

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON JANUARY 12, 2022, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: BONNIE J. BATCHLER, PRESIDENT, DAVID L. PAINTER, 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 JANUARY 12, 2022 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 Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran,

To approve the minutes of the **Reorganizational Meeting of 01/10/2022.**

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

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

IN RE: MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION...APPROVED

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Painter,

To approve the minutes of the **Regular Session of 01/10/2022.**

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

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

CONSENT AGENDA

LET THE RECORD SHOW: COMMISSIONER BATCHLER 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 Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendations:

- 1. IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES...TRANSFER OF ALLOCATION FUNDING FROM THE CLERMONT COUNTY PUBLIC ASSISTANCE (PA) FUND TO THE CLERMONT COUNTY FAMILY AND CHILDREN FIRST (FCF) FUND FOR SAME...22-0105-002...RATIFIED**

Recommendation of Timothy Dick, Director, Department of Job and Family Services, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to authorize the **transfer of Allocation**

funding from the Clermont County Public Assistance Fund (PA) to the Clermont County Family and Children First (FCF) Fund, for calendar year 2022, for the FCF operations, and further, to execute the transfer approval form relative thereto, pursuant to and in compliance with 5101:9-6-61 of the Ohio Revised Code and Rule 5101:9-7-29 (Section E) of the Ohio Administrative Code therefore.

2. IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES/CHILDREN'S PROTECTIVE SERVICES DIVISION...AMENDMENT ONE TO THE GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE DAVE THOMAS FOUNDATION FOR ADOPTION RELATIVE TO THE COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE WENDY'S WONDERFUL KIDS PROGRAM FOR THE PROVISION OF FUNDING FOR AN ADOPTION RECRUITER TO MOVE CHILDREN FROM FOSTER CARE INTO PERMANENT ADOPTIVE HOMES FOR SAME...21-0630-004...EXECUTED

Recommendation of Timothy Dick, Director, Department of Job and Family Services, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to execute *Amendment One* to *Grant Agreement* by and between the County of Clermont, Ohio, and the *Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption*, for the County's participation in the Wendy's Wonderful Kids Program for the provision of funding for an Adoption Recruiter to move children from foster care into permanent adoptive homes, effective for the period of 07/01/2021 through 06/30/2022, previously ratified by the Board of County Commissioners on 07/14/2021, to *(1) increase the amount of the Grant Agreement from \$75,000.00 to \$84,900.00, an increase of \$9,900.00, (2) add language relative to Outcome Improvement Plans, and (3) add language regarding travel spending restrictions pursuant to and in compliance with OAC 126-2-02 therefore*, with all other terms and conditions of the original Grant Agreement to remain in full force and effect.

3. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT... MAINTENANCE BONDS AS SURETY FOR THE INSTALLATION OF WATER AND SANITARY SEWER MAIN EXTENSIONS FOR SAME...22-0103-007...EXECUTED

Recommendation of Heath Wilson P.E., Engineer, with the concurrence of Lyle G. Bloom, P.E, Director of Utilities, Clermont County Water Resources Department, to execute *Maintenance Bonds* in the amounts outlined below as surety for the installation of Water and Sanitary Sewer Main Extensions to serve the following subdivision:

Subdivision	Township	Water Bond	Sewer Bond
Estrella Subdivision Phase 5	Batavia	\$9,300.00	\$13,000.00

4. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION TO APPROVE FINANCIAL/BUDGETARY ACTIONS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022...APPROVED

Recommendation of Mary K. Rains, Director, Office of Management and Budget, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to resolve to approve and authorize financial/budgetary actions pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.40 as they relate to changes in the Annual Appropriation (**Resolution Number 187-21**) for Calendar Year 2022, including legal level of control, and/or interfund transactions pursuant to Sections 5705.13 through 5705.14 of the Ohio Revised Code as outlined in the following table(s) and to authorize Linda L. Fraley, County Auditor, to properly record same:

BUDGET TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022

FUND	FROM: ORGANIZATION - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	TO: ORGANIZATION - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
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GENERAL FUND	Building Inspection Department	Building Inspection Department	\$ 1,000.00
	REGULAR SALARY	OVERTIME	
	1000 - 04 - 01 - 122000 - 511200 -	1000 - 04 - 01 - 122000 - 512100 -	

CASH TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022

FROM:	TO:	AMOUNT
FUND - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	FUND - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	
CCADA & MENTAL HEALTH BOARD -	CHILD DAY TREATMENT - DSF	\$ 29,952.00
TRANSFERS OUT TO DEBT SERVICE	OPERATING TRF IN FR SPEC REV	
7100 - 05 - 20 - 871000 - 700400 -	7161 - 00 - 00 - 007161 - 480200 -	
MOTOR VEHICLE AND GAS	OPWC BRANCH HILL GUINEA	\$ 25,000.00
TRANSFERS OUT TO DEBT SERVICE	OPERATING TRF IN FR SPEC REV	
2601 - 03 - 09 - 514000 - 700400 -	3103 - 00 - 00 - 003103 - 480200 -	
MOTOR VEHICLE AND GAS	OPWC MONROE TWP ROADS	\$ 40,000.00
TRANSFERS OUT TO DEBT SERVICE	OPERATING TRF IN FR SPEC REV	
2601 - 03 - 09 - 514000 - 700400 -	3105 - 00 - 00 - 003105 - 480200 -	
MOTOR VEHICLE AND GAS	SLAVEN ROAD OPWC LOAN	\$ 11,513.10
TRANSFERS OUT TO DEBT SERVICE	OPERATING TRF IN FR SPEC REV	
2601 - 03 - 09 - 512000 - 700400 -	3104 - 00 - 00 - 003104 - 480200 -	
GENERAL FUND	SHERIFF POLICING REVOLVING	\$ 446,537.00
TRANSFERS OUT TO SPEC REV	OPERATING TRF IN FROM GEN FUND	
1000 - 04 - 19 - 438000 - 700200 -	2512 - 04 - 19 - 454000 - 480100 -	
GENERAL FUND	NARCOTICS UNIT	\$ 60,000.00
TRANSFERS OUT TO SPEC REV	OPERATING TRF IN FROM GEN FUND	
1000 - 04 - 01 - 053328 - 700200 -	2502 - 04 - 19 - 443000 - 480100 -	
MOTOR VEHICLE AND GAS	OPWC HILL STATION BLUE SKY	\$ 25,065.28
TRANSFERS OUT TO DEBT SERVICE	OPERATING TRF IN FR SPEC REV	
2601 - 03 - 09 - 512000 - 700400 -	3102 - 00 - 00 - 003102 - 480200 -	

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

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

NON-CONSENT AGENDA

5. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION NUMBER 007-22/PAYMENT OF BILLS...APPROVED

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation that the Board of County Commissioners adopt **Resolution Number 007-22** resolving to approve payment to vendors **in the total amount of \$3,593,596.42** as set forth in the BCC Approval Invoice Report for Checks dated **January 12, 2022**, BCC Directed Pre-Paid Invoices Report(s) and/or the Procurement Card Transaction Report as presented by the County Auditor on **01/10/2022**, and further authorizing the County Auditor to issue warrants for same pursuant to Section 319.16 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

6. IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES...MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BY AND BETWEEN THE CLERMONT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES, ACTING IN ITS ROLE AS ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT FOR CLERMONT COUNTY FAMILY AND CHILDREN FIRST, AND THE CLERMONT COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES FOR THE PROVISION

OF LOCAL AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT ACTIVITIES IN CLERMONT COUNTY FOR SAME...22-0106-002...APPROVED

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to authorize Timothy Dick, Director, Department of Job and Family Services, to execute a Memorandum of Understanding by and between the Clermont County Department of Job and Family Services, acting in its role as Administrative Agent for Clermont County Family and Children First, and the Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities, 2040 US Highway 50, Batavia, Ohio 45103, for the provision of local American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) activities in Clermont County during State Fiscal Years (SFYs) 2022 and 2023, for the enhancement of Clermont County's Early Intervention Program, in an amount not to exceed \$12,151.55 for SFY 2022 and \$49,912.05 for SFY 2023, for a total amount not to exceed \$62,063.60, effective for the period of 01/02/2022 through 06/30/2023, pursuant to the terms and conditions specified therein, and contingent upon the issuance and receipt of the purchase order in concert with Requisition Number 00000765-00 dated 12/31/2021 relative thereto.

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

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

7. IN RE: COUNTY SHERIFF...SECOND RENEWAL AND AMENDMENT TO THE HEALTH SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHERN HEALTH PARTNERS, INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF INMATE HEALTH SERVICES AT THE CLERMONT COUNTY JAIL...19-1126-011...EXECUTED

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Robert S. Leahy, County Sheriff, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to execute the Second Renewal and Amendment to the Health Services Agreement with Southern Health Partners, Inc., 2030 Hamilton Place, Suite 140, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37421, previously ratified by the Board of County Commissioners on April 15, 2020 and amended and renewed on January 6, 2021, for the provision of Inmate Health Services at the Clermont County Jail, for an additional one (1) year term, effective 02/01/2022 through 01/31/2023, at the cost of \$1,158,715.08, with all other terms and conditions of the original Agreement and Amendments thereto to remain in full force and effect.

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

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

8. IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER...2021 SUMMARY REPORT OF FORCE ACCOUNT PROJECTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 5543.19 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE...20-1221-011...ACCEPTED

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Jeremy P. Evans, County Engineer, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to accept the 2021 Summary Report of Force Account Projects submitted by the Office of the County Engineer, which authorized the County Engineer to employ labor, purchase materials, and proceed by force account in the maintenance, repair, construction, and reconstruction of roads, bridges, and culverts in Clermont County, Ohio, during Calendar Year 2021, pursuant to Resolution Number 006-21 adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on 01/11/2021 and in compliance with Section 5543.19 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

9. IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER...RESOLUTION NUMBER 008-22 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ENGINEER TO EMPLOY LABOR, PURCHASE MATERIALS AND PROCEED BY FORCE ACCOUNT IN THE MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, CONSTRUCTION OR RECONSTRUCTION OF ROADS, BRIDGES, CULVERTS AND DITCHES IN CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO...21-1222-006...ADOPTED

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Jeremy P. Evans, County Engineer, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to adopt **Resolution Number 008-22** authorizing the County Engineer to employ labor, purchase materials and proceed by force account in the maintenance, repair, construction, or reconstruction of roads, bridges, culverts and ditches in Clermont County, Ohio during Fiscal Year 2022, with the County Engineer to prepare the estimates of cost before proceeding with each project using the force account assessment form developed by the Auditor of State, pursuant to Section 5543.19 of the Ohio Revised Code; prepare the estimates of cost before proceeding with ditch projects, pursuant to Section 6137.05 of the Ohio Revised Code and when a road work estimate is to exceed \$3,000.00 per mile the actual force account cost will be provided to the Board of County Commissioners pursuant to Section 5555.72 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

10. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...DESIGNATION OF STAFF PERSONNEL AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE DOCUMENTATION RELATIVE TO COUNTY OWNED VEHICLE LICENSE PLATES AND TITLES FOR SAME...22-0105-007...RATIFIED

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation to authorize Mary K. Rains, Director, Office of Management and Budget or Wayne Prescott, Fleet Manager, Board of County Commissioners, for and on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners, Clermont County, Ohio, or, in their absence, Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, the authority to execute all documentation relative to requests for all license plates, titles and/or title transfers for County owned vehicles January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022.

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

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

11. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS ...LABORATORY SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MERCY HEALTH-CLERMONT HOSPITAL LLC...22-0105-003...EXECUTED

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Diana Owens, Court Administrator, Clermont County Court of Common Pleas, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to execute a Laboratory Services Agreement by and between the County of Clermont, Ohio, and Mercy Health-Clermont Hospital,

LLC, 3000 Hospital Drive, Batavia, OH 45103, for and on behalf of the Clermont County Court of Common Pleas as the designated implementing agency, for the provision of court ordered laboratory testing services, at the not to exceed rate of \$60.00 per court ordered test, effective for the period of 01/12/2022 through 03/11/2024, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions set forth therein and in concert with directives theretofore received from Mercy Health-Clermont Hospital LLC and contingent upon the release of the required Purchase Order relative thereto.

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

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, explained that he is still in the process of gathering some information in regards to compensation on Item #12 and would ask the Board to consider a motion to table the item once again until the Regular Session of 01/19/2022 where more details can be presented.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER PAINTER AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORCORAN, TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM #12 AT THIS TIME.

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

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

12. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...DISPOSITION OF REAPPOINTMENT OF COUNTY APIARY INSPECTOR FOR THE COUNTY OF CLERMONT, OHIO, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022, TABLED ON 01/10/2022...21-1215-008...TABLED

LET THE RECORD SHOW: COMMISSIONER BATCHLER STATED THAT THE BOARD HAD REACHED THE COUNTY STAFF/ELECTED OFFICIAL DISCUSSION SECTION OF THE AGENDA. SHE INQUIRED IF THERE WAS ANYONE THAT WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, shared that CIC received \$5M for the South Afton Commerce Park, and pursuant to an agreement between the Board of County Commissioners and CIC, they were to repay that money once the sale of that property took place. The remaining piece was sold last year to Nestle Purina and CIC passed a motion last week to transfer the \$5M back to the County. Mr. Bickford shared some statistics in regards to this investment. CIC purchased that land for \$3.28M and the various sales in regards to that property netted \$8.3M. With the investment the County put into the infrastructure totaling approximately \$7M and the net sales of \$8.3M, there will be \$1.3M coming back to the County, showing that particular project as successful with no money lost. Mr. Bickford explained the County Engineer had previously shared with the Board they had a \$2M shortfall in reaching the funding for the Aicholtz Road Roundabout Project and the Board had discussed looking into ways to provide funding so this project can begin. Mr. Bickford explained this is an opportunity to use some of the money gained off the Afton sale and recommended that Board use the money to fund the remaining to \$2M for the project.

Commissioner Painter wanted to clarify that this money goes all the way back to Ivy Point and that is when the investment initially started. This provided an opportunity for economic development in that area. The funding was then used for South Afton and is now being used for transportation improvements. Commissioner Painter explained that money is used over and over and as money is made on those investments it really springboards the opportunity for new projects. Commissioner Batchler added that it will open up State Route 32 more and provide more opportunities for development on the East side.

IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...APPROVAL OF A COMMITMENT FOR FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF UP TO \$2,000,000.00 FOR THE CLERMONT COUNTY TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT IN AND AS IT RELATES TO THE AICHOLTZ ROAD ROUNDABOUT PROJECT IN UNION TOWNSHIP, CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO...22-0112-002...APPROVED

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, to approve the commitment by the Clermont County Board of County Commissioners, for funding in the amount of up to \$2,000,000.00, in and as it relates to the Aicholtz Road Roundabout Project, in Union Township, Clermont County, Ohio with a transfer of funds to the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District from the Planning Development Fund.

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

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, encouraged everyone to get their dog licenses either at the Auditor's Office or online to help fund the animal shelter.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: Commissioner Painter explained that a discussion should be held on the Transportation Improvement District (TID) because they are a viable option for getting large projects done, but there are concerns for funding of TID in the future. Commissioner Painter asked, if the Board agrees, for Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to look into expanding the scope of TID and those who invest in it. Commissioner Painter feels it is time to open that up to other Townships and expanding the board membership because it benefits all roadways and bridges in Clermont County.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CORCORAN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PAINTER, TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 10:19 A.M. PURSUANT TO SECTION 121.22 (G)(1) AND (G)(3) OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE TO 1) CONSIDER THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT OR COMPENSATION OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE OR MORE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES, OR THE INVESTIGATION OF CHARGES OR COMPLAINTS AGAINST A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE; AND 2) CONFER WITH THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY CONCERNING DISPUTES INVOLVING THE PUBLIC BODY THAT ARE THE SUBJECT OF PENDING OR IMMINENT COURT ACTION, RESPECTIVELY.

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

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RETURNED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RESUMED REGULAR SESSION AT 11:02 A.M. WITH NO ACTION TAKEN AND NO DECISIONS MADE.

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

LET THE RECORD SHOW: COMMISSIONER BATCHLER OPENED THE MEETING FOR BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: Commissioner Painter commented on the Beckjord remediation

project, sharing that the Neighbors Opposing Pit Expansion are suing for law violations they feel are occurring. Commissioner Painter explained that Beckjord is near and dear to the Board because there is a well field down there next to that and one of the features in the remediation project is the mechanical wells. Commissioner Painter shared that he just received notification from the National Association of Counties that the federal EPA, through citizen engagement, is taking a look at rules for closed sites, like Beckjord, which may result in new regulations that require the material to be excavated so it doesn't cause pollution to surrounding bodies of water. Commissioner Painter also wanted to bring to everyone's attention the Brent Spence Bridge project that is taking place between the Governor of Ohio and the Governor of Kentucky. They have entered into a bilateral agreement that allows them to apply for \$900M to build the bridge with the Governor of Kentucky committed to building it without tolls. Commissioner Painter shared the new bridge will go West of the existing bridge, adding eight additional lanes for a total of a sixteen lane capacity which is really exciting for both Kentucky and Ohio.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT...APPROVED

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Painter,

That the Board of County Commissioners, noting no further business to come before the commission for legislative action, adjourned this Regular Session at 11:08 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:

Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

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

BONNIE J. BATCHLER, PRESIDENT

DAVID L. PAINTER, VICE PRESIDENT

CLAIRE B. CORCORAN, MEMBER

HOLLY CRUEY, CLERK OF THE BOARD

01/19/2022
DATE APPROVED