepp, Holzer Health System Nurse Navigator; Lacey Bailey, Holzer Health System, Nurse Educator. Sarah Waddell thanked the Commissioners and the community for their continued support.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Harold G. Montgomery made and David K. Smith seconded the motion to proclaim the following at noon on the front steps of the Courthouse; Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, absent; Mr. Saunders, yea.

**RESOLUTION
FOR A
NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER**

WHEREAS, we are one nation under God; and

WHEREAS, nationally May 7, 2015, is recognized as the National Day of Prayer; and

WHEREAS, the theme chosen by the National Day of Prayer Task Force for the 2015 National Day of Prayer is Lord, Hear Our Cry, emphasizing the need for individuals, corporately and individually, to place their faith in the unfailing character of their Creator, who is sovereign over all governments, authorities, and men. This Task Force has chosen I Kings 8:28 as the Scripture for this year: "Hear the cry and the prayer that your servant is praying in your presence this day."

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Board of Commissioners of Gallia County, do hereby recognize the National Day of Prayer, Thursday, May 7, 2015, for all citizens in Gallia County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we urge all Gallia County citizens to pray for our nation and community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we invite all Gallia County citizens to meet at the Gallia County Courthouse on Thursday, May 7, 2015, at 12:00 o'clock noon to pray together.

This resolution shall take effect upon its signing this 7th day of May, 2015. Therefore Be it Resolved, that we, the Gallia County Board of Commissioners, in adopting this resolution, recognize the

May 7, 2015 as the National Day of Prayer

and in so doing, encourage all citizens in Gallia County to participate in the many programs and activities associated with this noteworthy observance.

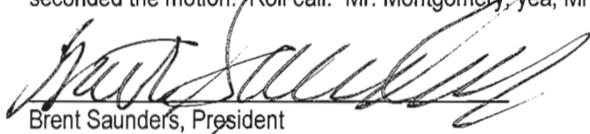
s/ Brent Saunders, President
s/ Harold G. Montgomery, Vice President
s/ David K. Smith, Commissioner

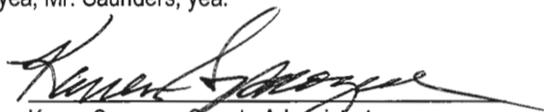
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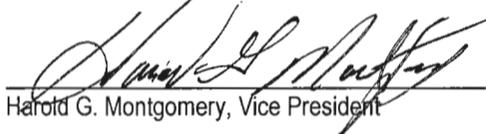
At 1:30 a.m. the President entertained a motion to enter into executive session with Workers Comp Coordinator Melissa to discuss a legal matter via teleconference with Attorney David Riepenhoff. David K. Smith made and Harold G. Montgomery seconded the motion. Returned to regular session at 2:00 a.m.; no action taken.

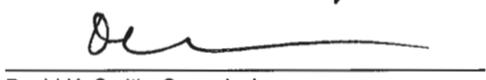
ADJOURN

At 4:00 p.m. the President entertained a motion for adjournment. David K. Smith made and Harold G. Montgomery seconded the motion. Roll call: Mr. Montgomery, yea; Mr. Smith, yea; Mr. Saunders, yea.


Brent Saunders, President


Karen Sprague, County Administrator
(Minutes recorded by Clerk Lana J. Lane)


Harold G. Montgomery, Vice President


David K. Smith, Commissioner