

**TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 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, April 5, 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 29, 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: April Dengler, Acting 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 April 6, 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 \$292,680.26 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: April Dengler, Acting 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 April 6, 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 \$121,200.92 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: April Dengler, Acting Clerk

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**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:

**\$5,848,433.23 – First Half of Real Estate Taxes - Auditor**

**Please make the following transfers from the February 2022 Real Estate Settlement**

	<b>Transfer From</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Transfer To</b>
General	626.6031.5884	<b>\$2,516,881.38</b>	101.0000.4101
Auditor's Fees	626.6031.5890	<b>\$101,788.93</b>	101.0000.4201
Treasurer's Fees	626.6031.5891	<b>\$132,183.23</b>	101.0000.4206
REA Fees	626.6031.5883	<b>\$372,828.32</b>	260.0000.4221
Election Expense	626.6031.5884	<b>\$33,743.39</b>	101.0000.4251
Advertise Delinq Tax	626.6031.5901	<b>\$5,781.24</b>	101.0000.4253
Board of Health	626.6031.5881	<b>\$295,014.00</b>	605.0000.4221
PCB/DD	626.6031.5882	<b>\$1,732,592.81</b>	241.0000.4101
Pickaway County Park	626.6031.5826	<b>\$437,156.40</b>	639.0000.4101
DRETAC Prosecutor	626.6031.5887	<b>\$44,088.09</b>	233.0000.4221
DRETAC Treasurer	626.6031.5886	<b>\$44,088.10</b>	232.0000.4221
County Wide Sewer	626.6031.5888	<b>\$5,451.82</b>	501.0000.4101
Darby Sewer - 11060	626.6031.5880	<b>\$517.20</b>	503.0000.4101
11010 Brasket Ditch	626.6031.5868	<b>\$573.64</b>	282.0000.4601
11030 Hughes Lateral	626.6031.5852	<b>\$2,329.42</b>	265.0000.4601
11040 Hughes Main	626.6031.5853	<b>\$5,003.65</b>	264.0000.4601
11070 Greenbrian Ditch	626.6031.5864	<b>\$0.00</b>	279.0000.4601
11080 Fulks Moore Wolford	626.6031.5854	<b>\$594.28</b>	267.0000.4601
11100 Grove Run	626.6031.5855	<b>\$3,099.88</b>	270.0000.4601
11110 Wolf Run Ditch	626.6031.5872	<b>\$959.67</b>	271.0000.4601
11120 Met-Ewing-John	626.6031.5856	<b>\$2,507.84</b>	272.0000.4601
11140 Mud Run Lateral	626.6031.5857	<b>\$5,747.22</b>	274.0000.4601
11150 Blue Anderson	626.6031.5858	<b>\$2,422.34</b>	273.0000.4601
11190 Congo Lateral	626.6031.5859	<b>\$2,400.39</b>	275.0000.4601
11200 Autie	626.6031.5860	<b>\$1,650.59</b>	276.0000.4601
11220 Hughes Lateral #3	626.6031.5861	<b>\$1,352.58</b>	268.0000.4601
11230 Dry Run	626.6031.5863	<b>\$2,319.25</b>	269.0000.4601
11240 Greenbriar Ditch Ext 1	626.6031.5864	<b>\$5,496.76</b>	285.0000.4601
11241 Greenbriar Ditch Extension	626.6031.5874	<b>\$0.00</b>	279.0000.4601
11242 Greenbriar Ext	626.6031.5874	<b>\$6,003.47</b>	279.0000.4601
11250 Bulen Maint/Bulen Lat	626.6031.5865	<b>\$2,402.76</b>	266.0000.4601
11260 Hughes Upper	626.6031.5862	<b>\$3,728.20</b>	277.0000.4601
11270 Burkirk-Upper	626.6031.5869	<b>\$30,899.93</b>	278.0000.4601
11280 Wilson Group	626.6031.5870	<b>\$841.82</b>	263.0000.4601
11290 Cooks Group Open	626.6031.5871	<b>\$0.00</b>	281.0000.4601
11300 Delinq Derby Sewer	626.6031.5901	<b>\$22,598.93</b>	505.0000.4101
11310 George's Run	626.6031.5867	<b>\$2,044.56</b>	262.0000.4601
11320 Writsel Group Maint	626.6031.5873	<b>\$529.29</b>	284.0000.4601
11340 Springwater Run	626.6031.5897	<b>\$0.00</b>	286.0000.4601

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11350 Wampler Hills Storm	626.6031.5898	<b>\$1,770.83</b>	287.0000.4601
11330 Northwood Park	626.6031.5899	<b>\$0.00</b>	311.0000.4101
11360 Brill Group Ditch	626.6031.5879	<b>\$1,457.73</b>	289.0000.4601
11370 PC Acres Storm Water	626.6031.5800	<b>\$426.16</b>	283.0000.4601
11380/31240 Orient delinq sewer	626.6031.5837	<b>\$3,211.88</b>	506.0000.4101
11400 Clarks Run Term Ditch Note	626.6031.5805	<b>\$0.00</b>	316.0000.4101
11410 Clarks Run Maintenance	626.6031.5802	<b>\$8,601.26</b>	280.0000.4601
11520 DS Drainage Note	626.6031.5810	<b>\$3,437.07</b>	318.0000.4601
11530 DS Drainage Maintenance	626.6031.5804	<b>\$4.67</b>	914.0000.4601
31600 Bd of Health Permit Fees	626.6031.5881	<b>\$1,902.25</b>	618.0000.4357
		<b>\$5,848,433.23</b>	

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

Attest: April Dengler, Acting Clerk

**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:

**232.0000.4997 – Transfer In Unclaimed Funds – Auditor**

**233.0000.4997 – Transfer In Unclaimed Money – Auditor**

**921.1151.5701 – Transfer Out Unclaimed Money - Auditor**

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

Attest: April Dengler, Acting Clerk

**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.
  - Madison Township, NorthPoint Rezoning Request
- 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 4 lot splits in the last week, 10 open applications currently.
- CDBG:
  - Darbyville Engineering contract with IBI Group. Overlay Church, First and Water Street within the Village. Total engineering costs not to exceed \$8,000, plans to be complete within 3 months.
- CountryTyme closed on the Upper Landsdowne Golf Course property and the discussions pertaining to the rezoning for residential lots is beginning again. Walnut Township adopting zoning code to

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enforce maintaining road frontage requirement width throughout the property. Cannot 'narrow' off of the road.

**In the Matter of**  
**Community Development Block Grant**  
**Village of Darbyville Street Projects:**

Commissioner Harold Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Gary Scherer, to approve the agreement with IBI Group Engineering Services Inc. for the Community Development Block Grant Project in the Village of Darbyville. IBI Group Engineering Services Inc. shall provide plans, specifications, and cost estimate to overlay existing streets in the Village of Darbyville: Water Street, Church Street and First Street.

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

Attest: April Dengler, Acting Clerk

**In the Matter of**  
**Report Provided by Marc Rogols:**

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

- no BWC claims for the week
- 1 unemployment claim which was fraudulent.
- Govdeals.com – Last three auctions (Highway Garage) all items were paid for and picked up- total collected (\$4930.00). Upcoming new items: (1) Palmgren 3 Tom Arbor Press, (2) Craftsman toolboxes, (1) 1994 Gradall Excavator + buckets (\$8500.00 reserve).
- Building Department – monthly summary report – 48 permits were issued (20) for new homes, and 643 inspections were completed
- Health Insurance Update – As per last week's presentation, Wilson Partners are working to obtain updated claims data from Franklin County to finalize rates, working on a Scope of Work document and are in discussions with CEBCO.
- On Monday April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – we received the new Franklin County Health Benefits Guide – working on updating it for revisions related to the Pickaway County plan
- Personnel – (1) new hire packet was sent out (Recorder's Office) which makes 19 new hire packets for the county for the year. The Commissioner's Office Assistant position is posted on our website and at Ohio Means Jobs – no applicants to date
- Miscellaneous – the EMA vehicle that was damaged in May 2021 – received a check from Progressive for deductible (\$2500.00)
- PICCA received a letter from the supreme court recognizing their efforts for working with individuals who were dealing with eviction from their homes during the COVID-19 pandemic.

**In the Matter of**  
**Report Provided by Jon Brown, Maintenance Supervisor:**

Mr. Brown reported that he is working with the flooring company on some issues they found after installation of the new floor at the Service Center. Once those issues are resolved, Soil and Water will begin moving back into their offices. He is waiting on the review of the drawings submitted by WDC Group for the new Building Department porch/ramp. The Service Center lighting issues are being addressed. They found a short in the bottom of one of the light poles and are waiting on parts to fix it. Many of the projects for the county are on hold until supplies can be delivered to finish those projects. Jon will give an update next week.

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

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

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- Last week Mr. Cameron attended the Healthcare Coalition Meeting March 28<sup>th</sup>.
- This week the Mr. Cameron will attend the Dispatching Fire Procedures – PCSO, Active Shooter Webinar – CISA, MSA Regional Meeting – OEMA, Box 65 Meeting and Duchess Shop grand opening April 7<sup>th</sup> at 11am.
- Next Week the Mr. Cameron will be attending an LEPC Meeting, Meeting with PC School Superintendents and Meeting with Berger Hospital Executives.
- General Information
  - COVID admissions in Central Ohio area remain low.
  - Reports of Avian Bird Flu in Franklin County. Information posted on the EMA Facebook page.
  - Continued reports of cyber-crime/hacking forwarded to IT
- EMA Projects
  - Continuing development of a full-scale preparedness drill at Deer Creek State Park in August. Event is hosted by Enterprise Products.
  - 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.
  - Continuing development of the Community Emergency Response Team -training and background checks scheduled for May
  - LEPC scheduled county hazmat exercise scheduled for April 23rd
- Issues requiring Commissioners Support/Notification:
  - NIMS training available to County Executives.

**In the Matter of**  
**Report Provided by Ron Custer, Dog Warden:**

Mr. Custer reported that he is getting settled into his new position. He is aware of the social media posts that have been circulating regarding the current practices at the shelter. He assured the Commissioners that the shelter was in fact operating within the established guidelines. He also mentioned that he will be meeting with Jon Brown, Maintenance Supervisor, to discuss plans for improving the pavilion at the shelter.

**In the Matter of**  
**County Vehicle Titles:**

Commissioner Harold Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Gary Scherer, to approve and authorize Commissioner Jay Wippel to sign county vehicle title pertaining to the Pickaway County Sheriff's Office and Park District.

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

Attest: April Dengler, Acting Clerk

**In the Matter of**  
**Job & Family Services Contract Listing:**

Pursuant to the Pickaway County Board of Commissioners' Resolution of June 23, 2003, below is the list of agreements entered into, approved and otherwise executed by the Pickaway County Department of Job & Family Services and approved by the Pickaway County Board of Commissioners, The approved list contains the name of the party or parties with whom the agreement has been made, the purpose of the agreement, the commencement date and termination date of the agreement, and the compensation specified by the agreement.

Commissioner Harold Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Gary Scherer, to approve the following contract listing:

**Pickaway County Job & Family Services**  
**New or Amended Contracts**  
**January 2022 – March 2022**

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<b>PCJFS New or Amended Contracts for Jan - March 2022</b>				
<b>Organization/Agency</b>	<b>Contract Purpose</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>Termination Date</b>	<b>Contract Value</b>
Buckeye Ranch	Purchased Foster Home	1/19/2022	6/30/2022	\$416.46 per diem
First Byte Computers	PC Services	5/1/2022	4/30/2023	\$30.00 per hour
Foundation for Living	Purchased Foster Home	2/14/2022	6/30/2022	\$289.41 per diem; and \$35.00 per hour for one one services when required
Speedy Muffler Man	Vehicle Detailing	4/1/2022	3/31/2023	\$55.00-\$130.00 per vehicle; \$15.00 per car seat
Speedway	Prepaid Fuel Cards	5/1/2022	4/30/2023	Value of Card less 3% discount when ordering \$500 or more
Staff Source	Temporary Staffing Service	6/1/2022	5/31/2023	\$15.96 per hour transporter services

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

Attest: April Dengler, Acting Clerk

**In the Matter of  
Road Use and Maintenance Agreement for  
Pickaway County Engineer Department:**

Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to approve and authorize Chris Mullins, Engineer to negotiate and enter into a contract with AEP for road upgrades to establish a permanent haul route for ingress/egress to the AEP Adkins Road laydown yard. Said improvements will include the widening and resurfacing of Adkins Road, from Five Points Pk east to the entrance to the laydown yard, resurfacing of Five Points Pike from Adkins Road south to S.R. 56, and replacement of the bridge on Adkins Rd. Monroe Twp has been included in the discussions and are supportive of the project.

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

Attest: April Dengler, Acting Clerk

**In the Matter of  
Tom Kopec, Charter Commission update:**

Mr. Kopec stated that the proposed city charter has to go to the voters in August of this year, after the election, the charter commission will go away. The purpose of the charter is to bring in a City Manager. They want to ensure that the right person with the right skill set comes in to do the job. Before Mayor McIlroy, the city had 6 one-term mayors. The City Manager would have a contract and that person would have to go through an interview process, allow everyone to look at that person's skills, experience, etc. and make sure that this person is ready to run the operation and not spend time trying to learn the position. The commission wants to see growth in the City of Circleville and wants the city to look forward into the future and what that might look like. The City Manager would work on economic development. He stated that the good thing about having a City Manager is that you would have consistency. This person would be a hired position that would not have to go before the voters, which means you don't have to worry about a change if someone else gets elected to office. City Council would hire the person and have the ability to fire if necessary. With a charter, the same number of council members remains the same. The commission is looking into a four-year term for council members and have staggered terms. The president of council would come from within the council members, it would not be a separate elected position like it is currently. It will

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still be partisan. The mayor will still be in place, would give input, serve on various boards, interface with the city and be a figure head. The safety director and service director are positions that they are still researching. He wasn't sure that a City Manager could handle all of those duties. The Commission is still gathering information from other charters, cities, etc. to see how other places work their charters. One question they have is how we set up for growth and how does the city handle that? At the end of the day, the voters decide. They will be doing an education campaign to let the citizens know what's going on, next steps, etc. A charter is not affected by the state legislature. The effective date, if the charter passes in August, would be January 1, 2023. The full implementation would not be for 3-4 years. January 1, 2024 is when the City Manager would start. January 2026 is when the charter would be complete. The commission is doing their best to make the citizens understand what the charter means for the City of Circleville. If anyone has questions, they can reach out to the charter commission for answers.

**In the Matter of**  
**Lindsay Miller, Ice Miller – Broadband final report:**

Ms. Miller gave the final Broadband consulting report which included handouts and their final recommendation. The goals of the report were as follows:

- Identify areas of Pickaway County that continue to struggle with broadband connectivity
- Develop a plan for broadband infrastructure investment and deployment within the County and
- Provide recommendations pertaining to broadband access, digital equity and digital inclusion

Points of note:

- Broadband speeds offered in Pickaway County continue to increase
- However, access is not reaching all households due to:
  - Lack of physical infrastructure
  - Higher concentrations of low-buying power households
  - Lower access to internet-enabled devices
  - Emerging remote work and entrepreneurship trends need business-speed broadband standard for residential users
  - Enhancing the current residential service will help attract and retain residents to Pickaway County, particularly with the lower cost of living as compared to the Columbus metro area
  - More households participating economically through work from home will create jobs and grow the economic base, but this is dependent on access to high-speed internet

❖ Copies of the final report and executive summary are available in the Commissioner's Office.

**In the Matter of**  
**Rebecca Burke – Planning Commission Applicant:**

Ms. Burke presented her resume to the Commissioners in consideration of her possible appointment to the Planning Commission's open seat on the board. She stated that she has retired to Pickaway County with her husband. He worked for Berger/Ohio Health before he retired. She is looking for a way to serve in some capacity to see what she could offer the community. With her previous background as a County Commissioner in Pennsylvania, she thinks she can bring her expertise to the County's Planning Commission board.

Commissioner Harold Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Gary Scherer, to approve Rebecca Burke as a new member of the Planning Commission board.

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

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**In the Matter of**  
**Crystal Moody, Village of Tarlton – Harrison Street:**

Ms. Moody attended the meeting with Tarlton Mayor Al Gardner and Chris Hunt - Civil Engineer to discuss the issues the village is having with the current condition of Harrison Street. They would like to request consideration for Harrison Street to be a CDBG Critical Infrastructure project. The road has been let go for several years and they have patched it several times. The group handed out pictures and other information, estimated costs, etc. There is no way that the Village of Tarlton can afford to fix the road the way it should be fixed. The road is being utilized much more than ever before. They have reached out to Hannah and CDC of Ohio to work on getting an application for CDBG money. The Commissioners would need to support this project. Chris Hunt said that they have all been trying to clean up the community and bring investment in. He has bought several properties to have torn down to get the community looking like they want it to. They are looking for projects to enhance the village and believe that fixing Harrison Street would be one of those projects.

**In the Matter of**  
**Rose Vargo, Katie Logan-Hedges and Jessica Mullins – Inspiration Station Children’s Museum:**

Ms. Vargo stated that they came to the meeting today to talk about the Inspiration Station, which is a project of PCCF. Katie and Rose both serve on the subcommittee for this project. Today they want to talk about the need to do something for the youth in our community. They would like to partner with public and private investments to make this idea happen. They have the support of Pickaway WORKS, P3 and the Chamber of Commerce because they all realize that there is a need for this in our community. This would be a resource that is tied to the library. They have toured other facilities and this would be a unique idea. They haven’t seen any other facilities that are tied to a library. The first thing they need to do is get it built.

We are asking the Commissioners for a contribution of \$250,000 in fiscal year 2022 (\$1.5 million campaign). It will be a multi-phase capital campaign. In 2022 they want to secure enough cash to show leverage to other entities for additional funds. They may very well knock on the door again next year and ask for another \$250,000 with the additional backup support. There is a staffing component (Executive Director) and there is a business plan in place.

The architectural firm they are considering is a central Ohio company. They are looking at initial drawings right now. The museum would possibly be open 3-4 days a week, but that still hasn’t been worked out yet. They are working on pricing as to what it would cost to come to the museum. They are planning on having reduced or free admission if you meet certain criteria. There will be a public announcement on May 4<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-6:00pm at Heritage Hall. COSI will be on hand to show their support for this project. They are hoping to open to the public in 2023.

**In the Matter of**  
**Jonna Curtiss – Dog Shelter Operations:**

Jonna Curtiss attended the meeting along with Christine Allison, Amber Hunt, Kris Kuzara, Mary Johnson, N. Vick (sign-in illegible) and Pam Rhoady to discuss current dog shelter operations. Ms. Curtiss stated she was a former volunteer of one year and wanted to discuss concerns at the dog shelter which include: Lack of care given to dogs, decisions made by unqualified and inexperienced people, staff and governing body on the matters that are harming dogs and sometimes people, and to push for the shelter to adopt policies that meet industry standards.

One concern is regarding a mother dog and her puppies currently at the shelter. The puppies were born March 19<sup>th</sup> and they believe that they should have been sent to a rescue at that time. Instead, they are being held at the shelter in the general population. She stated that she had discussed with Dog Warden Ron Custer the risk of keeping the puppies at the shelter and not in a rescue. She said they could be exposed to deadly outbreaks of disease without vaccination and there was a risk to their healthy development by staying at the shelter. She stated that it has been shown that dogs kept at a shelter show increased aggression and undesirable behaviors and that keeping them at the shelter is a detriment. She acknowledged that the ORC prohibits the sale of puppies under the age of 8 weeks, but she has a rescue that is willing to take the puppies, guarantee vaccinations, hold harmless to the county and that she would remind the Commissioners that transferring underage puppies to a rescue is a common occurrence in other counties. She asked that the



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Commissioners release the puppies to the rescue. Commissioner Wippel stated that there have been many puppies born at the shelter in the past with no problems.

Other items mentioned were specific stories from the shelter. She knew that three dogs had been euthanized at the shelter and no one was notified that the dogs were going to be euthanized. No one was allowed to rescue these dogs before they were euthanized. Ms. Curtiss stated that kennel dogs have been overly stressed by staying in the shelter with no interaction from outside sources. She produced a document that describes how a shelter should be ran and stated that our shelter is not following those requirements. She also spoke about the lack of social media attention given to adoptable dogs at the shelter. No other place than Facebook shows adoptable dogs. The shelter should have other options to list adoptable dogs. She also stated that volunteers aren't able to get all of the dogs out during their volunteer time and suggestions made from the volunteers to office staff are shut down or ignored. She wants to bring the shelter up to speed on best practices for operating the shelter and feels that the current state is harmful to everyone involved. The group asked for the Commissioners cooperation in addressing these issues, they would like to have an outside source give an assessment of the shelter and decrease intake, decrease stays at the shelter and improve the quality of the shelter.

Commissioner Wippel stated that the shelter had a 99% adoption and transfer rate in 2021 and the Commissioners would take the information given to them under advisement.

**In the Matter of  
Executive Session:**

At 2:30 p.m., Commissioner Harold Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Gary Scherer, to enter into Executive Session pursuant to ORC §121.22 (G) (4) to discuss collective bargaining matters pertaining to the Pickaway County Sheriff's Office employees, with April Dengler, County Administrator, Kelly Babcock and Jacob Booth, Clemans Nelson 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: April Dengler, Acting Clerk

At 3:10 p.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: April Dengler, Acting Clerk

No action taken.

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

- Ms. Dengler state that 2 RFQ's were received for the Fairgrounds Consulting Phase 2 project – MS Consultants and WDC Group. Rating sheets will be provided by her at next Tuesday's Commissioner meeting for the formal review of the RFQ's.
- Ms. Dengler gave an overview of the Building Department porch/ramp replacement timeline submitted by WDC Group. Bid opening will be May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 at 10:00am. Construction is planned to begin on May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 with completion, weather and supply chain permitting, on July 25, 2022.
- Ms. Dengler received a quote from Circleville Turf Care for weed control at the lift stations, radio towers and dog shelter for 2022. The quote was \$70.00 more than it was in 2021.
- Ms. Dengler spoke about issues that have come up during the past week at the Annex involving the homeless. A case of vandalism occurred on Friday to the front door of the Annex. A black sharpie was used to write an unfavorable message on it. The suspect was captured on a security camera while vandalizing the door. After the city police took a report, the maintenance staff removed the writing from the door.

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- Ms. Dengler presented a proposal from the Adult Probation office at the request of Judge Knece to invoice their office for the personnel services of three individuals in the amount of \$152,752.63. The money received from the invoice would come from T-Cap monies and would be deposited back into the general fund to be used for future adult probation projects.
- Ms. Dengler stated that a press release for the ARPA monies given to PCCF as a subgrantee has been drafted and she will submit that to the Commissioners next week for their review.

**In the Matter of**  
**Circleville Turf Lawn Care:**

Commissioners reviewed and discussed the quote received for weed control, Commissioner Harold Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Gary Scherer, to accept the quotes from Circleville Turf Care for weed control at the lift stations, radio towers and dog shelter for 2022. The quote was \$70.00 more than it was in 2021.

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

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**In the Matter of**  
**Adult Probation:**

Commissioner Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Scherer to approve the invoicing to Adult Probation per the request of Judge Knece to invoice their office for the personnel services of three individuals in the amount of \$152,752.63. The money received from the invoice would come from T-Cap monies and would be deposited back into the general fund to be used for future adult probation projects.

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

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**In the Matter of**  
**Resolution Stating the Opposition for the Scioto Farms Solar Project:**

During business conducted while in session, Commissioner Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Wippel, to adopt the following Resolution:

**Resolution No.: PC-040522-30**

**Resolution stating the opposition of the Pickaway County Board of  
Commissioners to the proposed Scioto Farms Solar Project.**

**WHEREAS**, in Case No. 19-1880-EL-BGN the Ohio Power Siting Board previously authorized Atlanta Farms Solar Project, LLC to construct and operate a 199.6 Megawatt solar-powered electric generating facility over 2,276 acres located in Deer Creek and Perry Townships in Pickaway County, Ohio; and

**WHEREAS**, in Case No. 20-972-EL-BGN the Ohio Power Siting Board previously authorized Yellowbud Solar, LLC to construct and operate a 274 Megawatt solar-powered electric generating facility on approximately 2,040 acres located in Union and Deerfield townships in Ross County, Ohio, and Wayne and Deer Creek townships in Pickaway County, Ohio; and

**WHEREAS**, pending before the Ohio Power Siting Board in Case Nos. 21-868-EL-BGN, 21-960-EL-BGN, and 21-1090-EL-BGN are requests to construct and operate additional solar-powered electric generating facilities. The project areas for the facilities by Scioto Farms Solar Project, LLC, Chipmunk Solar LLC, and Circleville Solar, LLC, would respectively consume 1,070 acres, 3,680 acres, and 756 acres in Pickaway County, Ohio; and

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**WHEREAS**, the Pickaway County Board of Commissioners has responsibility for preserving the general health, safety, and welfare within the territory of Pickaway County; and

**THEREFORE**, be it Resolved that the Pickaway County Board of Commissioners hereby finds and determines that the application by Scioto Farms Solar Project, LLC in Case No. 21-868-EL-BGN before the Ohio Power Siting Board will not promote the general health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Pickaway County and therefore the Pickaway County Board of Commissioners expresses its opposition to the request to construct and operate the facility.

Voting on the motion was as follows: Commissioner Wippel, yes; Commissioner Henson, yes; Commissioner Scherer, no. Motion carried.

Attest: April Dengler, Acting Clerk

**In the Matter of**  
**Weekly Dog Warden Report:**

The weekly report for the Wright Poling/Pickaway County Dog Shelter was filed for week ending April 2, 2022.

A total of \$340 was reported being collected as follows: \$120 in dog license; \$75 in dog license late penalty; \$40 in owner turn-in (puppy); \$100 in adoptions and \$5 in private donations.

One (1) stray dog was processed in; two (2) 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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