

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD AN INFORMAL REGULAR SESSION ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2013, WITH COMMISSIONERS EDWIN H. HUMPHREY, DAVID H. UIBLE IN ATTENDANCE AND LET THE RECORD SHOW ROBERT L. PROUD WAS NOT IN ATTENDANCE.

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

LET THE RECORD SHOW THAT THE MAY 1, 2013 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-worksession.aspx>.

THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE PRESENTED FOR DISCUSSION:

- 1. Issue - Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities
Sharon Woodrow, Superintendent and David Sininger, Director of Business Operations were in attendance**

Discussion - Ms. Woodrow discussed that the Board of Developmental Disabilities (CCDD) has a 5 year operating levy that will be expiring at the end of 2013. Ms. Woodrow would like the Board's consideration to place a renewal levy on the ballot this November. This levy is equal to about 3M – without a renewal services would be greatly cut.

The current operating levy passed in 2003, CCDD is currently servicing 50% more individuals now than when the last renewal plan was done in 2008. Ms. Woodrow stated that most people, who qualify for assistance, qualify for lifetime assistance. There is currently a waiting list in some areas for services, and if the renewal levy does not pass in 2013 not only will some services need to be reduced as a direct result of the 3M budget cut but it would also ensure that no one on those waiting lists would receive services. Ms. Woodrow also noted that CCDD is asking for a renewal at the same rate, homeowners would not see any increase in property taxes and CCDD will be asking for no additional money, simply a renewal of the current operating levy.

Mr. Sininger stated that there are four additional levies' that were passed in the 70's, that provide funding for CCDD. The current continuing levies are as follows:

ORIGINALLY PASSED	MOST RECENT PASSED	TYPE	PERIOD OF TIME	VOTED MILLAGE RATE	PROJECTED REVENUE GENERATED
11/8/1977		OPERATING	CONT.	0.20	272,133
11/6/1979		OPERATING	CONT.	0.40	544,269
11/4/1980		OPERATING	CONT.	1.00	1,914,123
*11/4/2003	11/6/2007 for TY'08	OPERATING	5 YRS	0.75	2,954,369
1976	5/4/2010	REPI OPERATING	CONT.	0.90	<u>3,683,479</u>
				3.25	9,368,373

2012 VALUATIONS		Based on 2012 Valuations
RES/AG	3,093,023,330	Included Homestead and Rollbacks
COMM/OTHER	682,175,450	
PUBLIC UTILITY	<u>317,555,260</u>	
	4,092,754,040	

*This is the levy we are asking be placed on the November ballot for renewal. The above Information was provided by Clermont County Auditor's Office.

Additional discussion was held regarding the increase CCDD is seeing in clients with mental health issues, elderly people who do not have traditional support, as well as children with behavioral issues. Ms. Woodrow noted that throughout the State of Ohio, other DD and Mental Health boards are seeing behavioral issues increasing in children. She further stated that CCDD subsidies from the State have been cut, and that CCDD has been told that the percentage of federal allocations will also go down in the coming year(s).

Some discussion was held in regard to past levy renewals and by what margin they were passed. The last renewal levy only passed by 554 votes, Ms. Woodrow stated that the CCDD felt the economic climate had a lot to do with that and further noted that CCDD is very thankful to the public for the support.

The CCDD Board has tried to increase efficiency over the last ten years and has even conducted a performance audit at the request of and paid for by the Commissioners in 2003. Ms. Woodrow stated that she does refer back to the performance audit on a regular basis. There have been changes to the organizational structure, such as combining positions, in 2004 they eliminated an entire employee classification, their administrative overhead costs are only 6% which is very low, so they are always looking for ways to improve and cut costs.

The Commissioners commended Ms. Woodrow, and the CCDD on the excellent job they do running an efficient and effective organization.

Conclusion/Follow-Up Action Needed –

The Board asked Mr. Rabolt to schedule the CCDD Levy request resolution for regular session.

Adjournment

Informal Regular Session was adjourned.

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

EDWIN H. HUMPHREY, PRESIDENT

DAVID H. UIBLE, VICE PRESIDENT

ABSENT
ROBERT L. PROUD, MEMBER

STEPHEN H. RABOLT, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

05/22/13
DATE APPROVED