The Pickaway County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session in their office located at 139 West Franklin Street, Circleville, Ohio, on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, with the following members present: Mr. Jay H. Wippel, Mr. Harold R. Henson, and Mr. Gary K. Scherer. April Metzger, County Administrator, was also in attendance.

## In the Matter of Executive Session:

At 8:30 a.m., Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to enter into Executive Session pursuant to ORC §121.22 (G) (8) to consider confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance, or to negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance, with Ryan Scriber Montrose Group, Tim Colburn, P3, April Dengler, County Administrator, Marc Rogols, Deputy County Administrator, Tim McGinnis, Planning and Development Director 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.

Attest: Angela Karr, Clerk

At 9:15 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 Minutes Approved:

Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to approve the minutes from September 12, 2023, 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 Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, 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 September 19, 2023, 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 his warrant on this entry in the amount of \$270.00 + \$443,356.95 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 Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, 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 September 19, 2023, 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 his warrant on this entry in the amount of <u>\$25,931.49</u> 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 Appropriations Approved:

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

**\$4,000,000.00 - 938.1123.5903 - Governmental Servies the ARP Act - Commissioners** 

\$2,000.00 – 920.6139.5901 – Other Expense Drainage Ditch – Commissioners

\$150,000.00 - 260.1150.5401 - Contract Services REA - Auditor

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 Approved:

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

**\$2,000.00 – 920.6139.5901 – Other Expense Drainage Ditch - Commissioners** 

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

### In the Matter of Report Provided by Preston Schumacher:

The following is a summary of the report provided by Preston Schumacher, Dog Warden.

- Mr. Schumacher reported that the shelter took in seven stray dogs and had no adoptions last week. Housing is up to 26 dogs. The shelter received 104 calls last week and seven dog complaints.
- Mr. Schumacher reported that they received dog food from Walmart a few weeks ago, along with a full pallet of bacon strips and dental sticks.

### In the Matter of Report Provided by Robert Adkins:

The following is a summary of the report provided by Robert Adkins, IT Director.

- Order is in for the porting of Prosecutor phones.
- Avant and Mark will be in today to work on the Audio-visual system.
- Re-issued Cert for Pickawaycountycpcourt,org
- Moved location of Veeam Proxy and added memory to servers and backups are running much cleaner now.
- Waiting on SCW for Microsoft quote on Windows licensing.
- Have layer 1 in place for SO network, Mark is working on layer 3, We have the backup server and CAD replication server racked in the data center.
- Rick has BOE desktops ready to begin deployment.
- Replacement of PCBOEFS with BOE-SRV is complete.
- Wednesday afternoon Security Directive Webinar going over Directive 2023-16.
- Marc has interviews scheduled for this Thursday.
- Motorola Flex Meeting at the SO last week.
- We have an intern for the day from Circleville High School.
- Mr. Adkins has a quote from Park Place for aftermarket warrantee of Host servers to discuss next week.
- Vesta 911 integration meeting this afternoon.

# 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: Special Meeting September 26th to consider the CT Realty replat of Rickenbacker Industrial Park Phase 1, lots 3A, 3B, 4 and 5. Also to dedicate the Right-of-Way for Raymond Avenue and Henson Family Street.
- Outstanding Plats:
  - ➤ Navah Place Cul-de-sac, Walnut Township, need proof of bond before final approval can be granted. (Developer's Agreement to be amended to extend completion date to Summer 2024)
  - ➤ Scioto Township Proposed subdivision at Commercial Point Road and Graham Road.
- Lot Splits:
  - Approved 3 lot splits in the last week, 6 open applications currently.
- CDBG
  - ➤ Village of Tarlton Critical Infrastructure: Bid opening for Harrison Street Road improvements September 26, 2023 @ 10:30 a.m. (\$453,124 project)
  - ➤ Village of Williamsport Water Tower Painting Bid opening on September 26, 2023, at 10:45 a.m. (\$140,800 project)
- Scioto Farms vote at the Ohio Power Siting Board will not take place this month.

#### In the Matter of

#### **Report Provided by Tom Swisher:**

The following is a summary of the report provided by Tom Swisher, EMA Deputy Director.

- This week presentation at Pickaway Senior Center for Employee Safety Day Training, interview with for internship, After School Activities Safety Seminar, Exercise Design and Evaluation Course at Warren County, Fire Chiefs Meeting, Pumpkin Show Planning Meeting, Full-Scale Disaster Exercise at John Glen Airport and Event at Deer Creek State Park.
- Next week ARES meeting, Cybersecurity Course with Robert at Franklin County, Fire Chiefs Meeting and Ag Days Event at Fairgrounds.
- General Information
  - ➤ Run card project continuing Harrison Twp is continuing to test their cards.
  - Critical Incident Debriefing project continues developing relationship with Scioto Valley Peer Assistance Team.
  - ➤ Disaster Relief Fund Received organizing documents from Dayton Foundation Reviewing.
  - ➤ NIMS Training for Elected Officials Found a NIMS for Elected Officials class.
  - > Started a discussion about Human Trafficking and steps we can take to mitigate this during special events in the county.
  - ➤ BOE Continuity Planning Email sent to the Board requesting a meeting in September.
  - ➤ Radio Authentication Status
- EMA Projects
  - Futurity Orion Software Met with the vendor, their software was not capable of doing what they represented originally. Working with them to see if they can build an add-on that will do more than what the current solution is capable of.
  - ➤ PCSO fiber connection conversion Frontier upgrading our system connections before installation. Looks like end of the month for installation to start.
  - ➤ Homeland Security grant of \$58,804 to purchase PPE for law enforcement approved by OEMA, coordinating with LE agencies for numbers to purchase.
  - > September is National Disaster Preparedness Month focusing on senior citizens.
  - ➤ Working with the Health Department to acquire supplies needed to create a "Disasterville" tabletop exercise set, AEDs for the PCSO, additional stocks of first aid equipment for LE in the County, and triage tags for sorting victims after a catastrophic event.
- Issues requiring Commissioners Support/Notification:
  - > MOU for Siren Maintenance.
  - ➤ Unknown if an MOU exists for EMA dues.

# In the Matter of Report Provided by Marc Rogols:

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

- There were no BWC claims filed for the week and one fraudulent unemployment claim filed for the week (Adult Probation).
- Three new hire packets were sent out last week (Treasurer's Office and Health Department). A total of 62 new hire packets were handed out year-to-date. The full-time and part-time custodial positions, Deputy Dog Warden and Clerk/ Teller for the Treasurer's Office are still posted. One of the Treasurer's Clerk/ Teller positions has been filled and the other position is pending. IT Technician position has three applicants with interviews scheduled for tomorrow. The Maintenance Worker for the Sheriff's Office reposted with new wage and has one new applicant. Park District Executive Director position posted with no applicants.
- Health Insurance: Present the second quarter actuary report. No change from initial reporting.
- Mr. Rogols continues to meet with maintenance staff to discuss the 2023 capital improvement assignments and provided a maintenance update.
  - > PCSO: Filed Koorsen contract approved last week.
  - > Resurfacing PDI: Completed.
  - ➤ Mr. Rogols is requesting ARP funding for the awning project at Service Center (\$ 20,905.00) and Dog Shelter walkway (\$9,600.00). Quotes from Pine Valley Construction.
  - ➤ Bell Tower Restoration: Painting, repairs to windows completed, metal sections redone and repaired. All work completed Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>.
  - Courthouse Courtyard: Durable Slate started September 13<sup>th</sup>. Moving in more scaffolding today.
  - ➤ Jail Parking Lot: Roese Brothers will start resurfacing September 18<sup>th</sup>.
  - ➤ Jensen Plumbing ordered the two water softeners for the courthouse and Health Department. Replacements pending.

➤ Maintenance completed construction of new shelving at the Building Department for out going permits. The door replacement project has been pending since porch construction and will start next week.

### In the Matter of Executive Session:

At 10:05 a.m., Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to enter into Executive Session pursuant to ORC §121.22 (G) (1) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation, etc., of a public employee with April Dengler, County Administrator, Marc Rogols, County Deputy Administrator and Angela Karr, Clerk 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 10:14 a.m., the Commissioners exited Executive Session and Commissioner Harold Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Gary Scherer, 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 Allison Thompson Hired as the Emergency Management College Intern Position:

Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to hire Allison Thompson as the Emergency Management College Intern at the recommendation of staff effective September 25, 2023. As the EMA College Intern, Ms. Thompson shall be paid \$15.00 per hour with a sixmonth probationary period.

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 Wate Softener Purchase for Courthouse with American Rescue Plan Funds:

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

#### **Resolution No.: PC-091923-98**

#### **Water Softener for Courthouse**

Pickaway County received direct payments from the U.S. Treasury under the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Funds authorized by the American Rescue Plan Act, referred to as fiscal recovery funds. Pickaway County will use the funding in accordance with the American Rescue Plan Act and guidance from the U.S. Treasury.

On Tuesday, May 18, 2021, Pickaway County set up a special revenue fund to receive the funds and account for the use of the funds (**special revenue fund # 938 – American Rescue Plan Act Fund**)

TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2021 OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PICKAWAY COUNTY, OHIO In the Matter of Amended Certificate Approved: Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to adopt the following Resolution: Resolution No.: PC-051821-30 WHEREAS, the Pickaway County Budget Commission approved an AMENDED CERTIFICATE in the amount of \$5,677,293.50 to amend the budget due to fund received for the American Rescue Plan, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pickaway County Board of Commissioners hereby appropriated the following sum for expenditure for period ending December 31, 2021: AMERCIAN RESCUE PLAN ACT REVENUE FUND – 938.0000.4534 \$5,677,293.50 Voting on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, yes. Voting No: None. Motion

The U.S. Treasury guidance as an interim rule was issued on May 10, 2021, and such guidance has been uses of the fiscal recovery funds based on the federal legislation can be to:

- 1. Respond to the public health emergency with respect to the COVID19 or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and non-profits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel and hospitality;
- 2. Respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers of the county that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work.
- 3. Allow for the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue (i.e., online, property or income tax) due to the public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the county prior to the emergency (i.e., January 20, 2020); or
- 4. Make necessary investments in water, sewer or broadband infrastructure.
- 5. A resolution authorizing initial uses of American Rescue Plan fiscal recovery funding and approving appropriations form unappropriated funds for the County ARP fiscal recovery fund, # 938 for managing ARP fiscal recovery funds, disbursing funds, and monitoring of contracts and grants associated with the ARP.

As provided in the U.S. Treasury Interim Final Rule and Guidance for State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, Dated May 24,2021, an amended to Final Rule beginning April 1, 2022, an allowable use of ARP funds is for governmental services.

Whereas, the Pickaway County Commissioners approve ARP funds to purchase a replacement water softener for the Pickaway County Courthouse from Jensen's Plumbing in the amount of \$3550.00.

A resolution to approve an authorized use of American Rescue Plan fiscal recovering funding for the County ARP fiscal recovery fund #938, - to be paid from ARP line item #938.1123.5903 – ARP Governmental Services – Other Expense in the amount of \$3550.00 to Jensen's Plumbing.

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 Waste Softener Purchase for Health Department with American Rescue Plan Funds:

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

#### Resolution No.: PC-091923-99

#### **Water Softener for Health Department**

Pickaway County received direct payments from the U.S. Treasury under the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Funds authorized by the American Rescue Plan Act, referred to as fiscal recovery funds. Pickaway County will use the funding in accordance with the American Rescue Plan Act and guidance from the U.S. Treasury.

On Tuesday, May 18, 2021, Pickaway County set up a special revenue fund to receive the funds and account for the use of the funds (**special revenue fund # 938 – American Rescue Plan Act Fund**)

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The U.S. Treasury guidance as an interim rule was issued on May 10, 2021, and such guidance has been uses of the fiscal recovery funds based on the federal legislation can be to:

- 1. Respond to the public health emergency with respect to the COVID19 or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and non-profits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel and hospitality;
- 2. Respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers of the county that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work.
- 3. Allow for the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue (i.e., online, property or income tax) due to the public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the county prior to the emergency (i.e., January 20, 2020); or
- 4. Make necessary investments in water, sewer or broadband infrastructure.
- 5. A resolution authorizing initial uses of American Rescue Plan fiscal recovery funding and approving appropriations form unappropriated funds for the County ARP fiscal recovery fund, # 938 for managing ARP fiscal recovery funds, disbursing funds, and monitoring of contracts and grants associated with the ARP.

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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 Resolution Adopted Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies and Certifying Them to the County Auditor for Year 2024:

In regards to the 2024 Tax Budget filed with the Pickaway County Auditor's office on July 11, 2023, and subsequently approved by the Pickaway County Budget Commission, Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to adopt the following Resolution:

**Resolution No.: PC-091923-100** 

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR (BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS)

Rev. Code, Secs. 5705.34, 5705.35

WHEREAS, this Board of County Commissioners in accordance with the provisions of law has previously adopted a Tax Budget for the next succeeding fiscal year commencing January 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Budget Commission of Pickaway County, Ohio has certified its action thereon to this Board together with an estimate by the County Auditor of the rate of each tax necessary to be levied by this Council, and what part thereof is without, and what part within the ten mill tax limitations; then

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Pickaway County, Ohio, that the amounts and rates, as determined by the Budget Commission in its certification, be and the same are hereby accepted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there be and is hereby levied on the tax duplicate of said County the rate of each tax necessary to be levied within and without the ten mill limitation as shown on <u>Schedule</u>

A, Summary of Amounts Required from General Property Tax Approved by Budget Commission, and County Auditor's Estimated Tax Rates that is filed in the Pickaway County Commissioners' and County Auditor's Offices; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board be, and is hereby directed, to certify a copy of this Resolution to the County Auditor of said County.

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 Allocation of July 2023 Sales Tax Collections:

Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to allocate the July 2023 Sales Tax collections in the following manner:

### \$53,170.00 to 401.0000.4121 – Capital Fund \$1,010,225.49 to 101.0000.4121 – General Fund

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 Haven House's request to Use Courthouse for Silent Victims March:

The Commissioners reviewed the request from Lisa Johnson, Haven House to utilize the courthouse steps for the purpose of gathering for the Silent Victims March on October 2, 2023.

Commissioner Harold Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Gary Scherer, to approve the written request from Lisa Johnson, Haven House to utilize the courthouse steps for the purpose of gathering for the Silent Victims March on October 2, 2023, and authorize Commissioner Jay Wippel to sign the Agreement for Use of Property.

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

In the Matter of 2023 Pickaway County and Township Resurfacing Project Contract A, Change Order No. 1 with The Shelly Company for the Pickaway County Engineer:

Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to approve Change Order No. 1 for the 2023 Pickaway County and Township Resurfacing Project, Contract A. The contractor, The Shelly Company, had decrease in quantity therefore, requesting a change order for -\$36,810.42.

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 2023 Pickaway County and Township Resurfacing Project Contract B, Change Order No. 1 with The Shelly Company for the Pickaway County Engineer:

Commissioner Harold Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Gary Scherer, to approve Change Order No. 1 for the 2023 Pickaway County and Township Resurfacing Project, Contract B. The contractor, The Shelly Company, had decrease in quantity therefore, requesting a change order for -\$42,633.64.

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 2023 Pickaway County and Township Resurfacing Project Contract C, Change Order No. 1 with The Shelly Company for the Pickaway County Engineer:

Commissioner Harold Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Gary Scherer, to approve Change Order No. 1 for the 2023 Pickaway County and Township Resurfacing Project, Contract C. The contractor, The Shelly Company, had a decrease in quantity therefore, requesting a change order for -\$26,900.17.

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 Authorized Certification for OPWC Disbursements For Pickaway County Engineer:

Commissioner Harold Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Gary Scherer, to approve and authorize Commissioner Wippel to execute the Authorized Certifications for OPWC Disbursements for the Pickaway County Engineer. The disbursement request is for DQAA3, number 2, in the amount of \$301,224.22. The request reflects project completion at an estimated 100%.

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

## In the Matter of Job and Family Services Update:

Nick Tatman, Job and Family Services Director, met with the Commissioners to provide an update of JFS. They had a vacancy and had already hired Kari Ellison as a new Social Worker II. She will start on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. OhioMeansJobs Area-20 completed the Pickaway County Economic and Background assessment for the county. The average wages have increased to \$15,000 over the years. Social Services currently has 38 children in placement and did find placement for a high-cost difficult child in Tennessee. Mr. Tatman provided an article regarding Foster Care Crisis forcing hundreds of kids to sleep in office as officials seek solutions. The issues have not affected Pickaway County yet, but Mr. Tatman wants to be prepared. He tries to utilize family before resorting to another county. Employment stats for Pickaway County for June was 3.4% and dropped to 3.1% in July. Agency stats include an increase in the resource room being utilized.

In the Matter of Resolution for Job and Family Services Prevention, Retention and Contingency Plan:

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

#### **Resolution No.: PC-091923-101**

#### Resolution for Prevention, Retention and Contingency Plan

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 5108.07, the Board of County Commissioners is required to certify that the Pickaway County Department of Job and Family Services complied with Chapter 5108 of the Ohio Revised Code in adopting the statement of policies governing the Pickaway County Prevention, Retention, and Contingency Plan; and,

WHEREAS the Board is satisfied that the Pickaway County Department of Job and Family Services has complied with said chapter: then,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners certifies that the Pickaway County Department of Job and Family Services has complied with Chapter 5108 of the Ohio Revised Code in adopting the statement of policies governing the Pickaway County Prevention, Retention, and Contingency Plan to be implemented on October 1, 2023.

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 County Administrator Report:

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

- Mrs. Metzger discussed the email regarding the Sheriff's Office grant.
- Mrs. Metzger discussed the Lancaster Pike Improvement Project.

In the Matter of Crane body and Hydraulic Crane base for Ford F550 – Engineer's Office Department with American Rescue Plan Funds:

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

**Resolution No.: PC-091923-102** 

#### Crane body and Hydraulic Crane base for Ford F550 – Engineer's Office

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- 5. A resolution authorizing initial uses of American Rescue Plan fiscal recovery funding and approving appropriations form unappropriated funds for the County ARP fiscal recovery fund, # 938 for managing ARP fiscal recovery funds, disbursing funds, and monitoring of contracts and grants associated with the ARP.

As provided in the U.S. Treasury Interim Final Rule and Guidance for State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, Dated May 24,2021, an amended to Final Rule beginning April 1, 2022, an allowable use of ARP funds is for governmental services.

Whereas, the Pickaway County Commissioners approve ARP funds to purchase the crane body and hydraulic crane base for the Ford 550 for the Engineer's Office. (Truck was previously approved through ARP). In the amount of \$50,195.00 from K.E. Rose Company.

A resolution to approve an authorized use of American Rescue Plan fiscal recovering funding for the County ARP fiscal recovery fund #938, - to be paid from ARP line item #938.1123.5903 – ARP Governmental Services – Other Expense in the amount of \$50,195.00 to K.E. Rose Company.

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

In the Matter of
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Application for
Pickaway County Engineer and Walnut Heights Wastewater Treatment Plant:

Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to approve and authorize Commissioner Wippel to execute the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Application for the Walnut Heights Wastewater Treatment Plant. The application does not commit the County to taking a loan with EPA, it allows the County to become eligible for the loan program and current grants coming from the State. The list is referred to and offer grants instead of loans to the projects.

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 Jail Garage Roof Repair Change Order No. 7A-1 With Revere Roofing Company Inc.:

Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to approve Change Order No. 7A-1 with Revere Roofing Company, Inc. for the Pickaway County Jail Garage Roof Repair Project. Change Order is to provide dumpsters during the course of the project. Use \$2,700.00 of allowance #1 and unused allowance #2. Deduct a total of \$5,963.00 from the contract.

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

Resolution for Appointing the Pickaway County Port Authority as the Lead Entity for the Brownfield Remediation Program and Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program:

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

#### **Resolution No.: PC-091923-103**

Resolution for Appointing the Pickaway County Port Authority as the Lead Entity for the Brownfield Remediation Program and Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program.

#### BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF PICKAWAY COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO:

- SECTION 1. That the revised procedures for the Brownfield Remediation Program and Building demolition and Site Revitalization program states that if a County has a population of less than 100,000, a lead entity must be selected by the Board of Commissioners of said County.
- SECTION 2. That Pickaway County has a population of less than 100,000 and has already established the Pickaway County Port Authority ("Port").
- SECTION 3. That the County of Pickaway hereby recommends and designates the Port Authority as the lead entity for the Brownfield Remediation Program and Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program in accordance with R.C. 122.6511 and R.C. 122.6512.
- SECTION 4. This resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Pickaway County Commissioners.

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

Resolution for Appointing Amendments to the Agreement
To Create the Northern Pickaway County Joint Economic
Development District and Authorizing the Inclusion of Certain
Additional Harrison Township Property Within the Northern
Pickaway County Joint Economic Development District; and (Ii)
Approving Amendments to the Agreement to Create the Madison
Township Joint Economic Development District and Authorizing
The Inclusion of Certain Additional Madison Township Property
Within The Madison Township Joint Economic Development District:

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

#### **Resolution No.: PC-091923-104**

A RESOLUTION (I) APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE AGREEMENT TO CREATE THE NORTHERN PICKAWAY COUNTY JOINT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AND AUTHORIZING THE INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL HARRISON TOWNSHIP PROPERTY WITHIN THE NORTHERN PICKAWAY COUNTY JOINT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT; AND (II) APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE AGREEMENT TO CREATE THE MADISON TOWNSHIP JOINT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AND AUTHORIZING THE INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL MADISON TOWNSHIP PROPERTY WITHIN THE MADISON TOWNSHIP JOINT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT.

**WHEREAS**, Ohio Revised Code Chapter 715 (the "Act") empowers certain political subdivisions to form joint economic development districts to share in the costs of improvements for economic development purposes; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act and Resolution No. 06-32, passed by the Board of Township Trustees of Harrison Township, Pickaway County, Ohio ("Harrison Township") on June 19, 2006, Ordinance No. 2006-10 passed by the Village Council of the Village of Ashville, Pickaway County, Ohio (the "Village") on June 19, 2006, and Ordinance No. 1045-2006 passed on June 12, 2006 by the City Council of the City of Columbus, Ohio (the "City" and collectively with the Township and the Village, the "NPC JEDD Parties"), the JEDD Parties each approved, authorized, and entered into the Northern Pickaway County Joint Economic Development District Agreement dated August 30, 2007 (as amended from time to time, the "NPC Agreement"), which NPC Agreement creates and provides for the operation of a joint economic development district commonly known as the Northern Pickaway County Joint Economic Development District (the "NPC JEDD"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, and Resolution No. 09-01, passed on December 29, 2009 by the Board of Township Trustees of Madison Township ("Madison Township"), Ordinance No. 2007-04, passed on May 21, 2007 by the Village Council of the Village, and Ordinance No. 1787-2008, passed on February 9, 2009 by the City Council of the City, Madison Township, the Village, and the City are each party (the "Madison Township JEDD Parties") to the Madison Township Joint Economic Development District Agreement dated June 30, 2010 ( as amended from time to time, the "Madison Township Agreement"), which Madison Township Agreement creates and provides for the operation of a joint economic development district commonly known as the Madison Township Joint Economic Development District (the "Madison Township JEDD"); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ohio Revised Section 715.72(L), the NPC JEDD Parties now desire to amend the NPC Agreement to add certain additional real property to the territory of the NPC JEDD (the

"NPC Additional Property") and, to that end, have negotiated a series of two amendments to the NPC Agreement (collectively, the "NPC JEDD Amendments"), forms of which are attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u> and <u>Exhibit B</u>, respectively; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ohio Revised Section 715.72(L), the Madison Township JEDD Parties now desire to amend the Madison Township Agreement to add certain additional real property to the territory of the Madison Township JEDD (the "Madison Township Additional Property") and, to that end, have negotiated a series of two amendments to the Madison Township Agreement (collectively, the "Madison Township JEDD Amendments"), forms of which are attached hereto as <a href="Exhibit C">Exhibit C</a> and <a href="Exhibit D">Exhibit D</a>, respectively; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 715.72, the NPC JEDD Parties each conducted a public hearing regarding the NPC JEDD Amendments, with appropriate public notice, and made available for public examination all documents required by law for review; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 715.72, the Madison Township JEDD Parties each conducted a public hearing regarding the Madison Township JEDD Amendments, with appropriate public notice, and made available for public examination all documents required by law for review; and

**WHEREAS**, the NPC Additional Property and the Madison Township Additional Property lie within Pickaway County, and this Board of County Commissioners (the "Board") of Pickaway County, Ohio (the "County" or "Pickaway County") has been provided with copies of the NPC JEDD Amendments and the Madison Township JEDD Amendments.

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

**SECTION 1.** The Board approves the NPC JEDD Amendments in substantially the forms attached to this Resolution as <u>Exhibit A</u> and <u>Exhibit B</u>, respectively, and determines that the NPC JEDD Amendments promote economic development and are in the best interests of this County.

**SECTION 2.** The Board approves the Madison Township JEDD Amendments in substantially the forms attached to this Resolution as <u>Exhibit C</u> and <u>Exhibit D</u>, respectively, and determines that the Madison Township JEDD Amendments promote economic development and are in the best interests of this County.

**SECTION 3.** This Board hereby finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions occurred in meetings open to the public, in compliance with law, including Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22.

**SECTION 4.** This Resolution shall take effect and be in full force immediately upon its passage and approval.

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 Matte of Catalyst Energy Partners Presentation:

Attendees: Bill Potts and Rich Abbott (landowners)

Craig Schwer, Catalyst Energy Partners, met with the Commissioners to discuss solar and renewable energy. They look for gas plants that are in financial distress and purchase them or require them by lease. Darby gas plant is a Peaker plant (a plant that does not run unless a shortage of power). If it was not for the Daby plant being in distress, Catalyst Energy would not be reaching out and the county may not know who they were. PJM has concerns of the demand for power with data centers and does not see the grid producing what is demanded. Catalyst does not have interest in gas plants owned by utility companies. A gas plant can inject 564 megawatts into the grid without causing any issues. PJM is receptive because it goes to gas plus solar to generate. Gas plants make money in two ways, ready to perform to meet demand to get paid in capacity price. With pricing dropped it is causing plants to retire. Natural gas plants need to be kept for the

next 25 years. These Peaker plants cannot run more than they are required due to the pricing of natural gas. This has caused the plant to take the penalty, which is lower than the cost to operate. Therefore, this has caused them financial distress and they are unable to pay operating expenses. PJM has put out reports addressing the concern of Peaker plants and the concern to address renewable energy. The Darby plant was financed at the rate of \$100 and now is only doing \$28. The financial side is asking of ways to address due to the plant cannot financial sustain itself. By Catalyst stepping in it will allow the plant to continue to operate and produce power to the grid.

Rick Abbott is a landowner that is considering leasing his land to help sustain the Peaker plant. He provided information from Madison County where the same thing provided revenue for the local schools and township. Bill Potts is also considering leasing his land. He owns a family farm, and they want to be able to keep their land in the family but yet it could be utilized to create power.

### In the Matter of Ohio Labor District Council:

Randy McGuire, Ohio Labor District Council, met with the Commissioners to discuss solar and a trade agreement. They just make sure that a pilot program is in place that they utilize Ohio Labor Laws and hiring local union employees. All future solar sites must now pay prevailing wages and not hiring temporary workers. They have a free trade agreement to train employees for the solar industry. The union workers seem to keep the area and community clean from debris from the site and the community does notice.

In the Matter of Fairgrounds Multi-Purpose Building Project Update with WDC Group:

Chris Wagoner and Jason Thunderburg, WDC Group, met with the Commissioners to discuss updates to the Fairgrounds Multi-Purpose Building Project. Discussions took place regarding the layout, materials, and the next phase. Additional information will be gathered by WDC Group to provide at next upcoming meeting.

## In the Matter of Weekly Dog Warden Report:

The weekly report for the Wright Poling/Pickaway County Dog Shelter was filed for the week ending September 16, 2023.

A total of \$160 was reported being collected as follows: \$15 dog license; \$15 in dog license late penalty; \$100 in redemptions and \$30 in private donations.

Seven (7) stray dogs were processed in; zero (0) dog were adopted.

With there being no further business brought before the Board, Commissioner Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Wippel, 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 BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PICKAWAY COUNTY, OHIO