

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF COLUMBIANA COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN THEIR OFFICE IN THE COURTHOUSE, LISBON, OHIO ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 2020 AT 9:00 A.M. THIS MEETING WAS LIVESTREAMED THROUGH THE COLUMBIANA COUNTY EMA FACEBOOK PAGE (DUE TO THE COVID-19).

ROLL CALL: MR. HOPPEL (via teleconference), MR. WEIGLE, MR. HALLECK

ASSISTANT CLERK: CALLIE SOWARDS

PRAYER WAS GIVEN BY: JOHN HERSH (via teleconference)

RE: MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Halleck, seconded by Mr. Hoppel to dispense with the reading of the minutes and the bills of the regular meeting of March 18, 2020 and approve them as written.

VOTE RESULTED:
AYES: HALLECK, HOPPEL, WEIGLE
NAYES: NONE
MOTION CARRIED

RE: TRAVEL

None

RE: THEN & NOW BILLS

Motion by Mr. Halleck seconded by Mr. Hoppel to; approve the Then & Now bills as presented:

TREASURER	PO#493992	F&E PAYMENT PROS	\$2,785.00
COMMISSIONERS	PO#493882	HOME DEPOT CREDIT	\$2,245.29
PROBATE	PO#493956	ATTY. STEPHEN HILL	\$1,127.95
ENGINEER	PO#221020	J.W. MURDOCH & SONS	\$1,096.74

VOTE RESULTED:
AYES: HALLECK, HOPPEL, WEIGLE
NAYES: NONE
MOTION CARRIED

RE: APPROPRIATIONS

Motion by Mr. Halleck, seconded by Mr. Hoppel to; accept the following appropriations:

APPROPRIATE:

N18-N18-E-1010	\$50,000.00
P13-P13-E-0002	\$15,000.00

VOTE RESULTED:
 AYES: HALLECK, HOPPEL, WEIGLE
 NAYES: NONE
 MOTION CARRIED

Commissioner Halleck stated that he appreciated the county citizens for following the guidelines of the federal and state government. So far, we've had 4 cases, which is less than 1% of our county. We wish all those well as they recover.

RE: JOURNALIZE DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY – COVID-19

Motion by Mr. Weigle, seconded by Mr. Halleck to; journalize a Declaration of a State of Emergency for Columbiana County regarding COVID-19.

COLUMBIANA COUNTY
Board of County Commissioners

Jim Hoppel, President
Tim Weigle
Mike Halleck



DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR COLUMBIANA COUNTY

WHEREAS, on this 25th day of March 2020, the life, safety and welfare of the residents of Columbiana County may be at risk due to the infectious respiratory disease identified as the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19); and,

WHEREAS, COVID-19 presents a threat to our community, as individuals in Northeast Ohio have been positively diagnosed with the disease. The danger of serious illness exists, primarily for elderly and the immunocompromised population. Additionally, the collateral effects of the disease present serious financial concerns for businesses; and,

WHEREAS, the event may exceed all locally available public and private resources available to alleviate the effects of this emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Ohio Governor Mike DeWine issued Executive Order 2020-01D, declaring a State of Emergency in Ohio for the COVID-19 pandemic to protect the well-being of Ohioans from the dangerous effects of COVID-19. The Ohio State of Emergency allows state departments and agencies to better coordinate in their response and the County of Columbiana must also engage in that effort; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has determined that it is in the best interest of the County, in consultation with the Columbiana County Health Department and the Columbiana County Emergency Management Agency, to take necessary actions to prevent COVID-19 from spreading;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Columbiana County, Ohio that a State of Emergency exists in Columbiana County. Pursuant to Revised Code 5502.21(F) we declare that an emergency exists related to COVID-19 requiring actions to be taken to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Columbiana County.

This declaration of a State of Emergency shall activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all local and inter-jurisdictional disaster emergency plans that apply to Columbiana County, Ohio, and shall initiate the rendering of aid and assistance as necessary under those plans.

Adopted at a regularly adjourned meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Columbiana County, Ohio, this 25th day of March, 2020.

Jim Hoppel
Via Teleconference

Tim Weigle

Mike Halleck

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Commissioner Halleck pointed out 18 other counties have done this as well to safeguard the ability to receive funds as a result of this crisis. After several conversations the last week or two, we have been assured by our legal minds in Columbus this is not necessary. This is not to induce panic.

Health Commissioner Wes Vins (via teleconference): He wanted to applaud the Commissioner's office in response to taking steps to protect the citizens. This is a very serious situation that is continuing to evolve with additional cases (referring to COVID-19). As we move through the next days and coming weeks, it's reassuring to see the coordinated aspect with county offices, department of health officials, Governor Ginter, as we try to address this, each in our own way, to stay home, of course, to other essential people who continue to work in the county. I want to thank all the health care workers. Commissioner Halleck appreciates Mr. Vins and his staff as well. Mr. Vins stated they are working day and night right now.

VOTE RESULTED:
 AYES: WEIGLE, HALLECK, HOPPEL
 NAYES: NONE
 MOTION CARRIED

RE: PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS – ENGINEER – CATIONIC EMULSIFIED ASPHALT

Motion by Mr. Halleck, seconded by Mr. Hoppel to; grant permission to the County Engineer, Bert Dawson, to advertise for bids on Project Control #247:2020, Cationic Emulsified Asphalt. Advertisement shall be in the Morning Journal on April 1 and April 8, 2020. Bids will be opened on April 15, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners meeting room located at 105 South Market Street, Lisbon, Ohio 44432.

VOTE RESULTED:
AYES: HALLECK, HOPPEL, WEIGLE
NAYES: NONE
MOTION CARRIED

RE: ACCEPT LOW BID – ENGINEER – GUARDRAIL REPLACEMENT, VARIOUS COUNTY ROADS

Motion by Mr. Halleck, seconded by Mr. Hoppel to; accept the low bidder, as recommended by the County Engineer, for the COL VAR GR Phase 3 project for the Base Bid in the amount of \$227,554.50, for Alternate #1 in the amount of \$16,794.00 and for Alternate #2 in the amount of \$37,933.50 for a total \$282,282.00. The low bidder was Shook Company.

VOTE RESULTED:
AYES: HALLECK, HOPPEL, WEIGLE
NAYES: NONE
MOTION CARRIED

RE: ACCEPT LOW BID – CDBG PROJECT #5 CITY OF SALEM STREET IMPROVEMENTS

Motion by Mr. Halleck, seconded by Mr. Hoppel to; accept the low bid for the City of Salem Street Improvements, CDBG Project B-F-18-1A0-1, from R.T. Vernal Paving & Excavating in the amount of \$143,881.20, as recommended by Howells and Baird, Inc.

VOTE RESULTED:
AYES: HALLECK, HOPPEL, WEIGLE
NAYES: NONE
MOTION CARRIED

RE: ESTABLISH NEW FUND T31 FOR RECOVERY OHIO PROGRAM/DRUG TASK FORCE

Motion by Mr. Halleck, seconded by Mr. Hoppel to; establish a new fund T31 for the Recovery Ohio Program for Columbiana County Drug Task Force.

VOTE RESULTED:
AYES: HALLECK, HOPPEL, WEIGLE
NAYES: NONE
MOTION CARRIED

RE: ADOPT RESOLUTION #13-2020, PRC CHANGES

Motion by Mr. Halleck, seconded by Mr. Hoppel to; adopt Resolution #13-2020, approving the changes to the Prevention, Retention, and Contingency (PRC) Plan as described in the summary of changes to be effective March 25th, 2020. Ms. Ketterman presented the changes via teleconference.

VOTE RESULTED:
AYES: HALLECK, HOPPEL, WEIGLE
NAYES: NONE
MOTION CARRIED

Commissioner Weigle stated that the local press was the only one in attendance as others joined via teleconference.

Commissioner Weigle adjourned the meeting.