Thursday January 8, 2015
Boardroom of the Commissioners
622 Croghan St., Fremont, OH 43420

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Session began at 8:00a. Commissioner Thatcher is absent today.

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Throughout the day the following occurred ......................

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Commissioners reviewed numerous mailings. Several other items for other offices were signed and/or reviewed by the Commissioners. Minutes from session 12.31.2014 were reviewed and approved. Of particular note was the signing of the recently agreed upon contract for SCDJFS.

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County Administrator discussion: Discussion was had on the matter of covering copier costs for SCDJFS which would allow their funds to cover more in the areas of CSEA and some other administrative costs. CA explained that SCDJFS has been paying as much in toner costs as the entire replacement of the copier fleet would currently run. This is a manner by which the Commissioners can show their support for the programs at the SCDJFS. Furthermore, it is a way to offer assistance without giving them additional funding. Commissioners discussed this matter and noted that if the costs could be recouped from the cost allocation that SCDJFS pays yearly than they will support the issue.

Matter of a ditch fund that is short due to unpaid taxes was also addressed. CA would like to make a transfer from ditch rotary fund rather than use funds from the GRF.

Also addressed was the matter of the security camera system at the county jail. This project has been stalled due to lack of being able to place staff on it continuously. CA and Facility Management Director have recommended that a local outside contractor be employed to care for the cable runs. This part of the project is the most labor intensive. A quote for time and materials has been offered by Burkett Electric. This firm has cared for much of the electrical work in the jail and knows the facility well. The quote is $20K. CA recommended opening a purchase order from the Permanent Improvement Fund for $25K. Commissioner Polter moved to have Burkett Electric employed to care for the cabling job through the Permanent Improvement Fund for $25K with a second offered by Commissioner Schwochow. The ensuing vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

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SCDJFS representative Bilby and McGrath met with the Commissioners. The following were points of discussion.

Children Services – Final numbers have not been finalized and probably will not be until March ’15.
Collabor8 – MOU has been finalized and Holmes and Carroll counties are officially onboard. Holmes will be helping with quality assurance. There are a lot of technical issues in bringing the two new counties up to speed.

Copiers/van status – Discussion was had on the matter of the vehicle the Commissioners will be purchasing for the SCDJFS. McGrath is supposed to be working on that matter. The copier matter was discussed at length with the final decision being that the SCDJFS should proceed on their own in the procurement of the copiers/multifunction units.

Snow emergencies – Question arose if the matter of delays has ever been considered in lieu of weather closings. Commissioners wondered aloud where the line would be drawn and how this might affect the overall actions of the system (overtime, calamity days, etc.). Some discussion will be had after SCDJFS looks to some other counties for information regarding how it is handled elsewhere.

Miscellaneous – Bilby presented some random information about the matter of the activities of the CSEA.

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Then & Now Certificates: none

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Personnel actions taken: none

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Travel requests approve: none

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Public forum portion of session proceeded.

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Citizen attendees: Woodville Township Trustee, Paul Heineman, approached the Commissioners about the matter of EMS service in that area. He would like to open the conversation lines again as the costs for the current life-squad are increasing quite a bit. Commissioners indicated that they are willing to have a conversation about the matter to discuss the establishment of a squad or the reinstating subsidy payments and will approach the EMS director and see what can be organized for a meeting.

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Judge Smith met with the Commissioners. He brought documents for an amendment pertinent to a DYS grant his court receives. Commissioner Polter signed the required documents.

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RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED ON THIS DATE

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2015 - 01
AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE SANDUSKY COUNTY SANITARY ENGINEER (SCSE) WITH THE SANDUSKY COUNTY PARK DISTRICT (SCPD)

M – Polter S - Schwochow VOTE – yes, all

M – 02
APPROVING AND ENTERING INTO AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOARD OF SANDUSKY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, SANDUSKY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES AND THE LOCAL 3466, OHIO COUNCIL 8, AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES, AFL-CIO

M - Schwochow S – Polter VOTE – yes, all

2015 – 03
Funds Transfers – Commissioners (YRLY SWCD, EMA, REG. PLAN) - $85,160

M - Polter S - Schwochow VOTE – yes, all

2015 – 04
AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR SUPPLEMENT TO THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN FUND (WPCLF) FOR THE HOME SEWAGE TREATMENT SYSTEMS PROGRAM (HSTS)

M - Schwochow S – Polter VOTE – yes, all

2015 – 05
ENTERING INTO CONTRACT WITH OHIO TELECOM, INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF A FULLY HOSTED VOICE OVER INTERNET PROTOCOL (VOIP) PHONE SYSTEM FOR SANDUSKY COUNTY

M - Polter S - Schwochow VOTE – all, yes
ENTERING INTO CONTRACT WITH OHIO TELECOM, INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF A FIBER OPTIC LINK TO THE SANDUSKY COUNTY COURT #2 IN WOODVILLE, OHIO

M - Schwochow  S – Polter  VOTE – all, yes

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Jim Bowlus, President of Oakwood Cemetery Association, met with the Commissioners. He presented a check to the Commissioners for the work that the CWP services in the amount of $1,500. He wanted to present it in person so he could comment on how much the trustees in the Association appreciate the efforts of the program.

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Brian Koth, citizen complainant, wanted to address the matter of his perception of the problems that the offices of the Sheriff and the Prosecutor have. He noted that he is very upset with the matter of being charged with a felony kidnapping of his daughter which he noted is not the case. He has a pretrial slated on this charge and believes that he has been unjustly treated. He offered in a very vocal manner how he believes that his rights have been violated. He is pursuing the matter of collecting on the bonds that the Sheriff and the Prosecutor have presented as he feels that they have not performed their duties and have wrongly treated him. After an extended period of time and after being allowed to present his case and with the Commissioners listening politely to his venting Koth noted that he had taken up enough of the Commissioners’ time. They offered him their understanding and wished him the best in his endeavors.

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At 11:45a and with business concluded for the day Commissioner Polter moved to adjourn with a second to the motion offered by Commissioner Schwochow. The ensuing vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

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Board of County Commissioners, Sandusky County, Ohio

Attest: ________________________________

Clerk to the Board

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Board of Commissioners, Sandusky County, Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing Is a true and correct copy from the official record of said? Board of County Commissioners as recorded in its Journal.

Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, Sandusky County, Ohio