

April 24, 2024

Roll Call: Mr. Willis, Present

Mr. Hensler, Present

Mr. Haller, Present

Motion by Hensler second by Willis to approve the meeting minutes, as presented, of April 17, 2024.

Roll Call: Willis, Yes

Hensler, Yes

Haller, Yes

### Executive Session

Motion by Hensler second by Willis to enter into executive session @ 8:30 a.m., at Mr. Jamie Sexton's request, for matters required to be kept confidential.

Roll Call: Willis, Yes

Hensler, Yes

Haller, Yes

Back in session @ 9:18 a.m. with no action taken.

**City of Jackson Library Director Roger Donaldson and Wellston City Library Director Karen Yablonsky** were present to speak on activities and events being held at the local libraries. Mr. Donaldson stated their door county was up 13.5% from 2022 (39,466), offering programming/outreach through teen, family, adult & children's programs, as well as van & school visits. Mr. Donaldson is proud of the outreach they are able to provide with the van they purchased through the ARPA program. They did 118 visits to the local nursing homes, taking a petting zoo to them, which they really enjoy. The Jackson City library also offers covid tests for convenience. Also, Mr. Donaldson stated they will be doing a partnership with Cosi, through a grant, which offers great activities for kids and adults alike.

Ms. Yablonsky stated the City of Wellston library has 10,807 registered patrons, with a variety of programs offered, including story time, lego & art club, with 1843 children and teens participating in the Summer Reading Program. 302 adults attended programs such as basket weaving, stained glass design, bracelet making, etc, with 251 total programs offered.

Oak Hill Library Director Peggy Johnson was unable to attend the meeting, but did send updates and stated their library was awarded an LSTA grant from the State Library of Ohio to be used towards the summer Reading Program for 2024, the Barker Farms large & small animal shows, Mark Wood fun show and The Ohio Wildlife Center, as well as to purchase crafts materials to support the Summer Reading theme called "Adventures Begin at Your Library".

### Resolution 82-24

Motion by Hensler second by Willis to proclaim National Library Week (April 7-13, 2024), with this year's theme being "Ready, Set, Library!", and encourage all residents to visit and support their local library throughout the year and celebrate the adventures and opportunities they unlock for us every day.

Roll Call: Willis, Yes

Hensler, Yes

Haller, Yes

**CDC Senior Planner Whitaker Wright** was present to open the one bid turned in regarding the 2023 CDBG County Engineer's Bridge Project. Scioto Valley Precast submitted a proposal of \$77,705.00, as well as all the proper paperwork. This is under the estimate of \$79,000.00, and since this is a re-bid, Mr. Wright is confident to award.

### Resolution 83-24

Motion by Hensler second by Willis to award the 2023 County Engineer Bridge Project, contingent upon the Engineer's & Mr. Wright's final review of all paperwork, to Scioto Valley Precast, in the amount of \$77,705.00

Roll Call: Willis, Yes

Hensler, Yes

Haller, Yes

**CDC Senior Planner Whitaker, along with Wellston Service Director Stacy Camp & Jackson Service Dave Swackhammer** discussed applying for the CHIP (Community Housing Improvement Program) again this year. Mr. Wright showed the history of the CHIP program since 2003 on a spreadsheet. Home repairs & rehabs have almost tripled in cost since 2018-2020 and 2022 to date. Mr. Wright proposes they just ask for the maximum per unit. The budget has stayed consistent over the last few years. The backlog right now is approximately 30 people, which is on a "first come, first serve basis".

Regarding the Ohio Lead Free Program, which the county did not participate in last year upon advisement, because of stipulations. Mr. Wright feels that 2024 is the right time to apply for this program since they have refined it.

Motion by Haller second by Hensler to approve the vouchers.

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

**Auditor Ridgeway** submitted the amended official certificate (Amendment #4) of estimated resources for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2024 as revised by the Budget Commission for the Commissioner's review.

**Dog Warden Weekly Report April 13<sup>th</sup> – April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

Picked up	7
Brought in	4
Owner Surrender	0
Returned to Owner	3
Adopted	0
Rescued	7
Weekly Total	30
Calls Received	75

**Resolution 84-24**

Motion by Willis second by Haller authorizing the Engineer's participation in the ODOT Road Salt contracts awarded in 2024.

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

**Resolution 85-24**

Motion by Hensler second by Willis to approve the Corporate Connect agreement with the YMCA for one year, with the annual cost of \$800.00, which allows for membership discounts for county employees.

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

**Resolution 86-24**

Motion by Hensler second by Willis to approve, upon the recommendation JFS Director Tammy Osborne-Smith, the amendment to Jackson County vendor purchase of service contract with Jackson Transportation, LLC.

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

**Resolution 87-24**

Motion by Hensler second by Willis to approve the Jackson County Agricultural Society Certificate of Compliance which entitles them to \$1600.00 in financial aid per ORC 1711.01(G).

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

**Resolution 88-24**

Motion by Hensler second by Willis to recognize OVRDC Director John Hemmings' (who is retiring) impact on economic development for Jackson County and the OVRDC Region.

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

News Media Representation:

Alex Shope, The Telegram

**ADJOURNMENT**

MR. HALLER ADJOURNED THE MEETING

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Paul Haller, President

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Donnie Willis, Commissioner

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Jon Hensler, Vice President

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Carla Marcum, Administrator