

**August 9, 2022**

Roll Call: Mr. Haller, Present

Mr. Willis, Present

Mr. Hensler, Present

Motion by Mr. Willis second by Mr. Haller to approve the minutes of August 3, 2022.

Roll Call: Haller, Yes

Willis, Yes

Hensler, Yes

**Ken Reed, consultant for OVRDC**, wanted to introduce himself and discuss the \$500 million Appalachia program (House Bill 377), which very little information is known as of yet. Mr. Reed stated they are still waiting on guidelines regarding the program. The planning money will open up as soon as the guidelines are available and there will be a very short window to submit county projects. Several projects have been mentioned, such as bike trails, workforce development, downtown revitalization. Mr. Reed stated it was his goal to make sure Southern Ohio gets their share and are competitive. Commissioner Hensler stated that all three commissioners were at the planning meeting and are just waiting on guidance. Mr. Reed stressed that the county/community needs to think big, as this is a once in a generational funding opportunity.

The Commissioners presented **Mayor Randy Evans**, on behalf of the City of Jackson, a check for \$800,000.00, (out of ARPA funding), in support for the Mill Street Area Project, which includes the existing sewer replacement and the waterline upgrade. Mayor Evans stated he has always received tremendous support from the county commissioners and the county auditor and appreciates the working relationship between the city and the county.

**Resolution 171-22**

Motion by Mr. Willis second by Mr. Haller to approve the recommendation of ARPA funding for Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) regarding Reimbursement for Government Services Expenses to the General Fund.

Roll Call: Haller, Yes

Willis, Yes

Hensler, Yes

**Resolution 172-22**

Motion by Mr. Willis second by Mr. Haller to approve the recommendation of ARPA funding for Thirty-Three Thousand Dollars (\$33,000.00) regarding the Oak Hill Food Pantry Improvement Project, which will include the roof, electric and ceiling.

Roll Call: Haller, Yes

Willis, Yes

Hensler, Yes

**Resolution 173-22**

Motion by Mr. Willis second by Mr. Haller to approve the recommendation of ARPA funding for Fifty-Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) regarding 911 Contingencies.

Roll Call: Haller, Yes

Willis, Yes

Hensler, Yes

**Additional Appropriation**

To	Description	Amount
332-4402-5305.00	Other Expense	\$ 83,000.00
332-4402-5349.00	Gov't Services Reimb.	\$2,000,000.00

Roll Call: Haller, Yes

Willis, Yes

Hensler, Yes

**Transfer of Appropriations**

From	Description	Amount
332-4402-5349.00	Transfer Out	\$2,000,000.00
To		
101-0007-4012.12	Transfer In	\$2,000,000.00

Roll Call: Haller, Yes

Willis, Yes

Hensler, Yes

**Additional Appropriation**

To	Description	Amount
101-2600-5349.00	Transfer Out	\$1,930,981.25

Roll Call: Haller, Yes

Willis, Yes

Hensler, Yes

**Transfer of Appropriations**

From	Description	Amount
101-2600-5349.00	Transfer Out	\$1,930,981.25
To		
102-0007-4012.00	Transfer In	\$ 150,000.00
104-0007-4012.00	Transfer In	\$ 100,981.25
103-0007-4012.00	Transfer In	\$ 180,000.00
421-0007-4012.00	Transfer In	<u>\$1,500,000.00</u>
	Total:	\$1,930,981.25
Roll Call: Haller, Yes	Willis, Yes	Hensler, Yes

**Additional Appropriation**

To	Description	Amount
101-1200-5301.00	Supplies & Repairs	\$ 150,000.00
Roll Call: Haller, Yes	Willis, Yes	Hensler, Yes

**Additional Appropriation**

To	Description	Amount
101-0400-5102.00	Employee Salaries	\$ 4,030.15
Roll Call: Haller, Yes	Willis, Yes	Hensler, Yes

**Additional Appropriation**

To	Description	Amount
214-4100-5318.00	Contract Services	\$ 1,806.23
Roll Call: Haller, Yes	Willis, Yes	Hensler, Yes

**Additional Appropriation**

To	Description	Amount
101-1700-5102.00	FY21 EMPG	\$ 19,940.00
Roll Call: Haller, Yes	Willis, Yes	Hensler, Yes

**Reduction of Appropriations**

From	Description	Amount
249-1400-5301.00	Supplies	\$ 30,000.00
249-1400-5347.00	Health Insurance	\$ 10,000.00
Roll Call: Haller, Yes	Willis, Yes	Hensler, Yes

**Fund Reimbursement**

From	Description	Amount
710-2100-5946.00	Reimb. Indigent App.	\$ 711.20
To		
101-0007-4959.00	Indigent App. Reimb.	\$ 711.20
Roll Call: Haller, Yes	Willis, Yes	Hensler, Yes

**Auditor Ridgeway** submitted the following reports for the commissioners' review: Certificate of Month End Report, General Fund Revenue & Expense Comparison Reports, Jail Operations Comparisons & the Airport Authority Funds & Balances Report.

**Dog Warden Weekly Report for July 30<sup>th</sup> – August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

Rescued 5  
Owner Surrender 6  
Returned to owner 5  
Adopted 3  
Weekly Total 33

Motion by Mr. Willis second by Mr. Haller to approve the vouchers.

Roll Call: Haller, Yes Willis, Yes Hensler, Yes

**Brian Gara** who works for the nature conservancy and with park districts across the state, (but is only meeting the commissioners as a citizen) is interested in establishing a park district in Jackson County. He stated Ohio Revised Code 1545 addresses park districts, and there is money out there to tap into to establish one in the county. Mr. Gara mentioned the Keystone Furnace as possibly being the first metro park for the county. He said it is a “low cost, low hanging fruit for the county”, which has a functional use and is a huge benefit to the county and the surrounding community. The commissioners felt it definitely deserves more consideration.

**Resolution #174-22**

Motion by Mr. Willis second by Mr. Haller to approve the agreement for the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of 2022 Indigent Defense Services between the Jackson County Commissioners and the City of Wellston.

Roll Call: Haller, Yes Willis, Yes Hensler, Yes

**Resolution #175-22**

Motion by Mr. Willis second by Mr. Haller to approve the Notice to Proceed/Notice of Commencement regarding Southern Ohio Trenching & Excavating and the 2021 CDBG City of Jackson CI Project.

Roll Call: Haller, Yes Willis, Yes Hensler, Yes

**Resolution #176-22**

Motion by Mr. Willis second by Mr. Haller to approve, at the request of Auditor Ridgeway, the establishment of the following new funds per the request of the Jackson County Juvenile Court for grants awarded through the Department of Youth Services: Fund 338 – Sort Center and Fund 339 – Prosocial Programs.

Roll Call: Haller, Yes Willis, Yes Hensler, Yes

**Resolution #177-22**

Motion by Mr. Willis second by Mr. Haller to accept the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor.

Roll Call: Haller, Yes Willis, Yes Hensler, Yes

Motion by Mr. Haller second by Mr. Willis to go into recess until the 10:00 a.m. appointment.

Roll Call: Haller, Yes Willis, Yes Hensler, Yes

Back in session at 9:55 a.m.

Kenny Adams (Custodian), Zach Chandler(Summer helper), Charlie Sickles (Maintenance Supervisor) , Bill Gates(Custodian) , Tommie Harless (Administrative Asst.) and Carla Marcum (Administrator) were present to be recognized for all of their hard work during the Commissioner’s move to their new location. It was handled professionally and smoothly and the commissioners wanted to say “thank you” by providing everyone with lunch at Cardo’s. Although they were not present, Jeremy VanDyne (IT) and Chris Johnson(EMS), were recognized for their contributions also, and did join the group for lunch.

News Media

Phillip Buffington, The Telegram

**ADJOURNMENT**

MR. HENSLER ADJOURNED THE MEETING

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Jon Hensler, President

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Donnie Willis, Vice President

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Paul Haller, Commissioner

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Carla Marcum, Administrator