

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD AN INFORMAL REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, APRIL 9, 2012, WITH COMMISSIONERS EDWIN H. HUMPHREY, ROBERT L. PROUD AND DAVID H. UIBLE IN ATTENDANCE.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE WERE STEPHEN H. RABOLT, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, AND CONNIE TIBBE, CLERMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE. ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES AT THE INFORMAL REGULAR SESSION ARE LISTED ON THE ATTACHED ATTENDANCE SHEET.

LET THE RECORD SHOW THAT THE APRIL 9, 2012 INFORMAL REGULAR SESSION WAS VIDEOTAPED AND IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M. LOCAL TIME. IN ADDITION, THE INFORMAL REGULAR SESSION IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC VIEWING THROUGH THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT WEBSITE AT <http://www.clermontcountyohio.gov/videos-bcc.aspx>.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE PRESENTED FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Issue - Board Appointments

Discussion - Carl Lamping, Building Inspection Department, addressed the Board of Commissioners with regard to his recommendation to appoint Ray Sebastian to serve on the Clermont County Airport Zoning Board of Appeals, Flood Damage Prevention Variance Board and the Water Management and Sediment Control Regulations Variance Appeals Board. Mr. Lamping recommended that Mr. Sebastian be appointed to succeed David Coyle's position on the Boards which expired on 04/06/12.

In addition, Mr. Lamping recommended reappointing Doug Smith to serve his second term of three years on the Clermont County Airport Zoning Board of Appeals, Flood Damage Prevention Variance Board and the Water Management and Sediment Control Regulations Variance Appeals Board, with his new term commencing on April 7, 2012.

Mr. Rabolt indicated that there are a number of other vacancies on other Boards for which the process of acquiring applicants for consideration is currently in progress. The applicants and proposed appointments will be addressed at a later date.

It was noted that Mr. Uible has selected a candidate to serve as his alternate on the Clermont County Planning Commission.

Conclusion/Follow-Up Action Needed - The Board directed the Administration to prepare the appointments/reappointments as discussed to the Clermont County Airport Zoning Board of Appeals, Flood Damage Prevention Variance Board, Water Management and Sediment Control Regulations Variance Appeals Board and the Clermont County Planning Commission for their approval in Regular Session.

2. Issue - 2013 Ohio Airport Grant Program

Discussion - Doug Royer, County Engineer's Office, addressed the Board regarding the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) Fiscal Year 2013 Ohio Airport Grant Program which offers grant funding for obstruction removal and pavement resurfacing projects. Mr. Royer proposed that the Board apply for grant funds to repair and resurface the third and final portion of the runway (the north end) at the Clermont County Airport.

It was noted that grant funding was received in the past to repair and resurface the first two sections of the runway. Mr. Royer indicated that the total project cost is approximately \$170,000, with a 10% local match requirement.

Conclusion/Follow-Up Action Needed - The Board directed the Administration to proceed with the Fiscal Year 2013 Ohio Airport Grant Program application.

3. **Issue - Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Review**

Discussion - Annette Decatur, Department of Community and Economic Development, addressed the Board with regard to a potential amendment to the Fiscal Year 2011 Ohio Department of Development Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program for Clermont County, Ohio. The proposed amendment is for the purpose of diverting grant funds for the 2012 tornado recovery efforts. If the Board chooses to proceed with an amendment, a public hearing is required.

Documentation was provided outlining proposed options for amending the 2011 CDBG Program (attached). An overview of the proposed options was provided which includes delaying certain 2011 CDBG projects for one year. A maximum amendment would include delaying three projects and would generate a total of \$412,900 for tornado victims. A minimal amendment would include the delay of only one project and would generate a total of \$135,000. Each option includes utilizing a total of \$30,000 of Fair Housing funds. A breakdown of what the funds would be utilized for was provide and reviewed including home repairs, private owner rehab, homelessness prevention, and slum and blight.

Other funding options to assist in the tornado recovery efforts were identified including Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) funds and Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) funds.

It was noted that, at this time, a total of fifteen individuals are in needed of funding assistance and that they were each denied Small Business Administration (SBA) funds. It was further noted that there is a list of people who have not been located yet who will more than likely need funding assistance as well.

Commissioner Humphrey indicated that (since the disaster happened a month ago) funding for homelessness prevention is not needed at this time. It was noted that CDBG funding for 2012 is being reduced and that each county may be limited to only four projects next year. Commissioner Uible suggested that the county seek assistance from private companies for the tornado recovery efforts. In addition, the Board requested that the specifics of why the individuals in need of assistance were denied SBA funds be obtained.

Conclusion/Follow-Up Action Needed - The Board directed the Administration to consider the issues identified in today's discussion and prepare a specific recommendation for amending the 2011 CDBG Program for their consideration. Funding for homelessness prevention is not to be included in the proposed amendment. In addition, the specifics of the SBA funding denials is also to be obtained for the Board's review.

Adjournment

Informal Regular Session was adjourned.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO**

**ROBERT L. PROUD, PRESIDENT
EDWIN H. HUMPHREY, VICE PRESIDENT
DAVID H. UIBLE, MEMBER**

STEPHEN H. RABOLT, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

04/18/12
DATE APPROVED