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Thursday April 16, 2015
Boardroom of the Commissioners
622 Croghan St., Fremont, OH 43420

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Session began at 8:00a.
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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 04.14.15 were reviewed and approved. Invoices were approved in electronic and paper fashion.

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County Administrator discussion:

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Then and Now Certificates:

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Sean O’Connell – Sheriff Office -Discussed body cams for deputies. Feels it's very important to have some type of device. The Board does want to make sure that there is a policy in place prior to putting anything in place. Norman Solze was contacted and asked about a policy during trial periods with any type of camera. CoRSA does have a best practice policy that could be used. April 29th a company will be coming up to demo a body cam if Board is interested.

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John Willey – Regional Planning – Came to talk about the dam removal. Flood plane maps will have to be updated once removed because this will change the zone. The dam is not a flood control dam so there should not be much change. Map revision timelines will need to be established and waiting for FEMA to inform the City on documentation process and permits needed.

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Ken Buchele – CWP – ODOT grant regarding highway clean up. Ken does not have the inmate population to run a second crew to do this. Coming into the season where he will be doing more mowing and weed control.
Community Garden will be established this year. Most plots have been applied for and they should be planting and taking care of that section all summer.

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Karen LaFountain – Asking if she can contact a temp agency to assist with collections from male clients since Mike is gone. Approval was given as long as it is in her budget.

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Personnel actions taken: none

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Travel requests approved: none

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Public forum portion of session proceeded.

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Citizen attendees: Doug Crowl regarding Stahl ditch project. Complaint regarding the original ditch project did not go far enough. He has spent money already to fix problem and does not want them to come in and tear out what he did and charge him for that.

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Media attendees: Tom Fullen was present.

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At 10:15am Commissioner Polter moved to enter into executive session for the express purpose of completing employee evaluations. Commissioner Thatcher seconded the motion ensuing vote was unanimous in the affirmative. At 11:10am Commissioner Thatcher moved to exit executive session Commissioner Polter, ensuing vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

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Steve Shiets – Sanitary Engineer Quarterly meeting

1. County Projects
   a. Ireland Force Main Replacement – OPWC 0% Loan $170,000
      • Driveway complaints at 1052 and 1114 Siler Street remain.
      • Redo the driveways in Spring with a different contractor.
      • 1052 Siler Street quote ($2,280)
   b. Hayes Avenue Sanitary Sewers (Phase 1) – OPWC Grant $275,000
      • Project completed for approximately $1.375 million.
      • Three Connections are completed to date.
      • Commissioners agreed to take on $200,000 of the OWDA loan (3.31% for 20 years).
      • $13,831.38 annually
      • Need to discuss metered rate structure or leave as flat rate structure.
   c. Wightmans Grove – Design & Construction Loan with Principal Forgiveness 2012
      • Need County General Plan to continue with Wightman’s General Plan.
      • County General Plan should be completed soon.
      • Anticipate plant and collection system construction in 2016.
      • 0% Planning Loan for $20,000 is also available.
   d. E. State Street (Phase 2 – Timpe Road) - $275,000 OPWC Loan
      • Final plans for County Engineer and Ohio EPA PTI submittal.
      • Anticipate collection system construction in 2015-2016.
   e. W. Hayes Avenue (Phase 2 – Residential)
      • Project will be bid with E. State Street (Phase 2).

2. County Comprehensive Water & Sanitary Sewer General Plan
   • General Plan (Third Draft) was reviewed.
   • Waiting for the next draft.

3. District #1 Agreement
   • Draft District #1 Agreement has been proceeding.
   • County negotiation team: Commissioner Thatcher, County Administrator, Ballville Township Trustee (Bob Kusmer) & Sandusky Township Trustee (Paul Lotycz)
   • Agreement streamlines existing old agreement.
   • Eventually switches County sewer customers billing to the County.
   • Joint use of Ireland Lift Station for Pinewood Village Area (similar to
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Grandview).
• Updates the current rates for both the City of Fremont & the County.
• I/I Plan was submitted by the City of Fremont for the Ohio EPA approval.
• City approved time extension via Council and the Commissioners approved it as well.
• Extension is to the end of last year or June 30, 2015.
• Met on February 18, 2015 and on March 19, 2015.

4. Park District Project (White Star Park)
• White Star costs were updated for the Park District.
• Total Sewer Project Cost of $421,200 (Original quote was $383,740.50).
• Changed Single Grinders to Duplex Grinders.
• Decreased Force Main Size from 4” to 3”.
• Total Water Project Cost of $690,235 (Original quote was $436,020.00)
• Unit prices were dramatically less than new estimate.

5. Misty Meadows (Campfire – Sandusky County)
• NPDES application was submitted for the Ohio EPA Permit.
• Technical Service Agreement will be completed when Permit is issued.

6. Sandusky Township Sewer District
• Township is working on a project to connect approximately 10 properties.
• Most of the properties will connect via Grinder Stations into the Township Sewer District.

7. Miscellaneous
• Personnel Items
• Working on updating Position Descriptions.
• Cubic Utility Billing Program & Website
• Website is being created by WAMH Design sanduskycountysanitaryengineers.com)
• Credit card payments via online payments will be rolled out shortly.
• Add a link to the County website for online payments.
• Shorewood Sewer Yard
• Met with Commissioners on March 31, 2015.
• Forwarded proposal to Norm Solze for a legal opinion after the meeting.
• Have not heard anything yet.
• Sheriff’s Impound Lot behind Storage Yard
• This was a temporary vehicle lot for the Sheriff.
• The Workfare Program was to maintain yard area in exchange for the lot.
• Weeds around the vehicles were to be trimmed as well as entire fence line.
• Also entire yard area was to be mowed.
• Two years ago Workfare Program hit the back of the Storage Building (never repaired).
• Grass area has been rutted up due to the vehicles sinking into the ground.
• Incident on March 3, 2015 - Suspicious vehicles were in stone area.
• People were looking at vehicle in the Impound Lot.
• Called Dispatch and were advised that no one should be back there.
• Vehicles left and then came back with one vehicle.
• Caught sanitary engineer employee investigating what vehicle they were at.
• Turned out the people were authorized but they were not supervised.
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Call Shorewood Village individuals and set up a day and time to meet out there and discuss upkeep and care of the property. Fenced area behind dispatch, can that be used for impound area for cars and take them from behind the utility buildings.

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Ginny Shrimplin – CoRSA – Jeff Gillmor, Denyce Klett – Huntington – Discussed the renewal and the position the County is in. Investments and financial strength of the group is very good. All counties had a decrease in premiums for this year. Talked about increasing coverage on cyber liability.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED ON THIS DATE

2015-118

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPROPRIATION TRANSFER FROM SUPPLIES TO TRAVEL TO ALLOW FOR CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS FOR NEW AUDITOR. ($1500.00)

M - Polter         S - Thatcher         VOTE – Yes

At 3:50p and with business concluded for the day Commissioner Thatcher 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.

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Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, Sandusky County, Ohio