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MINUTES: Regular Session – October 14, 2010

The Board met in regular session pursuant to adjournment of the October 12, 2010, meeting.

David G. Young - present

Pat Arnold South - present

C. Michael Kilburn - present

Tina Davis, Clerk - present

Minutes from the October 12, 2010, meeting, were read and approved.

- 10-1506 A resolution was adopted to accept Resignation of Sarah Vargo, Protective Services Caseworker II, within Warren County Job and Family Services, Children Services Division, effective October 26, 2010. Vote: Unanimous
- 10-1507 A resolution was adopted to designate Family and Medical Leave of Absence to Patricia Solinski, Business Manager, within the Water and Sewer Department. Vote: Unanimous
- 10-1508 A resolution was adopted to declare various items within Auditor's Office, Sheriff's Office, Mary Haven Youth Center and Engineer's Office as surplus and authorize the disposal of said items. Vote: Unanimous
- 10-1509 A resolution was adopted to approve and authorize the President and/or Vice-President of this Board to sign a Subgrant Award Agreement on Behalf of the Greater Warren County Drug Task Force. Vote: Unanimous
- 10-1510 A resolution was adopted to affirm "Then and Now" requests pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 5705.41(D) (1). Vote: Unanimous
- 10-1511 A resolution was adopted to approve various Refunds. Vote: Unanimous

- 10-1512 A resolution was adopted to accept Amended Certificate into Grants Administration Pass through Fund #261 and approve Supplemental Appropriation Adjustment into Fund #261. Vote: Unanimous
- 10-1513 A resolution was adopted to accept an Amended Certificate and approve an Appropriation Decrease within Fund #484. Vote: Unanimous
- 10-1514 A resolution was adopted to approve an Operational Transfer from Commissioners Fund #101 into Human Services Fund #203. Vote: Unanimous
- 10-1515 A resolution was adopted to approve Operational Transfer from Commissioners Fund #101 into Human Services Fund #203. Vote: Unanimous
- 10-1516 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustment from Commissioners General Fund #101-1110 into Common Pleas Community Corrections Fund #101-1224
- 10-1517 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustment from Commissioners General Fund #101-1110 into Common Pleas Probation Fund #101-1223. Vote: Unanimous
- 10-1518 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustment within Common Pleas Probation Fund #101-1223. Vote: Unanimous
- 10-1519 A resolution was adopted to approve an Appropriation Adjustment within the Sewer Revenue Fund No. 580. Vote: Unanimous
- 10-1520 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustment within Mental Health Grant Fund #228, Common Pleas Community Corrections Fund #101-1224 and CPC - Pretrial Services Fund #101-1222. Vote: Unanimous
- 10-1521 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustment within Coroner's Fund #101-2100. Vote: Unanimous
- 10-1522 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustments within Children Services Fund #273. Vote: Unanimous
- 10-1523 A resolution was adopted to authorize payment of Bills. Vote: Unanimous
- 10-1524 A resolution was adopted to Selection of an Engineering Firm for the County-Wide Special Needs Plan on behalf of the Warren County Department of Emergency Services. Mrs. South - yea; Mr. Young - yea; Mr. Kilburn - nay

- 10-1525 A resolution was adopted to approve and enter into an Agreement with the Warren County Educational Service Center along with the Warren County Board of Developmental Disabilities for Assisted Living/Support Services to help Children remain within the Community and out of Residential Placement, on behalf of the Warren County Children Services, on behalf of Family and Children First Council. Vote: Unanimous
- 10-1526 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustment within Courts Building Energy Conservation Grant Fund #495.
Mrs. South - yea; Mr. Young - yea; Mr. Kilburn - nay
- 10-1527 A resolution was adopted to approve Flood Damage Reduction Regulations effective December 18, 2010. Vote: Unanimous

DISCUSSIONS

On motion, upon unanimous call of the roll, the Board accepted and approved the consent agenda.

Bill Becker, Emergency Services Director, was present along with staff to explain the request for qualifications recommendation relative to the hiring of a consultant to create a County-wide Special Needs Plan.

Mr. Becker explained that the funding for this project is from the 2008 Homeland Security Grant that included 75% of the funds to purchase new radio equipment and 25% for planning. He stated that the creation of this plan is the 25% planning requirement.

Mr. Becker stated that the request for qualifications is for a consulting engineer to create a data base of disabled/special needs people within the County and to write a plan to address their needs during times of disaster.

Commissioner Kilburn stated he does not support hiring a consultant to create this data base and plan. He stated his opinion that it should be done in-house and not paid for through a federal grant.

Commissioners South and Young stated their support of the project.

Commissioner Young then stated the high importance that this plan is not created and then placed on a shelf. He stated his support is contingent upon the plan remaining up to date by staff so that if and when it is ever needed, it will be a usable document.

Mr. Becker stated that they have received three statements of qualifications from consultants and he and his staff have reviewed the information. He then stated his recommendation to begin working with Delta Development Group Inc. in order to meet the aggressive time scheduled as required by the grant.

There was discussion relative to the need to interview those submitting qualifications.

Tina Davis, Clerk of Commissioners, informed the Board that the Prosecutor's Office has determined that interviews are not necessary due to this request for qualifications being for consulting services rather than engineering services.

Upon further discussion, the Board resolved (Resolution #10-1524) to begin negotiations with Delta Development Group Inc. relative to the creation of a County-wide Special Needs Plan with Mr. Kilburn voting nay.

Suzanne Mason, Solid Waste Management District Program Manager, was present along with Betty Davis, City of Mason representative on the Solid Waste Management Board, and Bill and Betty Eskew, Consultants for the District.

Mrs. Mason stated that they have submitted their five year updated Solid Waste Management Plan to the Ohio EPA for approval and it was not approved. She stated that the EPA did not approve the portion of the plan relative to recycling. She stated that a waste hauler inadvertently terminated curbside recycling for a two week period and, therefore, the plan is considered voluntary recycling rather than mandatory. She stated EPA's concern that the agreements entered into between the County and the waste haulers are not enforceable.

Mrs. Mason then reviewed the proposed modified plan which includes a back up provision stating that, in the event that a waste hauler discontinues curbside recycling, the County will place recycling bids at various locations within the area that no longer has curbside recycling for a time frame not to exceed two years. She then stated that the County or Township would begin the process of contracting a single hauler for designated areas that includes mandatory recycling.

Mrs. Davis presented to the Board a historical overview of the Solid Waste Management District and then stated that the City of Mason is in agreement to the proposed plan.

Upon further discussion, on motion, upon unanimous call of the roll, the Board stated their preliminary approval of the updated Solid Waste Management Plan.

PUBLIC HEARING #2

CONTINUATION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER
ADOPTION OF FLOOD DAMAGE REDUCTION REGULATIONS FOR THE
UNINCORPORATED AREAS WITHIN WARREN COUNTY

The continuation of the public hearing to consider adoption of Flood Damage Reduction Regulations for the unincorporated areas within Warren County was convened this 14th day of October 2010, at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.

Commissioner Young stated that the Commissioners' Office staff mailed over 3000 postcards providing notice of today's public hearing to the property owners within the areas determined by the Federal Emergency Management Agency to be within the Flood Plain. He stated that even though the Board has no control over what areas are determined to be within the flood plain, this Board felt the need for property owners to be informed of things that affect their property.

Jerry Spurling, Chief Building Official and Flood Plain Administrator, stated the purpose of the proposed regulations and reviewed the differences between the old regulations and replacement regulations being considered for adoption.

Mr. Spurling stated to those present that the Board of Commissioners have no say in determining whose property are located within the Flood Plain. He stated that the Federal Emergency Management Agency makes that determination every ten years and the Board of Commissioners have the ability to adopt regulations which allow property owners within the flood plain to construct improvements under certain conditions. He also stated that, with the adoption of these regulations, property owners within the Flood Plain area have the ability to purchase flood insurance.

Upon further discussion, the Board resolved (Resolution #10-1527) to adopt the Flood Damage Reduction Regulations effective December 18, 2010.

There were numerous residents in attendance with questions and concerns and Mr. Spurling reviewed the following frequently asked questions:

- ***Why is FEMA remapping Warren County?***

FEMA, upon their initiation, remaps flood areas at their discretion. They do this every 10 years or so in an attempt to make the maps more accurate.

- ***Are the Commissioners going to vote on the NEW flood maps?***

No, FEMA is a Federal agency and the Commissioners have no authority to accept or reject remapping.

- ***Why are we here tonight?***

ODNR also changed a few details and reformatted our existing Flood Damage Regulations so now each County has to re-adopt them. These regulations only affect people who want to build or develop with in the 100 year flood zone.

- ***Can I see the flood map for my property?***

The best way is to email me, (my email address is on the post card), with the 6-7 digit number that is over your address also on the post card and I can email you a map. If there are people here that do not have email, they are going to have to call me and set an appointment to view the map. It takes around 10 minutes to find your map and answer any additional questions. So I can help about 6 people per hour.

- ***If the NEW flood maps become affective December 17th why am I just now hearing about it?***

Under the direction of FEMA and ODNR, I put 2 quarter page adds in the local papers last summer advertising an Open House to address any concerns of the general public about the new flood maps. I also had all the maps available along with representatives from FEMA and ODNR present at that time.

- ***Will the NEW flood maps require me to buy flood insurance?***

Maybe, but, you need to contact FEMA or ODNR for direction. A completed Elevation Certificate, which is a FEMA on line form, may show your lender your house is still above the flood elevation. They also have a Grandfather clause you should ask them about.

- ***Can I have my property removed from the NEW flood plain?***

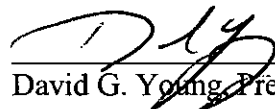
Possibly, there are forms available on the FEMA web site (www.fema.gov).

- ***The NEW map shows my house is now out of the flood plain. Will I still be required to carry flood insurance?***

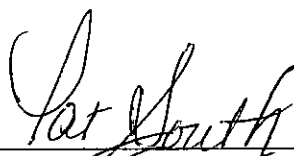
That is a question for your lender. Once again, a completed Elevation Certificate may be all the evidence you need to show your lender.

Mr. Spurling requested that individual property owners send an email or make an appointment to come into the office and he will provide an individual map showing their property and the Flood Plain area as it relates to their home.


Upon motion the meeting was adjourned.



David G. Young, President

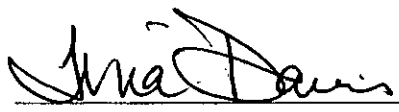


Pat Arnold South



C. Michael Kilburn

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Board of County Commissioners held on October 14, 2010, in compliance with Section 121.22 O.R.C.



Tina Davis, Clerk
Board of County Commissioners
Warren County, Ohio