

**THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON FEBRUARY 25, 2019 WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: DAVID L. PAINTER, PRESIDENT, EDWIN H. HUMPHREY, VICE PRESIDENT, AND, CLAIRE B. CORCORAN, MEMBER. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER SHORTLY AFTER 10:00 A.M. BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG.**

**LET THE RECORD SHOW THAT THE FEBRUARY 25, 2019 REGULAR SESSION WAS VIDEO RECORDED 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 REGULAR SESSION IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC VIEWING THROUGH THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT WEBSITE AT <https://www.youtube.com/user/clermontcounty/playlists>.**

**IN RE: MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION...APPROVED**

Moved by Mrs. Corcoran, seconded by Mr. Humphrey,

To approve and sign the minutes of the Regular Session of **02/20/2019**.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Mrs. Corcoran, Yes; Mr. Humphrey, Yes; Mr. Painter, Yes.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** Amy Bleser, Program Director, and Kristin Smith-Shrimplin, President and Chief Elected Official (CEO) of Women Helping Women, presented a PowerPoint Presentation (attached) to the Board of County Commissioners entitled **Domestic Violence Enhanced Response Team (DVERT)**. Ms. Bleser stated that Women Helping Women (WHW) is a nonprofit organization that currently provides services in Hamilton, Butler, Adams and Brown Counties. WHW provides prevention, support and intervention services for domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking survivors. Ms. Bleser stated that the DVERT Program is a Crisis Response Team that is currently offered through WHW in the City of Cincinnati within Hamilton County. The DVERT Program was launched a year ago to provide survivors on-scene support. The objectives of the program is to provide survivors with better access to resources, provide support to survivors, assist with participation in the legal system and make survivors feel safe.

Specifics of the DVERT Program including operating procedures, collaboration with the Cincinnati Police Department, creation of Safety Plans, follow-up actions, 2018 statistics and funding sources were identified and discussed as outlined in the PowerPoint Presentation provided.

Ms. Smith-Shrimplin stated that DVERT is currently funded with Victim of Crimes Act (VOCA) Funds through the Ohio Attorney General's Office. The DVERT Pilot Program began last February and the program data and outcomes have proven successful (with DVERT responding to 959 survivors during the Pilot Program). She further stated that WHW has requested renewed funding from the Ohio Attorney General's Office for all of their programs, with a specific focus on the DVERT Program, and the request was approved (for nearly double the original funding amount). Ms. Smith-Shrimplin stated that the additional funding will assist WHW in meeting the demand for the DVERT Services.

Ms. Smith-Shrimplin stated that the DVERT Program, along with the necessary collaboration with law enforcement, has proven to be successful for the implementation of the program.

Going forward, it is their intent to expand the DVERT Program. WHW is currently working on a Grant Application through the Department of Justice (DOJ) to receive federal funds through the Office on Violence Against Women for Fiscal Year 2019. In addition, WHW plans to petition for additional funding from VOCA in June 2019 in an effort to expand the DVERT Program. Ms. Smith-Shrimplin stated that, if funding is approved, WHW's intent is to expand the program to Clermont County, focusing on Union Township.

Thomas Eigel, County Administrator, questioned if WHW needs a Letter of Certification signed by the Board of County Commissioners in order for any of the DOJ federal funding (if received) to flow to Clermont County. Ms. Smith-Shrimplin explained that in order for the DVERT Program to serve more than one County, it requires a Letter of Certification from both the Board of County Commissioners, as well as, the Governor. She further stated that WHW reached out to the Governor's Office approximately two weeks ago regarding the needed Letter of Certification. However, despite numerous follow-up contacts, they have not received the required Letter of Certification. In retrospect, Ms. Smith-Shrimplin stated that she feels the two week turnaround was insufficient and did not allow enough time for the Governor's Office to respond. Therefore, WHW will not be applying for funds to serve multiple Counties as they had anticipated and the Letter of Certification from the Clermont County Board of Commissioners is not needed for the DOJ Grant Application. Ms. Smith-Shrimplin further stated that WHW will be advocating for a multi-County program in the upcoming VOCA Grant Application in June 2019.

Commissioner Painter questioned how the request for the Letter of Certification was submitted to the Governor's Office. Ms. Smith-Shrimplin stated that the request was given to the Director of the Victims of Crime Act from the Ohio Attorney General's Office who personally delivered it to the Governor's Cabinet approximately two weeks ago. Ms. Smith-Shrimplin stated that she repetitively followed-up on the request but was unsuccessful in obtaining the Letter of Certification. She further reiterated that she feels that a two week turnaround was not enough time for the request and that she believes that Governor DeWine does, in fact, support the DVERT Program. In one year alone, the program has received over \$955,000 in VOCA funding, for which Governor DeWine and the Attorney General's Office has supported. Commissioner Painter asked what the final deadline to receive the Letter of Certification from the Governor's Office is and Ms. Smith-Shrimplin stated that WHW has to submit their Grant Application today. She further stated that, according to the Attorney General's Office, the Letter of Certification will not be received today.

The Board of County Commissioners thanked the representatives of WHW for their presentation. (19-0226-001)

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** COMMISSIONER PAINTER STATED THAT THE BOARD HAD REACHED THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SECTION OF THE AGENDA. HE INQUIRED IF THERE WAS ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE THAT WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. NO ONE REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** COMMISSIONER PAINTER STATED THAT A CONSENT AGENDA HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND REQUESTED WHETHER ANY BOARD MEMBER WANTED ANY ITEMS REMOVED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION AND UPON HEARING NONE:

Moved by Mr. Humphrey, seconded by Mrs. Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners consider the following recommendations:

**1. IN RE: TRAINING AND TRAVEL REQUESTS...REIMBURSEMENT OF**

**EXPENSES RELATIVE TO SAME...APPROVED**

Recommendation of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to approve the following requests for reimbursement of expenses for training and travel pursuant to the policies and procedures of the Board of County Commissioners and in compliance with the Annual Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2019 and any and all amendments subsequent thereto:

**CLERMONT COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS/DOMESTIC RELATIONS DIVISION**

**Penny Gates** – Two (2) days – Columbus, Ohio – Ohio Judicial College New Magistrate's Orientation – Total estimated expenses not to exceed \$0.00.

**Michael Finney and Penny Gates** – Three (3) days – Dayton, Ohio – Ohio Association of Magistrates 2019 Spring Conference – Total expenses for lodging (\$516.00) and registration (\$450.00) estimated not to exceed \$966.00.

**CLERMONT COUNTY JUVENILE COURT**

**Judge James A. Shriver** – Two (2) days – Columbus, Ohio – 2019 Ohio Judicial Court Technology Conference – Total expenses for lodging (\$117.00), meals (\$61.00) and registration (\$25.00) estimated not to exceed \$203.00.

**COUNTY ENGINEER**

**Craig Risner and Steve Case** – Two (2) days – Columbus, Ohio – Professional Land Surveyors of Ohio, Inc. 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference – Total expenses for lodging (\$373.66) estimated not to exceed \$373.66.

**CLERMONT COUNTY WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT**

**Hannah Lubbers** – Two (2) days – Sharonville, Ohio – 2019 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Ohio Stormwater Conference – Total expenses for mileage (\$40.60) and registration (\$100.00) estimated not to exceed \$140.60.

**DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES**

**Timothy Dick** – Three (3) days – Columbus, Ohio – Supreme Court of Ohio Statewide Report of the Quality Hearing Project and Public Children Services Association of Ohio Executive Membership Meeting – Total expenses for lodging (\$260.00), meals (\$165.00), mileage (\$140.94), registration (\$180.00) and other (\$25.00) estimated not to exceed \$770.94.

**Carin McClanahan and Kevin Haynes** – One (1) day – Cincinnati, Ohio – Ohio Council on Welfare Fraud Annual Training Conference – Total expenses for registration (\$198.00) estimated not to exceed \$198.00.

**Nichole McClure** – Three (3) days – Sugarcreek, Ohio – Eastern Ohio Leadership Conference – Total expenses for lodging (\$250.00) and meals (\$150.00) estimated not to exceed \$400.00.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**Thomas Eigel and Sukie Scheetz** – Three (3) days – Columbus, Ohio – Ohio City/County Management Association (OCMA) 2019 Winter Conference – Total expenses for meals (\$305.00), mileage (\$713.40), registration (\$425.00) and other (\$90.00) estimated not to exceed \$1,533.40.

**2. IN RE: PERSONNEL ACTIONS...APPROVED**

\* THE OFFICIAL RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, RELATIVE TO PERSONNEL ACTIONS IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION UPON REQUEST MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M. LOCAL TIME.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Mr. Humphrey, Aye; Mrs. Corcoran, Yes; Mr. Painter, Yes.

### **NON-CONSENT AGENDA**

**3. IN RE: INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT/THE  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS DIVISION (TTD)...SPECTRUM  
ENTERPRISE SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH CHARTER  
COMMUNICATIONS OPERATING, LLC...19-0124-007...EXECUTED**

Recommendation of Brandon V. Hoepfner, Director, Information Systems Department/The Telecommunications Division, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to authorize David L. Painter, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to execute the Spectrum Enterprise Service Agreement with Charter Communications Operating, LLC, 12405 Powerscourt Drive, St. Louis, Missouri 63131, for the provision of TV Services, Voice Services, Fiber Internet Access Service (FIA) Services, Ethernet Services, Internet Services and Managed WiFi Services for Clermont County Agencies/Departments/Offices as outlined in Attachments A through F, attached thereto and made a part thereof, with said services to be provided upon the receipt and acceptance of Service Orders from the County to Spectrum, with no cost to the County for executing said Spectrum Enterprise Service Agreement, effective upon execution until the expiration or proper termination of the final existing Service Order entered into by said parties, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions as set forth therein.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** Commissioner Humphrey questioned where the services will be provided and Brandon Hoepfner, Director, Information Systems Department/The Telecommunications Division, stated that the services will be for the outlying areas in the County that do not have infrastructure in place to receive internet services, such as the water pump stations.

Moved by Mrs. Corcoran, seconded by Mr. Humphrey, that the Board of County Commissioners consider the afore stated recommendation.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Mrs. Corcoran, Yes; Mr. Humphrey, Aye; Mr. Painter, Yes.

**4. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY JUVENILE COURT...AMENDMENT NUMBER  
12 TO THE MULTI-COUNTY CONTRACT AMONG THE RESPECTIVE  
BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWN AND  
CLERMONT COUNTIES AND THE JUVENILE DIVISIONS OF THE  
COURTS OF COMMON PLEAS OF THE PARTICIPATING COUNTIES  
RELATIVE TO THE CLERMONT/MULTI-COUNTY JUVENILE  
DETENTION CENTER...01-1207-001...EXECUTED**

Moved by Mr. Humphrey, seconded by Mrs. Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners consider the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Gary Bryant, Director of Court Services, Clermont County Juvenile Court, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to execute Amendment Number 12 to the Multi-County Contract by and among the respective Boards of County Commissioners of Brown and Clermont Counties and the Juvenile Divisions of the Courts of Common Pleas of the participating Counties through their respective judges, previously ratified by the Board of Clermont County Commissioners on 12/13/2001 and subsequently amended on 12/19/2007, 08/13/2008, 02/24/2010, 03/09/2011, 03/14/2012, 03/27/2013, 03/12/2014, 03/04/2015,

03/02/2016, 03/13/2017 and 02/21/2018, relative to the operation and management of the Clermont/Multi-County Juvenile Detention Center, which represents the allotment of two (2) beds at the per diem cost of \$95.00 per bed and any admissions of juvenile offender(s) in excess of the guaranteed two (2) beds, based on availability, at a rate of \$101.00 per diem/per bed, effective 03/01/2019 through 02/29/2020, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions set forth therein, with all other terms and conditions of the original Contract and Amendments thereto to remain in full force and effect.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Mr. Humphrey, Aye; Mrs. Corcoran, Yes; Mr. Painter, Yes.

**5. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY JUVENILE COURT...AMENDMENT NUMBER 10 TO THE CONTRACT FOR DETENTION SERVICES WITH ADAMS COUNTY JUVENILE COURT...09-1009-002...EXECUTED**

Moved by Mrs. Corcoran, seconded by Mr. Humphrey, that the Board of County Commissioners consider the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Gary Bryant, Director of Court Services, Clermont County Juvenile Court, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to execute Amendment Number 10 to the Contract for Detention Services by and between the County of Clermont, Ohio, by and through the Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio, and the Judge of the Clermont County Juvenile Court and the County of Adams, Ohio, by and through the Board of County Commissioners of Adams County, Ohio, and the Judge of the Adams County Juvenile Court, previously ratified by the Board of Clermont County Commissioners on 10/12/2009 and subsequently amended on 09/29/2010, 02/23/2011, 03/14/2012, 03/27/2013, 03/12/2014, 03/04/2015, 03/02/2016, 03/29/2017 and 03/21/2018, for the allocation of two beds for juvenile offenders at the Clermont County Juvenile Detention Center at a rate of \$95.00 per diem/per bed and any admissions of juvenile offender(s) in excess of the guaranteed two (2) beds, based on availability, at a rate of \$101.00 per diem/per bed, effective 03/01/2019 through 02/29/2020, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions set forth therein, with all other terms and conditions of the original Contract and Amendments thereto to remain in full force and effect.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** Commissioner Corcoran questioned if next year is a leap year (since the proposed Amendment Number 10 is effective through 02/29/2020) and Gary Bryant, Director of Court Services, Clermont County Juvenile Court, responded yes.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Mrs. Corcoran, Yes; Mr. Humphrey, Aye; Mr. Painter, Yes.

**6. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF THE DISTRICT #10 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LOCAL JURISDICTION OF CLERMONT COUNTY ON THE NATURAL RESOURCES ASSISTANCE COUNCIL (NRAC) IN CONCERT WITH THE CLEAN OHIO PROGRAM AND TO NOMINATE A REPLACEMENT TO FILL THE VACANCY FOR THE UNEXPIRED TERM THEREON PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 164 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE ...17-0209-004...RATIFIED**

Moved by Mr. Humphrey, seconded by Mrs. Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners consider the following recommendation:

Recommendation to accept the resignation of David H. Uible, 2652 State Route 132, New Richmond, Ohio 45157, from the Natural Resources Assistance Council (NRAC) for District #10 as the representative of the Local Jurisdiction of Clermont County in concert with the Clean Ohio Program dated 01/25/2019 and received on 02/04/2019, and, subsequent thereto, to nominate David L. Painter, Clermont County Commissioner, to serve on the Natural Resources Assistance Council for District #10 as the representative of the Local Jurisdiction of Clermont County to fill the vacancy created thereby for the remainder of the three (3) year term expiring on 10/17/2019, pursuant to and in compliance with Section 164.21 (A) of the Ohio Revised Code.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Mr. Humphrey, Aye; Mrs. Corcoran, Yes; Mr. Painter, Abstain.

**7. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...AMENDMENT TO APPENDIX 4.09 OF THE CLERMONT COUNTY PERSONNEL POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL WITH RESPECT TO THE CLERMONT COUNTY CLASSIFICATION PLAN...19-0220-001...APPROVED**

Moved by Mrs. Corcoran, seconded by Mr. Humphrey, that the Board of County Commissioners consider the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Terri Brandenburg, Human Resources Coordinator, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to amend Appendix 4.09 of the Clermont County Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual with respect to the Clermont County Classification Plan *to amend the Pay Range for the Classification Title Facilities Management Director, Class Number 89225 from Pay Range D to Pay Range E, as outlined in Exhibit A, attached thereto and made a part thereof, effective 02/25/2019,* and further to authorize the update of the appropriate internet links and appendices accordingly.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Mrs. Corcoran, Yes; Mr. Humphrey, Aye; Mr. Painter, Yes.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CORCORAN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HUMPHREY, TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 10:31 A.M. PURSUANT TO SECTION 121.22 (G) (1) AND (G) (3) OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE TO (1) CONSIDER THE EMPLOYMENT OR COMPENSATION OF ONE OR MORE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES AND (2) CONFER WITH THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY REGARDING PENDING OR IMMINENT LITIGATION, RESPECTIVELY, WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING THEREON AS FOLLOWS:

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Mrs. Corcoran, Yes; Mr. Humphrey, Aye; Mr. Painter, Yes.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** THE EXECUTIVE SESSION CONCLUDED AND REGULAR SESSION RESUMED AT 11:30 .A.M. WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

**IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...ADDITION OF ONE AGENDA ITEM TO THE REGULAR SESSION OF 02/25/2019...19-0130-009...APPROVED**

Moved by Mr. Humphrey, seconded by Mrs. Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners consider the following recommendation:

Recommendation to add one additional item to the agenda of the Regular Session of 02/25/2019 to include the approval of a Settlement Agreement and Application for Approval of Settlement Agreement for an Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation Claim.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Mr. Humphrey, Aye; Mrs. Corcoran, Yes; Mr. Painter, Yes.

**IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS... SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT RELATIVE TO OHIO BUREAU OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIM NUMBER 14-310065 FOR JAMES PINDELL...19-0225-002...EXECUTED**

Moved by Mrs. Corcoran, seconded by Mr. Humphrey, that the Board of County Commissioners consider the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Terri Brandenburg, HR Coordinator, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to authorize David L. Painter, President of the Board of County Commissioners to execute a Settlement Agreement and Application for Approval of Settlement Agreement (BWC Form C-240) as it relates to the claim of James Pindell, identified in Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation Claim Number 14-310065, relative to an incident occurring on or about February 26, 2014, in order to initiate settlement negotiations between the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation, on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners, and Claimant James Pindell, who is agreeable to settlement of the claim.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** Commissioner Painter stated that he understands that this is the final compensation payment and that this action will close the claim and Terri Brandenburg, HR Coordinator, responded yes.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Mrs. Corcoran, Yes; Mr. Humphrey, Aye; Mr. Painter, Yes.

**IN RE: ADJOURNMENT...RATIFIED**

Moved by Mr. Humphrey, seconded by Mrs. Corcoran,

That the Board of County Commissioners, noting no further business to come before the commission for legislative action, adjourned this Regular Session at 11:33 A.M. until the next regularly scheduled session to be held at a later date.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Mr. Humphrey, Aye; Mrs. Corcoran, Yes; Mr. Painter, Yes.

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

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**DAVID L. PAINTER, PRESIDENT**

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**EDWIN H. HUMPHREY, VICE PRESIDENT**

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**CLAIRE B. CORCORAN, MEMBER**

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**JUDITH KOCICA, CLERK OF THE BOARD**

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**DATE APPROVED**