

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2017
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, August 22, 2017, with the following members present: Mr. Brian S. Stewart, Mr. Jay H. Wippel, and Mr. Harold R. Henson. Brad Lutz, County Administrator, was also in attendance.

**In the Matter of
Minutes Approved:**

Commissioner Stewart offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Wippel, to approve the minutes from August 15, 2017, with corrections.

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

Attest: Patricia Webb, Clerk

**In the Matter of
Bills Approved for Payment:**

Commissioner Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Wippel, 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 August 23, 2017, 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 \$129,731.79 on the County Treasurer to satisfy the same.

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

Attest: Patricia Webb, Clerk

**In the Matter of
Report Provided by April Dengler:**

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

- A Workers' Compensation claim was filed last week by the part-time Deputy Dog Warden. A stray dog that had been picked up by the shelter the day before jumped a 6' outdoor kennel fence and began fighting with another dog in a fenced-in activity area. The Deputy Dog Warden had another dog on a leash that dragged her through gravel to get to the fight causing her to fall and the dog she had on the leash bit her several times. She was taken to the hospital where she received treatment. The Health Department was contacted and the dog has been quarantined, and will ultimately be put down. The Deputy Dog Warden has since returned to work and has been placed on light duty.
- A memo will be going out to elected officials and department heads regarding two CORSA training sessions that will be held in the commissioners' offices on October 11th. One session, "Case Studies and Human Resource Challenges," is mandatory, and the second session was chosen from a list of several and will be related to "Social Media in the Workplace." Each session will last 1 hour and 15 minutes.
- Mrs. Dengler, Brad Lutz, Joy Ewing, JFS Dept. Director, and Geoff Davis of the county's Building Department met with the architects from WDC Group, Inc. last week and reviewed the drawings of the interior layout of the county's building on S. Pickaway St. Mrs. Ewing provided the architects with what will be needed in each office for the JFS Dept. A follow-up meeting to review what was discussed is scheduled for September 13th.

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- WDC Group and Mrs. Dengler conducted a walk-through of Memorial Hall to assist with specification details for biddable documents regarding the replacement of 179 windows in building. A State Capital funding grant was awarded to the county in the amount of \$150,000 for the project and the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission will administer the funds. As long as the project documents are approved by the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission by June 30, 2018, those funds are guaranteed.
- Deputy Dog Warden, Lisa McNairy provided notice of her intention to resign from the full-time position due to family commitments. She will work until a replacement is hired. The position has been posted.
- Eleven more employees have completed the requirements to receive healthcare incentives provided by the Franklin County Healthcare Consortium. This brings the employee participation total to 67%.
- Foundation repairs are needed in the porch area at the rear of the Building Department.
- Mrs. Dengler stated that Geoff Davis and Troy Watkins provided a preliminary outline report of their walk-through related to electrical and plumbing inspections made for the coliseum; Ankrom building; Grange building; 4-H building; and the horse and cattle barns at the county fairgrounds. An electrical contractor will be contacted to work on emergency lighting in several of the buildings.

In the Matter of
Cash Advance Back:

Commissioner Wippel offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Stewart to approve, the following CASH ADVANCE BACK request

1,140.37 from 239.2059.5801 – Sheriff-High Visibility Enforcement O/T Grand
To
101.0000.4910 – Advance In-General

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

Attest: Patricia Webb, Clerk

In the Matter of
Appropriations Approved:

Commissioner Wippel offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Stewart, to approve the following requests for the APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS:

15,000 to 101.1105.5703 – Contingencies
750 to 101.1105.5703 – Contingencies

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

Attest: Patricia Webb, Clerk

In the Matter of
Transfers Approved:

Commissioner Wippel offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Stewart, to approve the following requests for the TRANSFER & RE-APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS:

100 from 101.2083.5510 – Sheriff-IT Equipment
To
101.2083.5313 – Sheriff-Memberships

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**750 from 101.1105.5703 – Contingencies
To
101.1103.5205 – Workers’ Compensation**

**46.51 from 101.1105.5703 – Contingencies
To
101.1105.5966 – Health & Safety Committee Incentive**

**15,000 from 101.1105.5703 – Contingencies
To
101.1105.5913 – Restitution**

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

Attest: Patricia Webb, Clerk

**In the Matter of
Creation of New Fund:**

Commissioner Wippel offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Stewart, to approve the following request for the CREATION OF A NEW FUND:

TCAP – Targeted Community Alternatives to Prison

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

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

Commissioner Wippel offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Stewart, to approve the following requests for the CREATION OF A NEW LINE ITEM:

**925.0000.4709 – TCAP-Interest
925.1207.5102 – TCAP-Salaries
925.1207.5201 – TCAP-PERS
925.1207.5202 – TCAP-Medicare
925.1207.5203 - TCAP-Insurance
925.1207.5301 – TCAP-Supplies
925.1207.5401 – TCAP-Contract Services
925.1207.5501 – TCAP-Equipment
925.1207.5501 – TCAP-Advance Bank
925.1207.5901 – TCAP-Other Expenses**

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

Attest: Patricia Webb, Clerk

**In the Matter of
Discussion with Tom Jividen Regarding
Swackhammer Road Flooding Issues Update:**

Tom Jividen, a resident of Swackhammer Road, met briefly with the commissioners and informed them that while he was unable to attend their recent meeting that was held, he learned that the Circleville

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Township Trustees plan to scope tiles in an attempt to determine if there is any blockage that attributed to the recent flooding issues on landowners' property, and he inquired if there was additional information that the commissioners might have.

Mr. Jividen was informed that the grant application submitted to the Ohio EMA Hazard Mitigation Division for the removal of the logjam in the creek that runs behind the property of landowners was denied because it was determined that the removal of the logjam was not a permanent flood abatement activity. He was provided a copy of the report outlining the various issues affecting the Swackhammer Road Subdivision that was prepared by Aaron Mosley, Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) Technician. The report stated that there is evidence that modifications to the road ditches have taken place over the years where some have been filled in, while others have had pipes installed and covered over. Installing necessary inlets and subsurface drains to assist with the collection of low-flow surface water on each lot was noted and what remedies would be the responsibilities of the township and what remedies would be the responsibilities of the landowners. The report recommended that the landowners, as a group, and the township trustees work together to analyze and resolve the various issues. Mr. Jividen was informed that the SWCD is willing to meet with the trustees and landowners to discuss the report and answer any questions.

Mr. Jividen then thanked the commissioners for their time.

In the Matter of
Allocation of June 2017 Sales Tax Collections:

Commissioner Wippel offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Henson, to appropriate the June 2017 Sales Tax collections in the following manner:

32,036 to 401.0000.4121 – Capital Fund
768,867 to 101.0000.4121 – General Fund

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

Attest: Patricia Webb, Clerk

In the Matter of
Contract Approved with Berqshire, LLC regarding
Administrative Services Related Ohio Department of Transportation and
Ohio Development Services Agency Related to the
Love's Travel Stops Road Infrastructure Improvements Project:

The Contract Agreement between the commissioners and Berquist Consulting, Inc., was reviewed for the technical advice and professional assistance in the amount of \$25,000 related to the ODOT Jobs & Commerce ED Program Grant, and ODSA 629 Roadwork Grant, and private investment made by Love's Travel Stops for the US Rt. 23/Pittsburgh Rd./Duroc St.; Clagg Way Road Infrastructure Project. One hundred percent (100%) of the contract will be paid with Love's Travel Stops private investment funds.

Following the review, Commissioner Wippel offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Henson, to adopt the following Resolution:

Resolution No.: PC-082217-1

WHEREAS, Pickaway County desires to employ the services of a consultant for the purpose of providing certain technical advice and professional assistance in connection with the Economic Development Program as related to the Love's Travel Stops Project ("Project") in Circleville, Ohio; and,

WHEREAS, the Project involves the Administration, Financial Monitoring, Grant Monitoring, and Improvement/Specs Monitoring of an ODOT Grant, and ODSA Grant, and private investment made by Love's Travel Stops; then,

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pickaway County Board of Commissioners hereby approve Berqshire, LLC, 2819 Abraham Ave., N.W., Massillon, Ohio 44647, to provide the aforementioned services that are 100% payable from Love’s Travel Stops private contribution.

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

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In the Matter of
Notice to Banks Eligible to be
Depository of Public Funds Signed:

The commissioners signed a “Notice to Banks Eligible To Be Depository of Public Funds” that will be sent to various banks that have an office within the territorial limits of the county asking them to complete an application for consideration in becoming a public depository of the active monies of the of the county. Ellery Elick, Pickaway County Treasurer, submitted \$32 million as an estimated amount of aggregate amount of monies available for deposit as active monies at any one time during the next four-year period.

The notice requests banks to submit their applications to the county commissioners’ office no later than 4:00 p.m., on Friday, September 15, 2017, in order to be considered.

In the Matter of
Final Hearing Scheduled for North Court Street Drainage Project; and
Final Hearing Scheduled for the Howard Drainage Improvement Project:

The Final Hearing for the North Court Street Drainage Improvement Project, a county petitioned ditch, is scheduled to be held on September 26, 2017, at 1:00 p.m. in the Pickaway County Common Pleas Courtroom. This will be followed by the Final Hearing for the Howard Drainage Improvement Project, at 2:00 p.m., petitioned for by landowners Richard M. Howard, Ronald F. Bates, and others.

In the Matter of
Contract to Purchase Real Estate Signed with
Becks Superior Hybrids, Inc. on Behalf of County Engineer’s Office
Related to Purchase of Appurtenance Rights on Lockbourne Eastern Road:

On behalf of the Pickaway County Engineer’s Office, Mr. Lutz presented a “Contract to Purchase Real Estate” from Becks Superior Hybrids, Inc. for the purchase of 0.17 acres in the amount of \$1,465.40 for appurtenance rights on Lockbourne Eastern Road, Walnut Township, Pickaway County, Ohio. The purchase will be made from the county engineer’s department funds.

Upon reviewing the contract, Commissioner Wippel offered the motion, seconded Commissioner Henson, to approve and sign the contract.

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

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In the Matter of
Contract to Purchase Real Estate Signed with
Ryan M. Mast Related on Behalf of County Engineer’s Office
Related to Appurtenant Rights on Lockbourne Eastern Road:

On behalf of the Pickaway County Engineer’s Office, Mr. Lutz then presented a “Contract to Purchase Real Estate” from Ryan M. Mast for the purchase of 0.27 acres in the amount of \$2,327.40 for

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appurtenance rights on Lockbourne Eastern Road, Walnut Township, Pickaway County, Ohio. The purchase will be made from the county engineer's department funds.

Upon reviewing the contract, Commissioner Wippel offered the motion, seconded Commissioner Henson, to approve and sign the document.

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

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In the Matter of
Agreement Signed with Trans Associates Engineering Consultants, Inc.
For Assistance Provided to County Engineer's Office Related to Traffic Impact Studies:

On behalf of the Pickaway County Engineering Department, Mr. Lutz presented an Agreement between the Pickaway County Engineer and Trans Associates Engineering Consultants, Inc. for the scope of services as spelled out in the agreement related to traffic impact studies. The initial budget under the agreement is \$5,000, and the consultant will not exceed this budget without authorization of the Pickaway County Engineering Department.

After reviewing the document, Commissioner Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Wippel, to approve and sign the agreement.

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

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In the Matter of
Pine Valley Construction, LLC Quote Approved for
Repair of Foundation at the Rear of the Pickaway County Building Department:

The quote in the amount of \$7,900 from Pine Valley Construction, LLC, was reviewed for the repair of the building foundation in the area around the rear porch of the Pickaway County Building Department.

Following the review, Commissioner Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Wippel, to approve the quote.

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

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In the Matter of
Discussion Regarding Miscellaneous Matters:

A brief discussion was held related to the letter that the commissioners sent to the Scioto Township Trustees regarding the recent amendments to the Pickaway County 911 Plan being sought by the township. The letter references the Pickaway County Prosecutor's opinion that essentially states that unless and until Franklin County's 911 plan is amended to include Scioto Township, it is of her opinion that calls cannot be routed to the Grove City PSAP that originate in Scioto Township. Accordingly, the Pickaway County PSAP cannot – and will not – transfer 911 calls to the Grove City PSAP until Franklin County has amended its own plan to authorize these transfers.

Commissioner Stewart mentioned that he was contacted by an attorney related to an opioid class action suit that is being filed against Cardinal Health that states there was not sufficient monitoring of the

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suspicious number of opioid orders that were being placed to and filled by pharmaceutical company. The commissioners indicated that they are not interested in participating in the lawsuit at this point.

In the Matter of
Meeting with County Auditor Regarding
July 2017 Month-end Revenue & Expenditures:

Melissa Betz, County Auditor, met with the commissioners to review the July 2017, month-end revenue and expenditure reports. The end-of-month balance for the General Fund was \$6,568,886.07, and a balance of \$7,496,542.33 was reported for the day. Mrs. Betz noted that the recent real estate collection settlement came in slightly higher than anticipated. Departmental expenditure line items were reviewed and no areas of concern were noted.

Discussion was also held regarding the anticipated 30% decrease in CAUV soil valuations, and the anticipated 9% composite increase in residential properties. Mrs. Betz mentioned that it is expected the Ohio Dept. of Taxation will be providing the CAUV soil values by the end of the month. Mrs. Betz will look into the percentage of county's total soil evaluations that are made up of CAUV and provide that information to the commissioners.

Discussion was also held about the county's 2015 and 2016 information currently on the Treasurer of State's Ohio Check Book website. Mrs. Betz will have the first 6 months of the county's 2017 information posted, which will be updated every 6 months thereafter. A brief conversation also was held about the PCBDD's recent levy rollback resolution.

In the Matter of
Resolution Adopted Re-Designating
PICCA to Continue as the Grantee of
Rural Public Transit in Pickaway County:

Mark Mills, Program Manager of PICCA's Pickaway Area Rural Transit (PART), and Paul Kidwell, PICCA Housing Services Director, met with the commissioners regarding the Ohio Public Transportation Grant program. PART operates the public transportation serving the City of Circleville and surrounding Pickaway County. In addition, PART contracts with local schools and businesses to transport passengers to and from appointments. Mr. Mills stated that the current 3-year Ohio Public Transportation Grant program cycle will be ending on December 31, 2017, and it will be necessary to re-designate PICCA as the public transportation provider for the next 3 years (January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2020). Reviewed were PART outcomes for 2015, 2016, and through June 2017.

Mr. Mills stated that the local public transportation system received a federal technology grant, administered through ODOT, and is now on a routing system that allows the transportation program to run more efficiently. He said that the technology routing system is a requirement for all rural public transportation systems in Ohio, and it was noted that the new routing system has decreased the number of miles traveled and has saved the local public transportation system 7% - 8% in fuel costs.

Mr. Kidwell mentioned a large contract with the PCBDD that was recently entered into for services 7 days a week that provides transportation to jobs, job training, appointments, church, community events, etc., for disabled individuals that was not previously available them. Currently, the transportation program has 22 buses, 27 part-time and full-time drivers, 2 dispatchers, a route supervisor, and the program manager.

After discussing the matter, the commissioners stated that they have been very pleased with the program and the important services it provides to the community. The re-designation process will require a resolution from the commissioners re-designating PICCA as the grantee of the Rural Public Transit in Pickaway County for the next 3 years, which will be sent to ODOT, along with a letter from the commissioners requesting ODOT's written concurrence of the re-designation.

Therefore, Commissioner Wippel offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Henson, to adopt the following Resolution, and to sign the letter to ODOT:

Resolution No.: PC-082217-2

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WHEREAS, the designation of the Pickaway County Community Action (PICCA) organization as the Grantee for Rural Public Transit in Pickaway County will expire December 31, 2017; and,

WHEREAS, PICCA of Pickaway County has satisfactorily fulfilled all requirements of the designated grantee; and,

WHEREAS, PICCA of Pickaway County will continue to meet all Federal, State, and Local requirements and regulation of the 5311 Rural Public Transit Program; and,

WHEREAS, PICCA of Pickaway County continues to have the requisite financial, administrative, and operating capacity for the Section 5311 Program; then,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Pickaway County Board of Commissioners:

1. The Pickaway County Board of Commissioners re-designate and recommend to the Ohio Department of Transportation that PICCA of Pickaway County continue as the grantee of capital and operating assistance projects pursuant to 49 USC Section 5311 and the Ohio Public Transportation Grant program in Pickaway County, Ohio;
2. This re-designation shall remain in effect from January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2020, and shall be subject to regular review by the Pickaway County Board of Commissioners.

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

Attest: Patricia Webb, Clerk

Mr. Mills and Mr. Kidwell thanked the commissioners.

In the Matter of
Review and Approval of
Metropolitan Housing Authority's 2018 Annual Plan:

Kim Hartinger, Pickaway Metropolitan Housing Authority (PMHA) Executive Director, along with Tammy McGlone, PMHA Finance Manager, met with the commissioners to review the agency's 2018 Streamlined Annual Plan that requires their review and approval. Mrs. Hartinger stated that as a High Performing Agency, PMHA is asked to submit the Streamlined Plan to HUD, which primarily outlines any changes in policies or procedures and states the local agency's any known intent to change its programs it currently operates, which will go into effect January 1, 2018.

As a High Performing Agency, PMHA is to submit a Streamlined Plan which primarily outlines any changes in policies or procedures and states any known intent to change the agency's programs as they currently operate. Mrs. Hartinger stated that the PMHA Board recently adopted a Resolution that will go regarding portability that will go into effect January, 2018. An applicant or tenant on the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) program has the option to port their voucher. Porting allows them to transfer their vouchers to any city or jurisdiction that administers a HCV program. It was explained that the rules on portability allow Housing Authorities to require that any applicant who does not live in the jurisdiction of the agency at the time they apply, they are to lease subsidized housing within that jurisdiction for 12 months before they port their voucher. This is to keep applicants from using the local jurisdiction as a "revolving door." If the local agency did not have this requirement, the applicant would be seen and processed by the agency and then immediately transfer to another jurisdiction. If this requirement is not in place, Mrs. Hartinger said that the applicant is seen and processed by the local agency, and then immediately transfers to a new jurisdiction. It was explained that the local agency does all of the initial administrative work related to the voucher without receiving the associated Administrative Fee. The waiting list is worked through based on the date of application. Mrs. Hartinger stated that there were more than 600 applicants on the 2015 waiting list, which the agency is currently wrapping up. In April of this year, 330 names were still on the list of the 600 plus applicants, and of those 330 applicants, 263 had Franklin County zip codes. The agency worked through all of the applicants and just under 20 of the non-local applicants who were provided vouchers leased in

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Pickaway County, and when the 12 months is up, Mrs. Hartinger stated that the applicants plan to port to another jurisdiction. There were 3 of that just less than 20 that were suspended from the program because it was found that they were not actually living in the units they were leasing.

The exception to the 12-month rule to rent locally is if the application or a member of the household has a medical nexus that, (1) meets HUD's definition of disability, and (2) has a medical nexus for which they cannot properly receive treatment in the jurisdiction that issued the voucher. Mrs. Hartinger stated that since processing the 2015 waiting list, the agency ported approximately 25 applicants due to medical nexus. In a 12-month period, the porting of these vouchers will result in a loss of \$14,592 in administrative fee income. For this reason, the PMHA Board has determined that the current portability losses and any additional portability losses that may occur, will result in an undue financial and administrative burden to the agency. For this reason, effective January 1, 2018, the PMHA will not grant portability requests for any reason, including for those applicants with a medical nexus. It was explained, however, that the Resolution also includes language that this policy will be revisited each quarter, and if current voucher levels increase to where portability for medical nexus is no longer a financial burden to the agency, the Resolution can be lifted.

After providing additional information, and a question and answer session, Mrs. Hartinger stated that the PMHA is considering taking ownership of Pickaway Terrace and Eden Place. Before this happens, a Rent Comparability Study will be completed to determine if rents can be established that would support refinancing of the current mortgage under a new Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) contract. PMHA would accept the ownership after establishing an LLC for that purpose. Mrs. Hartinger also stated that the agency may convert their current public housing stock to the Rental Demonstration Program (RAD). This basically removes the 108 residences in the public housing program to the multi-family division of HUD and assigns a 20-year HAP contract to subsidize the rents of the residents.

Mrs. Hartinger also informed the commissioners of an upcoming Operation Street Smart presentation that will be provided for the PMHA employees by the Franklin County Sheriff's Office within the next few months. She extended an invitation for the commissioners to attend, and she will provide them with the date, time, and location once that is determined.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the commissioners thanked Mrs. Hartinger and Mrs. McGlone for their review of the changes to the PMHA 2018 Annual Plan, and Commissioner Henson offered the motion for its approval, seconded by Commissioner Wippel.

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

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In the Matter of
Discussion with Steven Collins Regarding
Circleville Herald's 200th Year Book:

With the Circleville Herald creating a 200th Year Book in looking back over the last 200 years, Steven Collins, staff writer, of the Circleville Herald met briefly with the commissioners regarding their thoughts in looking forward for Pickaway County in the near future and possibly the not-so-near future.

In the more short term, continued development growth in the northern area of the county was mentioned by the commissioners. The Rickenbacker Intermodal area is important on a logistics standpoint, and interest in this area has been shown from all over the world. More skilled trade training and computer training will be needed; population will continue to grow that will affect the type of amenities in the county; roadways/highways will change sustainably; there will be additional mass transit; and more.

It was stated that while it is difficult to predict what to expect in the next 200 years not only at a local level, but the world, the commissioners expect large strides in the advancement of technology; medicine; forms of travel; possible changes in government jurisdictional boundaries; and more.

Mr. Collins obtained a number other thoughts from the commissioners that he made note of.

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**In the Matter of
County Administrator Authorized to
Sign the Then and Now Certifications and Approve Budgetary Action Requests
In the Commissioners' Absence on August 29, 2017:**

Commissioner Wippel offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Henson, providing Brad Lutz, County Administrator, the authority to sign all Then & Now Certifications and approve all Budgetary Action Requests submitted by departments for approval.

The White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs invited all Ohio county commissioners, executives, and council members for a tour and conference at the White House on Tuesday, August 29th that the commissioners will be attending, therefore; they will not be meeting next week. The purpose of the event is to develop a working relationship between the White House, federal agencies, and members of the County Commissioners' Association of Ohio.

The commissioners next meeting day will be Tuesday, September 5, 2017.

**In the Matter of
Meeting Regarding RPHF Solid Waste District
Recycling Outreach Coordinator Position:**

Tom Davis and Erica Tucker, of the RPHF Solid Waste District, met with the commissioners to discuss Mrs. Tucker's transitioning into the Recycling Outreach Specialist RPHF position as part of her duties. Currently, Mrs. Tucker provides 25 hours per week to the RPHF Solid Waste District, and 15 hours per week to the county as an assistant for special projects and other duties. Mr. Davis proposed that as of October 1, 2017, 35 hours a week of Mrs. Tucker's time be provided to RPHF, and 5 hours a week to the county, and by the end of year, transition into 100% of her hours be dedicated to RPHF duties.

After discussing the matter, it was determined that 100% of Mrs. Tucker's hours could be transitioned to the RPHF Solid Waste District, effective October 1, 2017, with the flexibility to provide a small number of hours to the commissioners' office as may be found to be needed from time-to-time, which Mr. Davis stated would be no problem.

Also discussed was the upcoming RPHF Solid Waste Board of Directors' meeting scheduled for Thursday, August 31st, beginning at 9:30 a.m., to vote on the Rumpke Recycling contract for the district.

Mr. Davis, who is also the Pickaway County Park District Board Director, provided a flier regarding the Pickaway Parks & Trails Fundraiser, scheduled to be held at the Mary Virginia Crites Hannan Park on Thursday, September 28th, from 5:30 p.m., to 7:30 p.m. In discussing the fundraiser, Mr. Davis stated that he is attempting to distribute information about the fundraiser and speak to various organizations throughout the community and speak about upcoming park levy that will be on the November 7th, ballot. Commissioner Stewart invited Mr. Davis to speak at the Pickaway County Bar Association meeting that is scheduled for Wednesday, August 30th, that will be held at Gibby's Eatery, beginning at 12:00 noon. The commissioners also informed Mr. Davis of the upcoming Pickaway County Township Trustees and Clerk/Fiscal Officer's Association meeting that is scheduled for September 12th, at the American Legion, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

**In the Matter of
Meeting with Jeremy Newman and John Hogue of the
Scioto Post Regarding Blighted House in City of Circleville:**

Jeremy Newman and John Hogue, of the Scioto Post, met with the commissioners regarding an abandoned and dilapidated house located on West High St., in the City of Circleville. There have been multiple complaints about the abandoned house that the surrounding neighbors state is overgrown with vegetation, attracts vermin, is being used for drug activity, etc.

The Pickaway County Health Department has condemned the house due to health and safety issues and it was condemned by the Pickaway County Building Department due to structural issues; however, it was explained that the county building department does not have the enforcement authority to tear the house

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down or force that action, nor does it have the authority to enforce property maintenance code matters. It was stated that essentially, this would be a matter that would have to be researched and addressed by the City of Circleville. It was also noted that any condemned and blighted property outside of the city limits are the responsibility of the township (ORC 505.06) or village in which the property is located. There was a Moving Ohio Forward grant that the county and city applied for and received through the Ohio Attorney General Office a few years ago that was spent to tear down a number of blighted properties within the City of Circleville, and several in townships and villages throughout the county; however, those funds have been exhausted. Pickaway County had the second lowest cost numbers in Ohio to tear down the structures. It was also noted that initial steps have been taken by the county to implement a Pickaway County Land Bank.

At the conclusion of the discussion, Mr. Newman and Mr. Hogue stated that they will be following up on the matter with the City of Circleville, and they thanked the commissioners for their time.

In the Matter of
Cramer & Associates Campaign Proposal Approved:

With the Pickaway County Fairgrounds Revitalization Project Capital Campaign Feasibility Study that was performed and recently completed by Mike Schmidt, of Cramer & Associates, Inc. that showed strong indicators that the campaign would be successful, the commissioners reviewed the proposal from the firm for the implementation of and consulting services for the campaign.

At the conclusion of the review, Commissioner Stewart offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Henson, to approve the Pickaway County Campaign Proposal from Cramer & Associates, Inc.

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

Attest: Patricia Webb, Clerk

In the Matter of
Tour of Everet's Industrial Arts Annex and
Mill Street Gymnasium Owned by City of Circleville:

Commissioners toured the Evert's Industrial Arts annex building and the Mill St. gymnasium buildings owned by the City of Circleville, with Kristen May, representatives of ArtsaRound, and the City of Circleville. The purpose of the tour was to view the interior of buildings that Mrs. May and ArtsaRound are proposing for the county to take ownership of by means of transfer from the city for a community cultural arts center.

In the Matter of
Weekly Dog Warden Report:

The weekly Dog Warden report for the Wright Poling/Pickaway County Dog Shelter was filed for week ending August 19, 2017.

A total of \$645 was reported being collected as follows: \$280 in adoptions; \$150 in dog licenses; \$30 in dog license late penalties; \$120 in owner turn-ins; \$40 in owner turn-in euthanasia; \$25 in redemptions.

Seven (7) dogs were processed in; seven (7) dogs were adopted.

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With there being no further business brought before the Board, Commissioner Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Wippel, to adjourn. Voting on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Stewart, yes; Commissioner Wippel, yes. Commissioner Henson, yes. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

Brian S. Stewart, President

Jay H. Wippel, Vice President

Harold R. Henson, Commissioner
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Attest: Patricia Webb, Clerk