

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2023
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, September 26, 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) (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 9:00 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
Hiring William Nungester for
IT Technician Position:

Mr. Rogols, Deputy County Administrator and Robert Adkins, IT Director conducted interviews for the IT Technician position, and it was their recommendation to hire William Nungester.

Following a brief discussion regarding the recommendation, Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to hire William Nungester, Commercial Point, Ohio, as the new IT Technician, effective October 2, 2023, at the rate of \$22.00 an hour with a 90-day probation 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
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

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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 26, 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 **\$569,637.06** 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 26, 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 **\$664,346.40** 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 Harold Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Gary Scherer, to approve the following requests for APPROPRIATION:

\$9,600.00 – 234.2064.5203 – Insurance Red VOCA – Victims of Crime

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
Transfer and Reappropriations Approved:

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

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**\$2,920.00 – 505.6918.5401 – Derby Sewer Contract Service s- Engineer
TO**

505.6918.5102 – Derby Sewer Employee Salary – Engineer

**\$410.00 – 505.6918.5401 – Derby Sewer Contract Services – Engineer
TO**

505.6918.5201 – Derby Sewer PERS – Engineer

**\$9,295.04 – 101.1140.5444 – Election Assistance – Board of Elections
TO**

101.1140.5478 – Remit to State – Board of Elections

**\$1,428.39 – 101.1140.5444 – Election Assistance – Board of Elections
TO**

101.1140.5301 – Supplies – Board of Elections

**\$19,464.07 – 101.1140.5444 – Election Assistance – Board of Elections
TO**

101.1140.5401 – Contract Services – Board of Elections

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

Attest: Angela Karr, Clerk

**In the Matter of
Fund Transfer Approved:**

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

**\$100,000.00 – 101.1105.5701 – Transfer Out – Commissioners
TO**

246.0000.4901 – Transfers In Dog Shelter - 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

**In the Matter of
Waiver Approved:**

Nancy Graham, Fiscal Specialist, requested a waiver to pay Verizon Connect, in a timely manner related to the Sheriff's Office. After discussing the request, Commissioner Harold Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Gary Scherer, to waive the waiting period to issue payment to Verizon Connect, in the amount of \$3,722.42 as follows:

\$3,722.42 #101.2096.5401 Contract Services / Sheriff

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

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In the Matter of
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 5 lot splits in the last week, 5 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)
- Catalyst Energy Follow-Up

In the Matter of
Report Provided by Michael Sherron:

The following is a summary of the report provided by Michael Sherron, EMA Director.

- This week VESTA Integration Internal Project Meeting, Intern, Allison Thompson, started Monday. Mr. Sherron is excited to have the help and to help her develop in her career and education! ARES meeting, Cybersecurity Course with Robert at Franklin County, Fire Chiefs Meeting, Ag Days Event at Fairgrounds – CERT providing first aid coverage and Emergency Preparedness Talk for Pickaway Senior Center lunch.
- Next week Hazmat Operations Training at Harrison / Scioto Twp, National Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA) Test at 2:20 p.m. Wednesday, CERT Practical Skills Session, LEPC Exercise Design Committee Meeting.
- General Information
 - Run card project continuing – Harrison Twp is continuing to test their cards. Will need an extension of Chad Noggle’s contract.
 - 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 –
 - 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.
- 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, 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.

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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, or unemployment claims filed for the week. There have been 14 fraudulent unemployment claims filed for the year.
- The buyer of the 2023 Bare 8' F-250 truck bed that sold on Govdeals was notified of non-payment. Re-auction pending.
- Four new hire packets were sent out last week (Engineer's Office, Prosecutor and Adult Probation). A total of 66 new hire packets were handed out year-to-date. The full-time and part-time custodial positions and Deputy Dog Warden position posted with no applications received. The 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 had three applicants with interviews last Wednesday. The Maintenance Worker for the Sheriff's Office re- posted with new wage and has one new applicant. Park District Executive Director position posted with interviews pending.
- Pumpkin Show parking permits submitted to Service Center. Charitable agencies will be doing their parking fundraiser Tuesday through Saturday at \$10.00 per vehicle. Parking permits signed/ stamped not required and ready for distribution.
- Mr. Rogols continues to meet with maintenance staff to discuss the 2023 capital improvement assignments and provided a maintenance update.
 - PCSO: Koorsen completed inspection/ certification for jail kitchen suppression.
 - Courthouse Courtyard: Durable Slate started September 13th and continues.
 - Jail Parking Lot: Roese Brothers completed last Friday.
 - Jensen Plumbing ordered the two water softeners for the courthouse and Health Department. Replacements in process.
 - Maintenance painted the courthouse steps.
 - Mr. Rogols presented the Willow contract for jail doors.

In the Matter of
Dog Shelter Roof over Sidewalk Leading to Shelter House
With American Rescue Plan Funds:

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

Resolution No.: PC-092623-105

Dog Shelter Roof over Sidewalk Leading to Shelter House

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: AMERICAN 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:

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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 from 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 install a new roof over the sidewalk leading to the shelter house at the Pickaway County Dog Shelter in the amount of \$9,600.00 from Pine Valley Construction.

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 \$9,600.00 to Pine Valley Construction.

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
Outside Awnings for Service Center Entrances
With American Rescue Plan Funds:**

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

Resolution No.: PC-092623-106

Outside Awnings for Service Center Entrances

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: AMERICAN 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

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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.

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 install new outside awnings for the Service Center entrances in the amount of \$20,905.00 from Pine Valley Construction.

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 \$20,905.00 to Pine Valley Construction.

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
Juvenile Court Amendment Form/ Fiscal
Accountability Grant Amendment:

Commissioner Gary Scherer offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Harold Henson, to approve and authorize Commissioner Wippel to execute the Amendment Form/ Fiscal Accountability (to replace attachment A page 1 of the Grant Agreement. The amendment is to the subsidy grant to support activity admission for the Pickaway-Hocking CASA program by increasing from \$106,468.00 to \$119,205.20.

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
Annexation Petition Filed for the Type II
Annexation of 2.432 +/- Acres of Harrison Township
Into the Village of Ashville for
George and Samantha Hardbarger:

As the first official act related to a Type II Annexation petition filed for the annexation 2.432 +/- acres of Harrison Township into the Village of Ashville, the commissioners' clerk informed them that the petition was filed on Friday, September 22, 2023, and is hereby entered upon the Pickaway County Commissioners' Journal #67, pages dated September 26, 2023. Agent for the petitioners is Bruce A. Moore, Gordon Reese Skully Mansukhani, 41 South High Street, Suite 2495, Columbus, Ohio 43215. In the initial

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review of the annexation petition, all necessary documents appear to have been to be submitted with the annexation petition, with the exception of the ordinance or resolution from the Village of Ashville that it will provide the necessary services. Per ORC §709.023 (C), this must be received within 20 days after the filing of the petition. Per §709.023 (D), the Harrison Township Trustee are to file an ordinance or resolution consenting or objecting to the annexation within 25 days. If no ordinance or resolution is submitted within 25 days, it is presumed to be consent.

- *The Annexation has been placed as a 11:00 a.m. agenda item on the commissioners' October 24, 2023, regular meeting day schedule.*

**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 insurance rate spreadsheet for next year.
- Mrs. Metzger discussed ARP resolutions.

**In the Matter of
Sheriff's Office Report:**

Audrea Welch, Pickaway County Sheriff's Office discussed the 2024 Body Worn Camera Grant Program. The grant is for \$45,000 but can only ask for \$22,673.72 due to the timing. Next year they can apply for additional funds. The total for 20 cameras and one docking station is \$210,738. The grant would reimburse up to \$22,673.72 and the county would be responsible for the remaining balance of \$188,064.34. Commissioner Scherer asked what the cost would be if the cameras were bought outright with no financing and Ms. Welch does not believe there is a cost break but will look into it. The Commissioners requested that the grant be re-written for less camera at this time, so that the grant will cover most of the cost. We can re-apply next year for additional camera units. Ms. Welch is working on applying for a Training grant and submitting a junior deputy grant that they should here back from soon. \$8,000 (\$4,500 grant and \$4,500 matching).

**In the Matter of
Community Development Block Grant
Critical Infrastructure Village of Tarlton
Street Improvement Project:**

The bid opening was conducted on September 26, 2023, for the Community Development Block Grant, Critical Infrastructure, Village of Tarlton Street Improvement Project. The project was estimated at \$453,124.00.

The following bids were opened and read:

Fillmore Construction LLC
11741 State Route 72
Leesburg, OH 45135
\$601,119.00

Bids were handed over to WDC Group for review and recommendation.

**In the Matter of
Community Development Block Grant
Village of Williamsport Tank Painting Project:**

The bid opening was conducted on September 26, 2023, for the Community Development Block Grant, Williamsport Water Tower Repair Project. The project was estimated at \$140,800.00.

The following bids were opened and read:

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Maguire Iron, Inc.
P.O. Box 1446
Sioux Falls, SD 57101
\$107,000.00

George Kountoupes Painting Co.
661 Southfield Rd.
Lincoln Park, MI 48146
\$105,000.00

Bids were handed over to WDC Group for review and recommendation.

In the Matter of
Pickaway Correctional Institution Water and Sewer
Feasibility Study with Arcadi IBI Group
For the Pickaway County Engineer:

Chris Mullins, County Engineer and Randy Stoll, IBI Arcadis, met with the Commissioners to discuss the PCI Water and Sewer Feasibility Study. The Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections (ODRC) owns and operates both the water and wastewater treatment system for its facilities located in Scioto Township. Pickaway County Board of Commissioners and ODRC are considering a transfer of ownership of the treatment facilities and much of their associated infrastructure from ODRC to the County. A copy of the study was provided for review.

The Commissioners have concerns with how many employees are recommended by EPA. Mr. Stoll explained that they would have a 40-hour primary operator for each plant, an assistant operator for each plant and then a superintendent for each plant. Mr. Mullins explained that it is based on the capacity of the plant and the only way employees would have to be increased as per the permit. The two employees that Mr. Mullins currently has are at their max in the hours required and he has had to pull two additional employees from the garage to help them install meters. There will be required hours at each plant after the meters are installed. The engineer is sitting well right now because he has not been billed from ODRC in three years.

Commissioner Wippel addressed repairs that will be needed in the future. It looks like it will accumulate a balance of half a million each year, however what if a \$3 million repair or facility update is needed. It is a cost that customers will pay through their rates, and this would be the largest scale the county would have in a billable facility. Mr. Mullins feels they will not have day-to-day repairs, it will be more like day-to-day maintenance. Commissioner Wippel asked the question of why the State is wanting the County to take over and Mr. Stoll explained that with all the new technology they were running into issues of finding operators or inmates having the knowledge to run the facilities. The Commissioners have concerns with taking the facilities on and becoming a responsibility of the county. ODRC current project is two years and are six months into the project. The feasibility study summary did not include any expansion. The Commissioners requested an updated summary including any expansion in the calculations.

The question was asked who provides service to Harrisburg and it is currently serviced by Franklin County. Commercial Point is a long way away from the main which would make it difficult to service. The Village of Commercial Point is expanding their treatment facility and will be able to provide a service to more customers in the future.

In the Matter of
Executive Session:

At 11:43 a.m., Commissioner Harold Henson offered the motion, seconded by Commissioner Gary Scherer, 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 Tim Colburn, P3, Ryan Scribner, Montrose Group, Bethany Reid, Healthcare Logistics, Debbie Scherer, Diane Hill, Edward Jones, April Dengler, County Administrator, Marc Rogols, Deputy County Administrator and Angela Karr, Clerk in attendance.

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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

❖ Ryan Scribner, Bethany Reid, Debbie Scherer, Diane Hill left session.

At 1:40 p.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
Auditor's Monthly Report:**

Brad Washburn, Auditor, met with the Commissioners to provide an update on the new tax rates. He has the new rates, however, there are levies on the ballot that may or may not pass and this plays into the calculation. Mr. Washburn also had the new CAUV rates. There was a significant increase in some soil types and some others did not change. Commissioner Scherer requested Mr. Washburn take five parcels from each school district and do the calculations with the news rates so that we can see examples.

Mr. Washburn discussed that Pickaway County is a little behind to send out a mailer regarding rate increases. He suggested in two weeks he would have all final figures for new construction and should know exactly what each parcel increase will be. He would like to send out a press release and post it to his website. He will continue to research and follow-up.

**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 23, 2023.

A total of \$530 was reported being collected as follows: \$60 dog license; \$45 in dog license late penalty; \$180 in adoptions; \$50 in redemptions; \$25 in microchip fees and \$30 in private donations.

Two (2) stray dogs were processed in; three (3) dogs 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
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Angela Karr, Clerk