

May 17, 2023

Roll Call: Mr. Haller, Present

Mr. Hensler, Present

Mr. Willis, Present

Motion by Mr. Haller second by Mr. Hensler to approve the minutes of May 10, 2023.

Roll Call: Hensler, Yes

Haller, Yes

Willis, Yes

Fund Appropriation

To	Description	Amount
202-2900-5358.00	Bridge Consulting Svcs.	\$100,000.00
Roll Call: Hensler, Yes	Haller, Yes	Willis, Yes

Fund Appropriation

To	Description	Amount
202-2800-5318.02	Road OPWC Projects	\$100,000.00
Roll Call: Hensler, Yes	Haller, Yes	Willis, Yes

Additional Appropriation

To	Description	Amount
279-8401-5400.00	Project Expense	\$ 66,350.40
Roll Call: Hensler, Yes	Haller, Yes	Willis, Yes

Certificate of Appropriation

To	Description	Amount
274-8000-5305.00	Special Planning/LEPC	\$ 371.46
Roll Call: Hensler, Yes	Haller, Yes	Willis, Yes

Additional Appropriation

To	Description	Amount
212-9109-5102.00	Employee Salary	\$ 22,568.00
212-9109-5327.00	PERS	\$ 3,261.44
212-9109-5375.00	Medicare/FICA	\$ 337.79
212-9109-5328.00	Worker's Comp.	<u>\$ 698.88</u>
	Total:	\$ 26,866.11
Roll Call: Hensler, Yes	Haller, Yes	Willis, Yes

Modification of Appropriation

From	Description	Amount
101-2100-5329.01	Indigent Defense	\$ 241.75
To		
101-0500-5102.00	Employee Salaries	\$ 220.50
101-0500-5305.00	Other Expense	\$ 21.25
Roll Call: Hensler, Yes	Haller, Yes	Willis, Yes

Dog Warden Weekly Report for May 6th – May 12th, 2023

Owner surrender	-	0
Returned to owner	-	6
Adopted	-	2
Rescued	-	0
Weekly total	-	17
Phone calls logged	-	81

Motion by Haller second by Hensler to approve the vouchers.

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

Resolution 100-23

Motion by Haller second by Hensler to approve Contract for Services between the Jackson County Board of Commissioners and Fishel Downey Albrecht & Riepenhoff LLP, Attorneys, regarding union negotiations representation.

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

Resolution 101-23

Motion by Haller second by Hensler to approve the renewal with Guardian Life Insurance of America for the period of July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024, with “0” increase.

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

EMS Director Chris Johnson, as well as several of his administrative staff were present to discuss EMS Week, which will be observed May 21 – 27, 2023. The entire week will be in celebration of the dedicated EMS employees, as well as their family members, with something special and different each day. Monday – (EMS Education Day), Tuesday – (EMS Safety Day), Wednesday – (EMS Day for Children), Thursday – (Safe a life day) and Friday – (EMS Recognition Day). Supervisor Dustin Coffman became the first tactical medic certified and will work with law enforcement in high risk situations.

Resolution 102-23

Motion by Haller second by Hensler to proclaim the week of May 21 – 27, 2023 as Emergency Medical Services Week, with the theme being “Where Emergency Care Begins”.

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

Resolution 103-23

Motion by Haller second by Hensler to proclaim May 24, 2023 as Emergency Medical Services For Children Day.

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

Dog Warden Jennifer Hughes was present to give updates regarding the dog pound. She stated there were several upcoming events, which includes several “Paws on the Patio”, which is TBD and “WaterWorks” at Manpower Park on June 25th, which is a balloon toss and vendor fair, where she can promote adoptable dogs. Ms. Hughes said they will be present at Dr. Parker’s rabies clinic if anyone would like to purchase tags or microchips. Gina Sims will be offering dog training classes at the dog shelter on June 7th and June 24th. Ms. Hughes also stated that the shelter made around \$3000.00 at the yard sale in April. The dog shelter’s wish list includes epoxy floors, as well as cameras both external and internal and a play area.

Executive Session

Motion by Hensler second by Haller to enter into executive session @ 9:48 a.m. with Auditor Ridgeway for personnel matters.

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

Back in session @ 10:18 a.m. with no action taken.

Ohio Public Defender Joe Medici and Chase Carter, as well as Juvenile Judge Justin Skaggs and Auditor Tiffany Ridgeway were present to discuss Ohio Public Defender matters. Mr. Medici stated this has been one of the most interesting state budgets he has been a part of. CCAO is wanting to add a little more than \$40 million to the overall budget for the next two years in the hopes of pushing the reimbursement rate up as much as they can. There are many scenarios to what will be part of the Senate bill, but nothing definite. Juvenile Judge Justin Skaggs stated that he and his staff have taken extra steps to eliminate the problem that has been an issue for a long time regarding attorney fees not being reimbursed by the state for various reasons, and he personally thanked Tommie Harless for working with he and Suzi in identifying and addressing the issues before hand. Judge Skaggs also requested that the Commissioners increase the attorney “out of court” fees from \$60.00 to \$75.00, to mirror what the in-court fees are. He is hoping this will keep attorneys working in this area instead of going where the money is better. The Commissioners requested some budgetary information to review before making a decision.

Resolution 104-23

Motion by Hensler second by Haller to approve the contract between the Board of Jackson County Commissioners and the Office of the Ohio Public Defender for the provision of public defense services for the term of July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, in which the contracting authority agrees to pay the agency the sum of \$56,368.00 in four equal installments of \$14,092.00.

Roll Call: Hensler, Yes

Haller, Yes

Willis, Yes

News Media Representation

Phillip Buffington, The Telegram

ADJOURNMENT

MR. WILLIS ADJOURNED THE MEETING

Donnie Willis, President

Paul Haller, Vice President

Jon Hensler, Commissioner

Carla Marcum, Administrator