

TUESDAY, MARCH 29, 2022
OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PICKAWAY COUNTY, OHIO

The Pickaway County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session in their office located at 139 West Franklin Street, Circleville, Ohio, on Tuesday, March 29, 2022, with the following members present: Mr. Jay H. Wippel, Mr. Harold R. Henson, and Mr. Gary K. Scherer. April Dengler, County Administrator, was also in attendance.

In the Matter of
Minutes Approved:

Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to approve the minutes from March 22, 2022, with corrections.

Voting on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

Attest: Angela Karr, Clerk

In the Matter of
Bills Approved for Payment:

Commissioner Harold Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Gary Scherer, to adopt the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the bills have been found to be properly filed and their respective vouchers shall be cross-referenced to the approving pages dated March 30, 2022, in the Commissioners' Voucher Journal, the date in which checks will be cut; then,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Pickaway County Commissioners orders the Auditor of Pickaway County, Ohio, to draw her warrant on this entry in the amount of \$180,628.37 on the County Treasurer to satisfy the same.

Voting on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

Attest: Angela Karr, Clerk

In the Matter of
Then and Now Certification Approved for Payment:

Commissioner Harold Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Gary Scherer, to adopt the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Auditor certifies that both at the time that the following contracts or orders were made and at the time that a certification (Section 5705.41) was completed, sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appointed and free from any previous encumbrance. The Then and Now Certification has been found to be properly filed and their respective vouchers shall be cross-referenced to the approving pages dated March 30, 2022, in the Commissioners' Voucher Journal, the date in which checks will be cut; then,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Pickaway County Commissioners, as Taxing Authority are authorizing the Auditor of Pickaway County, Ohio, to draw her warrant on this entry in the amount of \$8,521.22 on the County Treasurer to satisfy the same.

Voting on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

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**In the Matter of
Transfers and Reappropriations Approved:**

Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to approve the following requests for TRANSFER AND REAPPROPRIATIONS:

**\$400.00 – 112.2094.5212 – PERS LE SPRF Logan Elm SRO- Sheriff
TO
112.2094.5201 – PERS SPRF logan Elm SRO – Sheriff**

**\$23,889.54 – 928.1262.5102 – Spec. Docket Subs Grant Juvenile Court Salaries – Juvenile
TO
928.1262.5901 – Spec. Docket Subs Grant Juvenile Court Other Expenses – Juvenile**

**\$3,352.44 – 928.1262.5201 – Spec. Docket Subs Grant Juvenile PERS – Juvenile
TO
928.1262.5901 – Spec. Docket Subs Grant Juvenile Court Other Expenses – Juvenile**

**\$350.84 – 928.1262.5202 – Spec. Docket Subs Grant Juvenile Court Medicare – Juvenile
TO
928.1262.5901 – Spec. Docket Subs Grant Juvenile Court Other Expenses- Juvenile**

**\$146.03 – 928.1262.9205 – Spec. Docket Subs Grant Juvenile Court Workers Comp – Juvenile
TO
928.1262.5901 – Spec. Docket Subs Grant Juvenile Court Other Expenses – Juvenile**

**\$905.62 – 928.1262.5301 – Spec. Docket Subs Grant Juvenile Court Supplies – Juvenile
TO
928.1262.5901 – Spec. Docket Subs Grant Juvenile Court Other Expenses – Juvenile**

**\$17,900.00 – 928.1262.5440 – Spec. Docket Subs Grant Juvenile Court Contract Services – Juvenile
TO
928.1262.5901 – Spec. Docket Subs Grant Juvenile Court Other Expenses - Juvenile**

Voting on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

Attest: Angela Karr, Clerk

**In the Matter of
Fund Transfers:**

Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to approve the following requests for FUND TRANSFER:

**\$44,000.00 – 101.11055704 – County Match Crime Victims – Victims of Crime
TO
234.0000.4556 – Local Share Crime Victim – Victims of Crime**

Voting on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

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**In the Matter of
New Line Items:**

Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to approve the following requests for NEW LINE ITEMS:

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928.1262.5901 – Spec. Docket Subs Grant Juvenile Court Other Expenses – Juvenile

Voting on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

Attest: Angela Karr, Clerk

**In the Matter of
Blanket Purchase Order:**

Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to approve the following requests for BLANKET PURCHASE ORDER:

**\$46,544.47 – 928.1262.5901 – Spec. Docket Subs Grant Juvenile Court Other Expense – Juvenile
PO # BL-220440**

Voting on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

Attest: Angela Karr, Clerk

**In the Matter of
Waiver Approved:**

Nancy Graham, Fiscal Specialist, requested a waiver to pay CINTAS, in a timely manner related to the Building Department Uniforms. After discussing the request, Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to waive the waiting period to issue payment to CINTAS, in the amount of \$574.13 as follows:

\$574.13 #101.1108.5484 Building Department Uniforms

Voting on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

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Nancy Graham, Fiscal Specialist, requested a waiver to pay CINTAS, in a timely manner related to the Maintenance Department Uniforms. After discussing the request, Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to waive the waiting period to issue payment to CINTAS, in the amount of \$851.39 as follows:

\$851.39 #101.1102.5484 Maintenance Department Uniforms

Voting on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

Attest: Angela Karr, Clerk

**In the Matter of
Report Provided by Gary Cameron:**

The following is a summary of the report provided by Gary Cameron, EMA Director.

- Last week Tom Swisher will be attending the ODC/CRC Meeting March 25th.
- This week the Mr. Cameron will attend the Healthcare Coalition Meeting March 28th.
- Next Week the Mr. Cameron will be attending an CISA Active Shooter Webinar and Box 65 Meeting April 5th and MSA Regional EMA Meeting April 6th.
- General Information

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- COVID admissions in Central Ohio area remain low.
- Department of Corrections reports a growing concern for contraband thrown over fences at their Orient facilities.
- The Circleville Duchess shop (235 E. Main St) hosting a grand opening celebration on 4/7/22 at 11am.
- EMA Projects
 - Enterprise Products Inc is hosting a full-scale preparedness drill at Deer Creek State Park in August. The drill will focus on pipeline disasters specific to Pickaway County.
 - Effort underway to identify first responders in need of ICS/NIMS training as required by FEMA standards. Sense of urgency due to the upcoming disaster exercises.
 - Effort underway to conduct an EMA equipment/supply inventory audit.
- Issues requiring Commissioners Support/Notification:
 - NIMS training available to County Executives.

In the Matter of
Report Provided by Darrin Flick:

The following is a summary of the report provided by Darrin Flick, Public Safety Advisor/ E911 Coordinator.

- Last week Mr. Flick answered email/invites and forwarding to EMA Dir with explanations, drone support to Sheriff March 22nd, provided MSAG 911 Updates March 24th and provided support as required
- This week Mr. Flick provided MSAG 911 updates March 28th, answered email/invites and forwarding to EMA Director with explanations, providing support as required and wrapping up end of quarter – prep for grant submission.
- Next Week Mr. Flick will be answering email/invites and forwarding to EMA Director with explanations, providing support as required and wrapping up end of quarter – prep for grant submission.

In the Matter of
IT Department Report:

The following is a summary of the report provided by Robert Adkins, Pickaway County IT Department Director:

- SO Team Meeting – March 22, 2022
 - Relabeling the patch panels – Priority one
 - Teams Meeting Group created by Eric – Get everyone onboard and expand its use
 - ALMS setup – Eric has ticket open for adding modems – half are done
 - Getting rid of Tracar – To be replaced by reliable third party. Robert to invite Verizon and research County Garage solution
 - Wild Card Cert to SO Website – Eric assigned
 - Nextcloud replacement - Eric assigned
 - Group Policy modification and Home Drive Mapping – Carlton assigned
 - Dispatch #4 Testing with Individual Login – Carlton assigned
 - 3/23/2022 call with FreedomLinks and Zercher to discuss Admin Lines dropping from dispatch Poloycom phone then taking up to 30 minutes before reconnecting (**UPDATE: Zercher bailed on call will reschedule, will discuss with Freedomlinks and also discuss migration of phones to Meraki**)
- Eric Migrated to new network and testing. Phones need addressed with Freedomlinks due to Sophos firewall.
- Call with Freedomlink to discuss migration of phones to new network
- Veeam DAS Array repaired, and backups resumed
- Rick deploying desktops – Auditor office completed and started on Treasurer’s office
- Website Jobs page updated
- Updates to SO website completed
- Meet with BOE and SOS on Weekly call.
- Meeting with Verizon Tuesday at 10:30 to discuss the phones for SO

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- Met with IPS at Dog Shelter for IP changes
- Call with BOE concerning vulnerability scans. Moving to Authenticated Vulnerability scanning.
- Met with Jason Brentlinger to repair fiber for connecting switches for IPS Cameras

Moved EOC and Service Center to SM fiber

In the Matter of
Report Provided by Marc Rogols:

The following is a summary of the report provided by Marc Rogols, County Administrator:

- There were no BWC claims, or unemployment claims filed for the week. A disputed claim from Developmental Disabilities. Mike Pelcic attended the hearing by telephone. Unemployment upheld/largest % on previous employer.
- The last three auctions for the Highway Garage have been paid. The Cummins Mack Drill Press sold for \$92.00, two Craftsman Toolboxes sold for \$187.00, and 1996 Gradall Excavator sold for \$4,651.00.
- The 2022 Benefits Guide still has not been received.
- Wilson Partners will present their final recommendations today at 10:30 a.m.. Mr. Rogols held a virtual meeting with them last week. Presented CEBCO annual meeting information.
- Adena Health Representatives still preparing to schedule on-site services for ThriveOn incentives for the Highway Garage and PCSO. Mammogram bus is a go and finalizing a date. The bio-metric screening sessions for April 21, 2022, are full and September 21, 2022 had seven scheduled appointments. Health and Safety Committee is working on setting up a scheduled after work exercise program.
- Mr. Rogols reported that three new hire packets were sent out (Engineer's Office and JFS). Eighteen have been handed out year -to-date. The new Chief Dog Warden, Ron Custer was introduced. Samantha Lundell resigned from the Accounts Payable/ Administrative Assistant position. Position will be posted on website.
- Mr. Rogols discussed the fairgrounds camera update. All contracts are signed and forwarded to IPS and all equipment has been ordered. IPS started running wires and connections in all four barns.
- Mr. Rogols present an updated fairgrounds schedule of events.
- Mr. Rogols received the executed contracts from Town and Country Engineering Services. Contract was reviewed and signed by the Prosecutor.
- Dog Shelter received from Jonna Curtis inquiring about a mom and puppies. No change in status or transfer and the family is doing well.

In the Matter of
Report Provided by Tim McGinnis:

The following is a summary of the report provided by Tim McGinnis, Planning and Development:

- Planning Commission:
 - Stonerock Road Subdivision Section 2 – Needs recertified by the Planning Commission as it was approved and never recorded by the landowner
 - Saltcreek Township: Road Frontage Variance Request
 - Pumpkin Run II Final Plat – Landowner reworked the layout to accommodate Township requirements.
 - Expecting submittal for the VanTrust rezoning request with Madison Township.
- Outstanding Plats:
 - **Stonerock Road Section 2** -- Being heard at the April 12th PC meeting
 - **Pumpkin Run II** – Being heard at the April 12th PC meeting
- Lot Splits:
 - Approved 3 lot splits in the last week, 9 open applications currently.
- CDBG:
 - This year's critical infrastructure grant (proposed Circleville project) has another potential project proposal out of Tarlton for needed repairs/reconstruction to Harrison St. More details to come from Hannah @ CDC and Crystal Moody, fiscal officer for Tarlton
- Rebecca Burke, PC member applicant, to meet with this Board next Tuesday to introduce herself and formally request to be a member of the PC.

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In the Matter of
Pickaway WORKS, Christy Mills'
Thank You for Support:

Christy Mills, Pickaway WORKS, stopped in to thank the Commissioners for their support of the program and donation of \$50,000. Mrs. Mills was able to apply for additional grants totaling and additional \$200,000. This will allow for Pickaway WORKS to do greater things in the local schools and workforce.

In the Matter of
Out of County Travel Approved
For Job & Family Services Employees:

The Commissioners reviewed and signed the Out-of-County Travel Authorization for numerous Job & Family Services employees to attend various meetings, training sessions, and to conduct home visitations throughout the month of April 2022, at the total probable cost \$2,742.00. Commissioner Harold Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Gary Scherer, to approve the JFS Out-of-County Travel Authorization.

Voting on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

Attest: Angela Karr, Clerk

In the Matter of
Boar of Elections
Estimated Cost of Preparing and
Conducting a Special Election:

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 3501.17(J) not less than fifteen business days before the deadline for submitting a question or issue for placement on the ballot at a special election, the board of elections shall prepare and file with the board of county commissioners and the office of the secretary of state the estimated cost, based on the factors enumerated in this section, for preparing for and conducting an election on one question or issue, one nomination for office, or one election to office in each precinct in the county at that special election and shall divide that cost by the number of registered voters in the county. On March 22, 2022, the Board of Election served the Pickaway County Board of Commissioners with the Estimated Cost of Preparing and Conducting a Special Election for the August 2, 2022, Election. The total estimated cost is \$45,375.00.

In the Matter of
Community Development Block Grant
Change Order Contract Extension for
Village of New Holland Demolition Project:

Tim McGinnis, Planning and Development Director, presented a Change Order for the CDBG PY20 Village of New Holland Demolition Project. Advanced Demolition Services is requesting a 60-day extension to complete the project by June 1, 2022. Advanced Demolition Services is not prepared to complete the Project as power lines and gas meters are still connected to the properties. It has been advised to expect a four-week delay to disconnect the gas. Commissioner Harold Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Gary Scherer, to approve the 60-day extension for Advanced Demolition Services to complete the CDBG PY2020 Village of New Holland Demolition Project.

Voting on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

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**In the Matter of
Resolution Appointing Commissioner
Jay Wippel To the Ohio Power Siting Board as
Ad Hoc Voting Member for the Circleville Solar Project:**

Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to adopt the following Resolution:

Resolution No.: PC-032922-29

**Appointment of Commissioner Jay Wippel to the Ohio Power Siting Board as
Ad Hoc Voting Member for the Circleville Solar Project**

WHEREAS, the passage of Senate Bill (S.B.) 52 has provided the opportunity for county commissioners and township trustees to participate in the siting of solar projects in their communities; and

WHEREAS, the Circleville Solar Project planned for Wayne and Jackson Township will be impacted by this new legislation, and it will require a commissioner or designee to serve as an Ad Hoc Voting Member of the Ohio Power Siting Board; then

THEREFORE, be it Resolved that the Board of County Commissioners hereby appoint Commissioner Jay Wippel to the Ohio Power Siting Board as an Ad Hoc Voting Member in regard to the Circleville Solar Project planned for Wayne and Jackson Township.

Voting on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

Attest: Angela Karr, Clerk

**In the Matter of
Pickaway County Sheriff's Report:**

The following is a summary of the report provided by Lt. John Rhoads, Pickaway Sheriff's Office:

- The PCSO hired Webb back and he will be on board once he finishes the academy.
- They had a high-speed chase that included an overdose.
- Commissary Contract is coming due, and it will allow for more options to choose from on a kiosk.
- The Telephone land line switched to Inmate Calling Solutions, LLC for inmate calling. It is a third party and they cut a check to the PCSO monthly once the amount hits \$60,000. The funds from the commissary and inmate calls will be used to purchase a body scanner.

**In the Matter of
County Administrator Report:**

The following is a summary of the report provided by April Dengler, County Administrator:

- Ms. Dengler discussed putting together a press release for Pickaway County Community Foundation ARP funds. She will present the release next week for review.
- Farm to Plate is scheduled for September 8th at 6:00 p.m. at Heritage Hall. Ms. Dengler will need to discuss the next two weeks for preparations.
- Ms. Dengler was contact by Probate Court. They have 522 boxes that need scanned. It was quoted at \$600 per box, totaling \$313,200. The quote is good for three years. Ms. Dengler will prepare a resolution for next week.
- Ms. Dengler attended the Brownfield grant meeting with P3. The deadline to apply for funds is April 30th. Determining what property is best fit and has all required paperwork.
- The Building Department porch drawings and bid packet estimate is over \$50,000. The project could go out for bid right away. Deadline for bids is Tuesday.
- Ms. Dengler received mowing estimates from LMG Landscaping, formally Mike's Landscaping. Maintenance – lawn & bed \$1,300.00, weed control/ fertilizer \$128.00, cleanup/mulch/shrubs

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\$1,190.00 from last year. Outdoor Butler's quote is the same pricing as last year with an additional fuel charge.

- The State Fire Marshall had questions regarding the fairgrounds. The Recorder's Office located documentation that was needed.

**In the Matter of
Approval for Lawncare at Various
County Properties with Outdoor Butler:**

After the Commissioners reviewed and discussed the quotes received for the mowing county properties, Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to accept the quotes as follows:

**LMG Landscape Management Group – 2022 Lawncare Plan -\$4,460.00
LMG Landscape Management Group – 2022 Maintenance Services -\$15,340.00
LMG Landscape Management Group – 2022 Cleanups, Mulch & Shrubs -\$12,594.00**

Outdoor Butler – County Off -Site Properties - \$400.00 per service call plus fuel charge

Voting on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

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**In the Matter of
Bid Opening Conducted for
MAD-C008-8.58 6532144, MAD-C008-9.74 6532179,
JAC-C004-9.23 6532713 and SCI-C004-10.71 6532705
Guardrail Project for County Engineer's Department:**

A bid opening was conducted for MAD-C008-8.58 6532144, MAD-C008-9.74 6532179, JAC-C004-9.23 6532713 and SCI-C004-10.71 6532705 Guardrail Project for the Pickaway County Engineering Department with Anthony Neff, Deputy County Engineer were in attendance. A sign-in sheet of interested bidders that were also in attendance is on file.

Bids for the various unit pricing, too numerous to list, received from the following companies were opened and read aloud:

Kae Erie Construction Company
Norwalk, Ohio 44857

M.P. Dory Company
Columbus, Ohio 43209

The bids were turned over to Mr. Mullins and Mr. Neff for review and contact award recommendation.

**In the Matter of
Executive Session:**

At 10:30 a.m., Commissioner Harold Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Jay Wippel, to enter into Executive Session pursuant to ORC §121.22 (G) (5) matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes; with April Dengler, County Administrator, Marc Rogols, County Deputy Administrator, Matthew Schoeppe, Colin Connery, Wilson Partners, Peter Wright, Wilson Partners (virtually) and Angela Karr, Clerk were in attendance.

Roll call vote on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

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At 11:30 a.m., the Commissioners exited Executive Session and Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to resume Regular Session.

Roll call vote on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

Attest: Angela Karr, Clerk

No Action taken.

In the Matter of
Chipmunk Solar Project:

❖ *Commissioner Wippel excused himself from the session.*

Commissioner Scherer and Commissioner Henson advised the group that Commissioner Wippel recused from the session due to being an Ad Hoc member of the Ohio Power Siting Board for the Scioto Farms Solar Project. Steve Gardner said that it is a very confusing process and asked how the Brown County Solar Tour went? Mr. Gardner described the Yellowbud Project from his view this morning. Mr. Garner explained that the Chipmunk application stated that there was a PILOT payment and the Commissioners advised that they did not enter into a PILOT Program. Mr. Garner asked about abatements and the Commissioner explained that the PILOT is for abatements and stands for Payment in Lieu of Taxes. Chris Weaver discussed an illness that was discovered in another county by their local Health Department. The illness was caused by standing water in the solar fields and it seems to effect individuals under the age of 20 years old. Per Mr. Weaver, there are 450,000 acres in Ohio in brown fields. There are disputes concerning solar with in the county amongst residents. Ohio revised code 303.58 involves the re-submission of an application and Commissioners acting. The timing for the process/ grandfathered in is not when applied to the Ohio Power Siting Board, it is when the application was submitted to the PJM. Mr. Weaver explained that back in 2013-2015 they stored 30-50 million panels in warehouse that are already obsolete. None of the Good Neighbors Contracts have been honored. Licking County Solar is 125 megawatts, and they are building a 50 acre pad to place batteries. The Chipmunk Solar Project is 4 times the size. Mr. Weaver suggested that a Good Neighbor thought would be to build the local fire stations to these solar farms a new station, purchase two fire engines, and hire four full-time firemen to pay for ten years until a levy can be passed.

Mr. Garner has received calls from landowners that solar companies are looking into the St. Rte. 104 and Commercial Point area. It is the Solar Company's goal to have 14 million acres of solar panels. Individuals close to a solar farm have concerns, their cows will not go near it, will not breed and it has affected their internet. Mr. Weaver discussed the concern of the reflection from the sun back into the atmosphere and affecting the weather. Eight of the individuals that have signed their land to lease do not live in Pickaway County. Mr. Weaver is all for a landowner being able to do what they want with their land, except when it affects his land, livelihood, and all that his family has built.

Mr. Williams asked what the Commissioners next step is since they have been discussing with an attorney. Commissioner Scherer and Commissioner Henson explained that they have appointed Commissioner Wippel as an Ad Hoc Member and the time has passed to appoint an intervener for the Scioto Project. Mr. Williams expressed that this is on the Commissioners watch and it will affect the next election.

Mr. Weaver showed a video of the transformers to see how load the transformers are, and they get louder with moisture and rain. These transformers will be across from Mr. Weavers home. Another concern is he was presented with foliage that EDF Renewables was going to put in place across from Mr. Weavers' Home and yet what they will be planning is seedling plants. Mrs. Garner explained that a local homeowner she spoke with stated that they will have to move due to having a special needs child and the sounds will affect the child's daily life. Mr. Weaver asked Commissioner Henson what his main concern is and Commissioner Henson stated that one of his concerns is that is does not have local zoning hoops to go through and he is for landowners rights. Another is the future of farmland and it being used for solar. Commissioner Scherer has the same thoughts. Steve Gardner stated that the landowners are not doing anything illegal, but it is affecting neighbors and the community. Mr. Weaver has concerns of these large companies coming in just to take the money and then they file bankruptcy, and the landowners lose their land. The group thanked the Commissioners for their time.

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❖ *Commissioner Jay Wippel re-joined the meeting for Palmer Energy Electric Contract session.*

In the Matter of
Participation Agreement Regarding
Electricity Purchase Program of the
CCAO Service Corporation Signed:

The commissioners approved a 36-month (June 2022- May 2025) electric supplier agreement with Palmer Energy, which partners with the County Commissioners Association of Ohio Service Corporation (CCAOSC), in providing energy cost savings to CCAO members. As a result, it necessary to enter into a **Participation Agreement Regarding Electricity Purchase Program of the CCAO Service Corporation** in order to create and adopt comprehensive guidelines for the funding, management, and administration of CCAOSC's electricity purchase program.

Upon a brief discussion, Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to approve the Electricity Supply Agreement with Freepoint Energy Solution, LLC.

Voting on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

Attest: _____
Angela Karr, Clerk

In the Matter of
Solar Energy with
Swing State Strategies for
Scioto Farms Solar Project:

❖ *Commissioner Wippel excused himself from the session.*

Mike Hartley, Swing State Strategies, Dylan Borchers and Frank Merrill, Bricker and Eckler, met with the Commissioners to give a general update of Candela Renewables and Scioto Farms Solar Project. They have held a public information meeting with landowners. Mr. Borchers main focus in Energy is solar and wind. The Candela Renewable project is a 110 mw in Scioto Twps. The project has their application pending at the Ohio Power Siting Board and their project has been deemed as complete and waiting to really get into the project. In early April their schedule should be coming out with findings and specifications. After the staff's report comes out the local community hearing will be held with a court reporter and the community gets to speak. After that, the hearing will be held in August at the Ohio Power Siting Board. There should be a final decision on the project in fall of 2022.

Mr. Hartley explained that the site plan has changed due to concerns from neighbors. The Hillcrest project (Brown Co. 260 megawatt) is one of the first projects approved and had a standard set of regulations. Now there are a set of new regulations for visual. Rural fencing has to be used, vegetation and adjustments to RUMA. If they incorporate a PILOT, it requires that funds be set aside for future road concerns. Commissioner Henson addressed that there were damaged panels laying at the Brown County Solar site and asked what will be done. Mr. Borchers explained that they will have to be disposed of and Commissioner Henson asked when, Mr. Borchers went on to state that he was not sure, the project is not complete and still under construction. Commissioners advised that the panels are generating electricity. Mr. Merrill stated that there can be a stipulation by the Commissioners that damaged panels be removed by a deadline. The Commissioners noticed vacant homes near the site. Commissioner Scherer asked if the Board requires changes does the Board go ahead and approve with requirements and Mr. Borchers explained that it is required that they have to provide that the requirements have been met before construction can be started. Commissioner Henson feels that the disposal process should already be addressed, and a site should be cleaned immediately, not leaving hundreds of broken panels laying on a site. The Power Purchase Agreement states that and once power is running to it, it is considered now commercial operating. Mr. Merrill addressed that the issue is usually financial, due to the construction developer and financing the final project.

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December the OPSB provided a listing of developers that were grandfathered in except the Ad Hoc Members. Birch, Kingwood and Cepheus were listed as being recommended by staff for denial and Commissioner Scherer asked about the situation. Mr. Borchers explained that those cases are under litigation and will be up to the Board. There has been suspension in all three cases, and ongoing concerns to address in the community. The project team will be here in April and the technical experts will be able to answer questions. Once Mr. Merrill learned where the Scioto Farm Project was located, he had concerns due to knowing a lot of individuals living in the area. He informed Candela to reach out to the individuals. A lot of these companies coming to the county are asking if there is renewable energy and Mr. Merrill feels that Ryan Scribner will have a hard time not being able to answer that questions for larger companies looking to come to Pickaway County. Mr. Borchers can send a guideline of concerns that the staff member will review before giving their staff report.

❖ Commissioner Jay Wippel re-joined the meeting for Auditor's Report

**In the Matter of
Auditors Monthly Update:**

Melissa Betz, County Auditor, met with the Commissioners to provide an update for the month of January. The cash balance was at \$10,160,546.64 and started the month at a balance of \$10,726,900.13. The Treasurer had to back out real estate payments to balance and re-input the payment pertaining to TIFF's. The issues were two incentive payments. Rocky Express did not fully pay their real estate's taxes for the first half. It is leaving the Harrison Township Fire \$150,000 short. Mr. Betz is hoping that they will pay it all with the second half. The convenience fees continue to grow and does not seem to be slowing down.

Commissioner Wippel discussed that the Commissioners took a tour of the Brown County Solar Farm and it looked like the project was up and running and over capacity since last June, however, they had not paid any taxes. Commissioner Wippel asked Mrs. Betz if she would have any insight. The project is not certified complete, and they still have road repairs to complete, but has been generating power. Mrs. Betz asked if it more beneficial to not do a PILOT and tax it as a public utility. Commissioner Scherer asked if Mrs. Betz could find out any information of who to contact to find additional information. There was concern that the Brown County Solar Farm did not come out of CAUV, and recoupment paid. Mrs. Betz will see what information she can gather.

Commissioner Scherer asked if there were any blithe properties that Ms. Betz was aware of and she addressed Kingston Mound Apartments and Village of New Holland. Kingston Mound Apartments make a payment in lieu of taxes due to issues with fire and EMS.

**In the Matter of
Engineer's Recommendation to Award the
MAD-C008-8.58 6532144, MAD-C008-9.74 6532179
JAC-C004-9.23 and SCI-C004-10.71 6532705 Guardrail
Project To Scioto Valley Precast:**

In reference to the bid opening held March 29, 2022, for the project referred to as MAD-C008-8.58 6532144, MAD-C008-9.74 6532179, JAC-C004-9.23 and SCI-C004-10.71 6532705 Guardrail Project, it is the recommendation of the Pickaway County Engineering Department to award the bid to M.P. Dory Company at 2001 Integrity Drive, South, Columbus, OH 43209 in the amount of \$142,317.00. Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to award the bid to M.P. Dory Company for the MAD-C008-8.58 6532144, MAD-C008-9.74 6532179, JAC-C004-9.23 and SCI-C004-10.71 6532705 Guardrail Project.

Voting on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

Attest: Angela Karr, Clerk

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In the Matter of
Ancillary Services Agreement with
Inmate Calling Solutions, LLC for
Pickaway County Sheriff's Office:

After the Commissioners reviewed and discussed the Amendment No. 1 to Ancillary Services Agreement with Inmate Calling Solutions, LLC (dba ICS Solutions), Commissioner Harold Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Gary Scherer, to approve and authorize Commissioner Jay Wippel to execute said agreement.

Voting on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

Attest: Angela Karr, Clerk

In the Matter of
Commissary Agreement for
Pickaway County Sheriff's Office:

After the Commissioners reviewed and discussed the Commissary Services Agreement with Keefe Commissary Network, LLC, Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to approve and authorize Commissioner Jay Wippel to execute said agreement.

Voting on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

Attest: Angela Karr, Clerk

In the Matter of
Executive Session:

At 3:20 p.m., Commissioner Harold Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Gary Scherer, to enter into Executive Session pursuant to ORC §121.22 (G) (5) matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes; with April Dengler, County Administrator, Marc Rogols, County Deputy Administrator, Tim McGinnis, Planning and Development and Matthew Pritchard, McNees, Wallace and Nurick, LLC in attendance.

Roll call vote on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

Attest: Angela Karr, Clerk

At 4:10 a.m., the Commissioners exited Executive Session and Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to resume Regular Session.

Roll call vote on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

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No Action taken.

In the Matter of
Weekly Dog Warden Report:

The weekly report for the Wright Poling/Pickaway County Dog Shelter was filed for week ending March 26, 2022.

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A total of \$710 was reported being collected as follows: \$180 in dog license; \$75 in dog license late penalty; \$30 in late kennel license penalty; \$100 in adoptions; \$750 in redemptions and \$250 in private donations.

Six (6) stray dogs were processed in; four (4) dogs were adopted.

With there being no further business brought before the Board, Commissioner Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Henson, to adjourn.

Voting on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

Jay H. Wippel, President

Harold R. Henson, Vice President

Gary K. Scherer, Commissioner
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Attest: Angela Karr, Clerk