

THE BOARD OF ATHENS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, met in regular session, with Lenny Eliason presiding, Chris Chmiel and Charlie Adkins in attendance.

AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approve the following agenda:

Athens County Board of County Commissioners

Meeting Agenda for Tuesday, January 09, 2024 Convenes at 9:30 a.m.

Approve Agenda

Approve Minutes for January 2, 2024 and January 8, 2024

Approve Appropriations, Transfers, New Line Items Requests/Changes & Bills

Fund to Fund: Sheriff transfer \$7,614.00 from 001.1180.580100 Transfer Out to 224.2224.422101 Transfer In

Fund to Fund: Sheriff transfer \$123,000.00 from 001.1180.580100 Transfer Out to 229.2229.422101 Transfer In

Fund to Fund: Sheriff transfer \$7,500.00 from 001.1180.580100 Transfer Out to 221.2221.422100 Transfer In

Fund to Fund: Commissioner transfer \$75,000.00 from 001.1194.580300 EMA Transfer Out to 521.2521.422101 EMA Transfer In

Fund to Fund: Commissioner transfer \$52,629.84 from 001.1194.580510 CL-CH Bond to 017.2017.422101 Co Bld Bnd Transfer In

Fund to Fund: Commissioner transfer \$100,000.00 from 001.1194.560120 Co Planner to 501.2501.422101 Co Planner Transfers In

9:30 Joe Sokol - Palmer Energy

9:45 DJFS Dir Jean Demosky - weekly updates

9:50 911 Director Teresa Fouts-Imler - Addendum to Radio Tower Site Lease Agreement

10:00 Planner Laura Olbers - updated plan set for bikeway extension

10:15 Planner Laura Olbers - Johnson Road

10:30 W&S Supt Rich Kasler - weekly updates

10:45 ACEMS Chief Amber Pyle - Hiring Nelsonville Captain Position

11:00 York Twp Fire Chief Scott McManus

11:15 HAPCAP - Nate Simons- Bid Openings for Waterloo

11:30 LUNCH

~Agenda Items

Amended Certificate

W&S Extensions (ratify signatures)

WBD Board Appointments

DJFS Grae-Con Construction Contract

Rising Sun Senior Levy Request

Public Defender Addendum

Startec Yearly Agreement

EMA Transfer

County Planner Transfer

911 Generators

Cyber Insurance MFA

Engineer - 2024 Force Account Resolution

Planner Surplus

Vinton County 2023 Weights and Measures Contract

Meigs County 2024 Weights & Measures Contract

Adopt 2024 Permanent Budget for General fund and Outside accounts

CASA Program Expansion Agreement for Hocking County

Autoagent ipayments for the Treasurer

Acknowledge Receipt of Prosecutor FOJ 2023 Fund

Otis SVC & Repair Order

DJFS Labor Relations Letter

~TRAVEL

Jean Demosky, DJFS- 1/28-1/30/24- OHPELRA Conference- Columbus, Ohio

Jean Demosky, DJFS- 2/7-2/8/24- OJFSDA Executive Board Mtg Conference- Columbus, Ohio

Jean Demosky, DJFS- 2/21/24 and 4/17/24 and 6/18/24 and 7/17/24 and 8/21/24 and 10/16/24 and 11/20/24 OJFSDA District Board Mtg - Jackson Ohio

Lenny Eliason, Commissioner-2/9/24-2/13/24- NACo - Washington DC

Recess Meeting until 6:00 pm for New Marshfield Sewer Meeting @ New Marshfield Senior Center

ADJOURNMENT

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Appropriations, Transfers, New Line Items Requests/Changes & Bills

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins approving the Appropriations, Transfers, New Line Items Requests/Changes including the following transfers:

Fund to Fund: Sheriff transfer \$7,614.00 from 001.1180.580100 Transfer Out to 224.2224.422101 Transfer In

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Minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins approving the minutes from January 2 & January 8.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Palmer Conservation Joe Sokol

Joe Sokol stated that after speaking with Eric Booher from Palmer Conservation and Maintenance Supervisor Jeff Gabriel that from a legal stand point the HVAC needs to go back out for Re-Bid because it didn't fall within the 20% range of the bid estimate. Joe Sokol suggested to make a base bid for Courthouse and/or Annex to stay within the budget for the 3 million. Commissioner Adkins wants to make sure that we address all the safety issues with our equipment, plus take care of anything that could cause damage to the buildings, such as water leaks. Palmer Conservation is to work with Jeff Gabriel on the recommendations on what needs to be done first. Palmer Conservation Joe Sokol stated that he will create a Capital Improvements Plan at No Additional Cost to the County, for continued upgrades and maintenance.

DJFS Dir Jean Demosky - Weekly Updates

DJFS Dir Jean Demosky provided the following weekly updates:

Program Updates

Healthy Aging Grant 2024

TOTAL FUNDING = \$458,236.87

Athens City-County Health Department = \$80,000 from the Creative Funds portion of the award.

\$75,000 allocated for five (5) \$15,000 mini grants available to community nonprofits providing senior programming and services for special projects.

\$5,000 allocated for two (2) events.

kickoff event

highlight of successes event

Rising Suns Pharmacy = \$25,000 from the Creative Funds portion of the award.

Total amount allocated for operating costs associated with serving the Over-60 community. (See program description attached)

ACDJFS = \$307,431.18 Subtotal (See descriptions below)

\$91,651.37 Housing Assistance portion.

Senior Emergency Assistance PRC

Spring/Summer Home Repair Program (Temporary Job Coach/Project Manager utilizing WEP/SEP and Community Service required participants)

Septic Maintenance

\$91,651.37 Food Assistance portion:

Operation Full Belly

Special Food Distribution and Healthy Eating programming at Nelsonville

\$45,825.69 Internet/Digital Literacy portion.

Mobile Career Center Event Programming

Hotspots/Tablets as Requested

\$78,302.75 from the Creative Funds portion of the award

Supplement to Housing Assistance Programming

ACDJFS Willing* = \$45,825.69 Administrative Overhead

JFS has a full-time dedicated Grant Writer position so administering the funds and the required periodic reporting can be our responsibility.

ACDJFS* = \$353,256.87 Total Allocation

Athens County = \$458,256.87 Grand Total

Subject: Healthy Aging Grant Information from JFS - THANK YOU!

Healthy Aging Grants: Athens County Dept, of Job & Family Services Proposal Ideas for Funding

Total Funding for Athens County: \$458,256.87 (Based on 13,526 Individuals/Seniors 60 years and older)

County: Athens

Individuals 60 Years and Older, Below Poverty; Not on Medicaid: 13,526

Percent of Total County Population: 1.19%

Allocation Based on Individuals 60 Years and Older; Below Poverty; Not on Medicaid: \$358,256.87

Base Funding: \$100,000.00

Total Allocation: \$458,256.87

Total County Administrative - \$45,825.69 (10%)

Housing Assistance (ACDJFS) - \$91,651.37 (20%)

Help people stay in their homes.
 Will investigate partnering with HAPCAP for already established services.
 Contract/Hire Temp to do minor home repair and clean-up/possibly coordinate community service activities and/or oversee SEP/WEP workers.
 Access to emergent shelter/utility needs (rent and utility deposits).

Food Assistance (ACDJFS) - \$91,651.37 (20%)

Implement funding through Operation Full Belly
 Focus funds on individuals age 60+ (track age)
 Cost = \$30/bag with no limit on the number of times individuals can receive
 If we cannot use the funds, then we will buy crockpots or other food-related items for distribution.
 Go to more senior events and facilities to distribute/make food available (ACDJFS mobile units, Social Program Coordinators, etc.)
 Work with Health Dept, and United Seniors to have a supply of bags available to give away.

Internet Access & Digital Literacy (ACDJFS) - \$45,825.69 (10%)

Digital literacy classes (Mobile Career Center)
 Buy tablets.
 Access to or enhanced internet services

JFS is willing to administer grant accounting and reporting for Athens County.

Jean Demosky JFS
 Jack Pepper ACHD

Commissioner Chmiel wanted to address some concerns on helping the seniors with home repairs, Ted Linscott said that the state requires that you use contractors that specialize in lead abatement when working in seniors homes that need worked on. Commissioner Chmiel would like to make a proposal to make sure that with the Healthy Aging Grant we use it in the best ways and values. Jack Pepper from Health Dept is concerned that the longer things are drug out the Health Dept will have to pull out of the Healthy Aging Grant because he wouldn't be able to have the time frame to form the appropriate groups to oversee the grant. Commissioner Chmiel did not want to hire someone to help administer the program.

Healthy Aging Grant

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approve the following Healthy Aging Grant items:

- Athens City-County Health Department = \$80,000 from the Creative Funds portion of the award.
 - \$75,000 allocated for five (5) \$15,000 mini grants available to community non-profits providing senior programming and services for special projects.
 - \$5,000 allocated for two (2) events.
 - * Kickoff event
 - * Highlight of successes event

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DJFS = \$91,651.37 Food Assistance Portion.
 Operation Full Belly
 Special Food Distribution and Healthy Eating Programming at Nelsonville

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

UI Updates
 People are desperate and coming from neighboring counties to be seen, 5 of the 16 people were from Athens County. 11 people checked in between 8 am and 9 am. Shawn was able to meet with 8 of them before lunch. We are considering a New Scheduling Tool from UI to help with the situation.

Health & Safety Committee
 Created a Desk version of all DJFS Building requirements of contracts

Google
 Tammy found a google review on DJFS of 3.8 stars

Contracts/Facilities

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approve the following contract with Creative Mobile Interiors, for the OMJ Mobile Unit in the amount of \$61,970.00.

Remove existing seats, with the exception of the driver's seat, and the forward-most passenger side double seat. Includes removing wheelchair tie-downs and factory floor-mounted heater (factory rear AC to stay)

New subfloor with commercial luxury vinyl tile/plank finished floor. Includes entry stepwell Fabricate and install full-height laminated storage closet on driver's side. Closet will have two doors enclosing the area with interior shelves and cargo liner interior finish. The floor of this area may be taken up by CMI-installed electrical items Fabricate and install three laminated counter top workstations, two on driver's side, one on

passenger side. Countertops will have locking flip-down hardware that allows them to be collapsed against the sidewall when not in use

Note: office chairs are not included. Customer can provide and provisions can be made to secure those loose seats for transit Fabricate and install two matching laminated lower cabinets with laminated countertops over the existing wheel wells. Cabinet will have two drawers and two doors - drawers to be lacquer finished, behind cabinet doors to be cargo liner interior finis, Two 32" LED TVs with sound bars, mounted above the two lower cabinets (covering the window area) on an articulating mount/arm. Vehicle power system featuring a 30A shoreline connection (plug-in), battery charging system (with , Group 31 auxiliary battery), transfer switch, and a built-in 2.8KW gas generator system housed underneath the vehicle. Generator will tap into and use the factory gas fuel tank. Includes a full power panel for easy access and safety Note: electric interior conversion items will only work when the vehicle is plugged into a proper shoreline connection, or when generator is running Rooftop AC unit and separate electric heater, powered by generator/shoreline only110V outlets provided throughout, multiple locations White LED strip lighting, with wall switch, dimmable Estimated Conversion cost (not including applicable taxes or shipping charges) \$61,970.00

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

DJFS New Hire Canter

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approve the following new hire as recommended by Dir. Demosky: Angie Canter as an Account Clerk 3 with a pay rate of \$20.39 per hour and a start date of January 29, 2024.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

DJFS Labor Relations Letter

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to send the following Labor Relations Letter to: January 5, 2024

Jay Walther, President
CWA Local 4320
4140 E. Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43213

RE: Labor Relations

We would like to recognize you for your role in moving toward repairing what has been a fractured and stressful relationship between CWA Local 4320 and the Athens County Department of Job and Family Services.

The years between 2020 and early 2023 were volatile and time consuming for both parties. Your actions as President, with the support and assistance of Vice President Rob Odorcic, Steward Yvonne Bartlett working with Director Demosky have turned things around for the Agency in a timely manner is appreciated.

Director Demosky has always been willing to work with the union, and having your fresh eye and commitment to serving the people in need in Athens County has helped greatly. We look forward to a peaceful and productive 2024.

In Closing, we would be remiss by not also acknowledging all the hard-working professional staff at JFS. We appreciate the effort by everyone involved in the agency.

Sincerely,

/s/ Lenny Eliason
/s/ Charlie Adkins
/s/ Chris Chmiel

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

911 Director Teresa Fouts-Imler - Addendum to Radio Tower Site Lease Agreement

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins approving the following Tower Lease Site Agreement with Rodney Wilkes:

Addendum to Radio Tower Site Lease Agreement
Between Rodney Wilkes ("Lessors") and County of Athens ("Lessee")

This Addendum is hereby made and entered into by and between Rodney Wilkes & Donita (hereinafter referred to as "Lessors") and County of Athens (hereinafter referred to as "Lessee") on this 3rd day of November 2020.

WHEREAS, Lessors and Lessee hereby mutually agree to amend the Radio Tower Site Lease Agreement, dated January 1, 2012 (hereinafter referred to as "Lease") for space on the tower and in the shelter building on the parcel of land known as 25' x 25' at Latitude N-39-1 2-9.14 and Longitude W82-03-26.14 on private property at Laurel Lane, Athens, Ohio, as follows:

Paragraph 7 Rental Fee. Lessee agrees to pay Lessors, as rental hereunder, the following: \$1,100.00 (One Thousand and One Hundred Dollars) per year, beginning on January 1, 2021. The parties further agree that the rental fee will increase 1.0% for every five (5) year increment. The parties are free to renegotiate the rental fee at least one hundred and twenty (120) days prior to the end of the five (5) year term.

All other terms and conditions of the Radio Tower Site Lease Agreement dated January 1, 2012. When executed by both Parties, this Addendum is made an integral part of the aforementioned Radio Tower Site Lease Agreement.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

911 Director Teresa Fouts-Imler - MOU for Roll-Over 911 Calls with Hocking County

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approve the following MOU for Roll-Over 911 Calls with Hocking County:

Neither party shall be liable for any costs or damages incurred by the other party as a result of a P5AP outage or other disruption, except to the extent that such costs or damages are caused by the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the other party.

6. Term and Termination

This MOD shall be effective as of the date first written above and shall remain in effect for a period of five (5) years, unless earlier terminated by either party upon ninety (90) days' written notice to the other party. This MOD may be amended at any time by the written agreement of both parties.

7. Entire Agreement

This MOU constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior or contemporaneous communications, representations, or agreements, whether oral or written.

8. Governing Law

This MOU shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this MOU as of the date first written above.

For Athens County:

/s/ Lenny Eliason - Athens County Commissioner

For Hocking County:

/s/ Lanny E. North - Hocking County Sheriff

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Planner Laura Olbers - updated plan set for bikeway extension

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins approving the updated title sheet from 2019 to 2023 for the ATH-Bikeway Extension.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea ; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Planner Laura Olbers - Johnson Rd

Laura Olbers, Planner, Jeff Maiden Engineer and Ted Linscott, Athens Township Trustee

Jeff Maiden, County Engineer, Laura Olbers, Planner and Ted Linscott Athens Township Trustee discussed the submission of the Johnson Road Sidewalk Connector Project. A parking lot and a bike path "spur" connector from the HockHocking Adena Bikeway at Eclipse Company town to the entrance to Athens High School was constructed in 2013. This proposed sidewalk/ trail project will provide pedestrian and bicycle access from the Bike Path parking lot and termination point of the spur path to State Route 682 in The Plains, Ohio. State Route 682 (The Plains Road) runs through the center of The Plains and is the primary collector road that connects the community to the local Library; the Post Office; shopping center businesses; restaurants; the Hocking Valley Bank; and a grocery store. The proposed sidewalk would provide access for residents that live in the assisted living facilities on Johnson Road to the aforementioned facilities along SR 682 in the center of The Plains. The proposed sidewalk will provide safe access for high school students walking to and from the High School into the neighborhoods in The Plains. This sidewalk will provide a safe route for cyclists and pedestrians from The Plains to access the HockHocking Adena Bikeway, which in turn provides access to the City of Athens, Hocking College, and the City of Nelsonville.

Ted Linscott, Athens Township Trustee, discussed how important this project is for the Athens City School, the new Hopewell facility and the township. Athens township trustees understand how important this project is and are willing to help financially. Ted will also reach out to the Athens City Schools and Hopewell for a contribution toward the project.

The Commissioners explained the cuts the county budget took and we would not be able to contribute financially, but we realize how important this project is.

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approve the submission by County Engineer Jeff Maiden, for the Letter of Interest 2023-2024 for Johnson Road Sidewalk Connector Project, with other stakeholders for the financial portion.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea ; Mr. Adkins, yea.

W&S Supt Rich Kasler and Gary Silcott - weekly updates

Gary Silcott really nothing new on the Route 50 project, it's moving along. Still waiting on AEP, but Garry believes that it is getting closer, Elliottsville is in the works and should be completed soon. Phase 6-7 is about 63% construction complete of 49% contract time. Commissioner Chmiel asked what the contingency is at, Gary Silcott stated about 1.2 million is left and he is trying to spend all the grant money first then pull from the ARPA funds. Commissioner Chmiel was wondering if funds were remaining if the General Fund could be reimbursed the \$150,000 that was transferred to PWS. Gary would keep the Commissioners updated.

ACEMS Chief Amber Pyle - Hiring Nelsonville Captain

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approve the following hiring as recommended by Chief

Pyle:

Robert J. Sochia II as the Nelsonville Station Captain with the pay rate of \$19.50 per hour with a start date of January 12, 2024.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

ACEMS Chief Amber Pyle & Assistant Chief Randy Crossen Jr. - Update SOG 7-41 Uniform, Personal Hygiene

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approve the following update to SOG 7-41 uniform, personal hygiene review date 01.05.2024. A copy of SOG7-41 is available in the County Commissioners Office.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

ACEMS Chief Amber Pyle & Assistant Chief Randy Crossen Jr. - Run Review for 2023

Chief Pyle and Assistant Chief Crossen Jr. presented the Commissioners with the 2023 Run Review:

Disposition	Total
Cancelled (Prior to Arrival at Scene)	267
Cancelled on Scene/No Patient Found	580
Patient Dead on Scene - No Resuscitation Attempted (Without Transport)	78
Patient Dead on Scene - Resuscitation Attempted (Without Transport)	6
Patient Refused Evaluation/Care (Without Transport)	850
Patient Treated, Released (AMA)	482
Patient Treated, Transferred Care to Another EMS Professional/Unit	29
Standby - Public Safety, Fire, or EMS Operational Support Provided 49 Transported Lights/Siren	263
Transported No Lights/Siren	4727
Total Runs	7331

York Twp Fire Chief Scott McManus - Funding for Bay Addition & Generator

York Twp Fire Chief Scott McManus requesting for ARPA funds or ideas on where to get funding for the Bay Addition and Generator. Having the generator will create a warming station for anyone in York Twp that is without power. The Probable Cost Summary from BDTaid in the amount of \$326,010.94. Commissioner Eliason stated that there is a pot of money becoming available in July it's a one time Strategic Community Investment fund for capital projects, also Commissioner Eliason will contact USDA to see if they would be able to help get funding.

HAPCAP - Nate Simons - Bid Opening For Waterloo Twp. - Flood & Drainage Improvements

Bid Opening

Project Name: Waterloo Twp. - Flood and Drainage Improvements

Grant Number: B-F-22-1-AE-1

Date: Tuesday January 9 th, 2024

Time: 11:15 am

Wilson Excavating - Bid Amount of \$44,038.00

Jackson Bros Construction - Bid Amount of \$40,710.00

Swartz Excavating - Bid Amount of \$39,980.00

York Paving - Bid Amount of \$48,866.00

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to acknowledge receipt of the above bids for Waterloo Twp. Flood and Drainage Improvements.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Amended Certificate

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins acknowledging receipt of the Amended Certificates for AHJSWD, A.D.A.M.H.S. (317) Board, Hocking Valley Community Residential Center, Athens City-County Health Department and Athens County, dated January 9, 2023 prepared by Jill Davidson, Athens County Auditor.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

W&S Extensions

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to ratify Commissioner Adkins signature to authorize the following extensions:

an extension as requested by Misty Carr for monies owed the Athens County Water and Sewer District for water and sewer service, the total amount due is \$163.96 with \$85.38 to be paid by 01/09/2024. If the terms of this agreement are not met, the account will be considered delinquent and service could be shut off.

an extension as requested by Tina Boudinot for monies owed the Athens County Water and Sewer District for water and sewer service, the total amount due is \$98.41 with \$98.41 to be paid by 01/19/2024. If the terms of this agreement are not met, the account will be considered delinquent and service could be shut off.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

WBD Board Appointments

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approve the following WBD Board Appointments:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on July 22, 2014, the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act was signed into federal law; and
WHEREAS, the members of the local workforce development board must be selected by the chief elected officials in each local area.
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Athens County Board of Commissioners hereby reappoints the following to serve on the Area 14 Workforce Development Board for terms commencing on January 1,2024 through December 31,2025.

Medea Loibl, Ohio University, ASPIRE Representative
David Brennan, Brennan Plants

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

DJFS Grae-Con Construction Contract

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approve Commissioner Eliason to sign the Contract for Grae-Con Construction for DJFS Resource Center:

Project Number: 2022011
Project Name: Athens County Job & Family Resource Center
Site Address: 10 W. Washington Street
Nelsonville, Ohio 45764
Athens County
Owner: Athens County Commissioners
Owner's Representative: Lenny Eliason
Address: 15 S. Court Street Athens, Ohio 45701

Contracting Authority: Athens County Commissioners
Project Manager: Jean Demosky
Address: 15 S. Court Street Athens, Ohio 45701

Contractor: Grae-Con Construction, Inc.
Contractor's Principal Contact: Jesse Johnson
Address: 101 Industry Road Marietta, Ohio 45750

Architect/Engineer ("A/E"): RJ Shultz Architecture & Planning
A/E's Principal Contact: Richard Shultz
Address: 41228 Gibson Ridge Rd. Albany, Ohio 45710

2.1 The Owner shall pay the Contractor the Contract Sum for the Contractor's proper, timely, and complete performance of the Contract. The Contract Sum is \$594300.00, subject to Modifications as provided in the Contract Documents. The Contract Sum is comprised of the following:

2.1.1	Base Bid:	\$471,800.00
2.1.2	Alternate #1 - 4 offices:	\$ 50,200.00
2.1.3	Alternate #2 4 offices:	\$ 50,200.00
2.1.4	Alternate #3-2 offices:	\$ 22,100.00

Substantial Completion of all Work 150 calendar days May 2, 2024

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Rising Sun Senior Request

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to authorize Commissioner Eliason to draft an agreement with Rising Sun Pharmacy for medications for seniors. These funds would be paid from the Athens County Senior Levy.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Public Defender Addendum

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approve the signature for the Public Defender Addendum

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Startec Yearly Agreement

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approve the Startec Yearly Agreement in the amount of \$500.00, for the DJFS location 13183 OH-13, Millfield, Ohio.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

EMA Transfer

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approve the EMA Transfer in the amount of \$75,000.00 from 001.1194.580300 EMA Transfer Out to 521.2521.422101 EMA Transfer In.

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County Planner Transfer

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approve the County Planner transfer in the amount of \$100,000.00 from 001.1194.560120 Co Planner to 501.2501.422101 Co Planner Transfers In.

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911 Generators

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approve the following 911 Planned Maintenance Agreements with Trout's Electric, LLC on the following generators:

- Athens Co EMS-Station 51- 2 services per contract (contract date 09/01/2023-08/31/2024) Annual Amount \$695.00
- Athens Co EMS-Station 52- 2 services per contract (contract date 09/01/2023-08/31/2024) Annual Amount \$660.00
- Athens Co EMS-Station 53- 2 services per contract (contract date 09/01/2023-08/31/2024) Annual Amount \$695.00
- Athens Co EMS-Station 54- 2 services per contract (contract date 09/01/2023-08/31/2024) Annual Amount \$695.00
- Athens Co EMS-Station 55- 2 services per contract (contract date 09/01/2023-08/31/2024) Annual Amount \$660.00
- Athens Co Court House- 2 services per contract (contract date 09/01/2023-08/31/2024) Annual Amount \$945.00
- Athens Co Animal Shelter- 2 services per contract (contract date 09/01/2023-08/31/2024) Annual Amount \$795.00
- Athens Co 911-Athens- 2 services per contract (contract date 09/01/2023-08/31/2024) Annual Amount \$600.00
- Athens Co 911-Nelsonville- 2 services per contract (contract date 09/01/2023-08/31/2024) Annual Amount \$600.00
- Athens Co 911-Shade- 2 services per contract (contract date 09/01/2023-08/31/2024) Annual Amount \$600.00
- Athens Co 911-Stewart- 2 services per contract (contract date 09/01/2023-08/31/2024) Annual Amount \$600.00
- Athens Co 911-Coolville- 1 service trip provided 08/2024 Annual Amount \$330.00
- Athens Co 911-Amesville- 1 service trip provided 08/2024 Annual Amount \$300.00
- Athens Co 911-Marion Johnson Rd- 1 service trip provided 08/2024 Annual Amount \$347.50
- Athens Co 911-Glouster- 1 service trip provided 08/2024 Annual Amount \$347.50

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Cyber Insurance MFA

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approve the following Cyber Insurance MFA to take effect January 15, 2024 for all county employees emails. This will help getting the premium grant money through CORSA. Clerk Rockhold will send out an email to all county employees for the steps to move forward with Cyber Insurance MFA.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Engineer - 2024 Force Account Resolution

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approve the following Engineer - 2024 Force Account Resolution.

Athens County Commissioners Athens County, Ohio January 9, 2024
IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ENGINEER TO USE THE "FORCE ACCOUNT"
PURSUANT TO THE OHIO REVISED CODE - SECTION 5543.19; SETTING ALLOCATION OF
REVENUE TO TOWNSHIPS FROM PERMISSIVE TAX REVENUE.

The Board of County Commissioners of Athens County, Ohio, met in regular session on the 9th of January, 2024
Commissioner Chmiel moved the adoption of the following Resolution

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has decided that the health, welfare and safety of the people of Athens County can best and most efficiently be served by the "Force Account" in matters pertaining to maintenance, repair, construction, and reconstruction of Athens County roads, bridges, etc.; and,
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners, Athens County, Ohio, does hereby authorize Jeff Maiden, Athens County Engineer to use the existing county employee forces and proceed by "Force Account", as outlined in Section 5543.19 of the Ohio Revised Code, in the maintenance, repairs, construction of roads, bridges, and culverts in Athens County during the year 2024; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Athens County Commissioners reserve unto themselves the right and authority to make all purchases of material and equipment required in the maintenance, repair, construction of roads, bridges, culverts in Athens County during the year 2024, except that as the Board may from time to time by resolution designate such purchasing authority to Jeff Maiden, County Engineer; and,

WHEREAS, the Ohio Revised Code Section 153.64, 4931 and 4933, provides to the Board of County Commissioners, the authority to control the installation and placement of any public utilities within the dedicated public right-of-ways of all County maintained highways; and,

WHEREAS, the Ohio Revised Code Section 5589 and 5543 provides to the Board of County Commissioners, the authority to control any digging and excavating on or along a County maintained highway and for the placement of a private driveway approach to a County maintained highway; and,

WHEREAS, the Ohio Revised Code Section 4513.34 provides to the Board of County Commissioners, the authority to permit oversize and overweight vehicles using County maintained highways.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Athens County Commissioners does hereby authorize the Athens County Engineer to develop and administer permits for the above described activities within County road right-of-ways and to keep said permits with the permanent road records of Athens County; and,

Commissioner Adkins seconded the Resolution and upon the roll being called, the Vote resulted in the adoption of the Resolution as follows:

Signed this 9 th day of January, 2024
/s/ Lenny Eliason, President
/s/ Charlie Adkins, Commissioner
/s/ Chris Chmiel, Commissioner

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Planner Surplus

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approve the following property description Iceberg plastic desk for surplus to destroy.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Vinton County 2023 Weights and Measures Contract

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to ratify Commissioner Eliason's signature on the Vinton County 2023 Weights and Measures Contract. A copy of the contract is available in the County Commissioners Office.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Meigs County 2024 Weights and Measures Contract

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approve the Meigs County 2024 Weights and Measures Contract. A copy of the contract is available in the County Commissioners Office.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Adopt 2024 Permanent Budget for Outside Accounts

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to adopt the 2024 Permanent Budget for the Outside Accounts.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Adopt 2024 Permanent Budget for General Fund

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to adopt the permanent 2024 Budget with the general fund. To be able to adopt the 2024 budget cuts need to be made, Clerk Rockhold stated that the budget is short by \$304,416.19 discussed some changes which would be going back to DJFS's allocation of \$229,000.00 instead of \$300,000.00 which is a difference of \$71,000.00. Also discussed ORCA \$90,000.00 in the commissioners line item and that still leaves the budget short by \$143,416.19 so that will have to come from the contingency line. With those cuts the adopted budget will include a 3% wage pool for all general fund departments to be retroactive to the first pay in January and also increase the hours for Juvenile Court from 35 hrs. to 40hrs. a week.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

2024 City of Athens Law Director Contract

Commissioner Eliason stepped out for the discussion on City of Athens Law Director Contract.

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approve the City of Athens Law Director contract in the amount of \$79,000.00. Commissioner Chmiel has some concerns with how things are prosecuted through the City and how they're being charged under the state code. Commissioner Adkins is working with the SEORJ to make sure municipal court is charging under the correct code.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason (Absent), yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

CASA Program Expansion Agreement for Hocking County

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approve the CASA Program Expansion Agreement for Hocking County. Clerk Rockhold stated that the state wants Athens County to oversee Hocking County at no additional cost for Athens County, the state will give CASA \$6,000.00 to oversee Hocking County.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Autoagent ipayment for the Treasurer

A motion was made by Commissioner Adkins and seconded by Commissioner Eliason, Commissioner Chmiel is absent, to approve the autoagent Agreement, as recommended by Ric Wasserman, Treasurer, for the implementation, hosting and maintenance of the Online Payment Portal Solution known as "Autoagent iPayments".

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel(Absent), yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Acknowledge Receipt of Prosecutor FOJ 2023 Fund

A motion was made by Commissioner Adkins and seconded by Commissioner Eliason to acknowledge receipt of Prosecutor FOJ 2023 Fund Report.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel(Absent), yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

Otis SVC & Repair Order

A motion was made by Commissioner Adkins and seconded by Commissioner Eliason to approve the Otis SVC & Repair Order in the amount of \$1,950.76, location Athens Co CourtHouse 1 S Court St, Athens, OH.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel(Absent), yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

TRAVEL

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to approving the following travel:

Jean Demosky, DJFS- 1/28-1/30/24- OHPELRA Conference- Columbus, Ohio

Jean Demosky, DJFS- 2/7-2/8/24- OJFSDA Executive Board Mtg Conference- Columbus, Ohio

Jean Demosky, DJFS- 2/21/24 and 4/17/24 and 6/18/24 and 7/17/24 and 8/21/24 and 10/16/24 and 11/20/24 OJFSDA District Board Mtg - Jackson Ohio

Lenny Eliason, Commissioner-2/9/24-2/13/24- NACo - Washington DC

Recess until 01/09/24 at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting reconvened on 01/09/24 at 6:00 p.m. at New Marshfield Senior Center with the 3 Commissioners, Assistant Clerk Pierson, DLZ rep Gary Silcott, ACCHD Patrick McGarry, W&S Supt Kasler and W&S Manager Morris present to discuss the possible New Marshfield Sanitary Sewer System with residents of New Marshfield.

Bills

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins approving the payment of the required County Bills, which are included in the Auditor's Office INVOICE TRACKING REPORT -From: 12/21/2023 to: 01/09/2024 and the bills are hereby the same

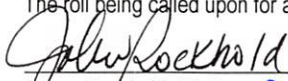
and authorize the County Auditor to issue warrants on the County Treasurer for payment in the same. Complete list of bills maintained in the Auditor's office.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Chmiel and seconded by Commissioner Adkins to adjourn the above meeting after the Public Meeting in New Marshfield for the Sanitary Sewer Project.

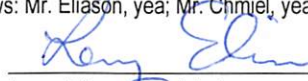
The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea.



Ann Rockhold, Clerk



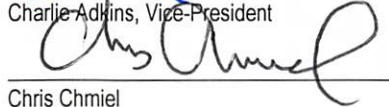
Alison Pierson, Assistant Clerk



Lenny Eliason, President



Charlie Adkins, Vice-President



Chris Chmiel