

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON MAY 23, 2022, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: BONNIE J. BATCHLER, PRESIDENT AND DAVID L. PAINTER, VICE PRESIDENT. 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 MAY 23, 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>

LET THE RECORD SHOW: COMMISSIONER BATCHLER ACKNOWLEDGED FOR THE RECORD THAT COMMISSIONER CLAIRE B. CORCORAN, MEMBER, WAS NOT PRESENT AT REGULAR SESSION ON MAY 23, 2022.

IN RE: MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION...APPROVED

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Batchler,

To approve the minutes of Regular Session of **05/18/2022**.

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

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

LET THE RECORD SHOW: Dennis Cooper, Chairman, Washington Township Trustees, gave a Presentation along with a handout (attached) to the Board. Mr. Cooper shared some pictures and gave some brief historical information to the Board in regards to the Township. Mr. Cooper shared that the Township maintains five cemeteries, 4 of which are still active. John McClain's burial site in Neville Cemetery was fully restored to respect his memory.

Mr. Cooper stated that Washington Township is particularly proud of their park and mentioned that it is busy this time of year with graduation and birthday parties and a fishing derby coming up. A memorial service will be held on June 29, 2022 at 6:00pm for Deputy Kirker and his canine Paik. Mr. Cooper shared that Deputy Seng has been his replacement with Washington Township.

Mr. Cooper stated that he is very happy with the Road and Bridge Department and explained that they maintain 26 miles of roadway along with snow removal and repairs. Even with pay raises and new equipment we are continuing to face challenges hiring EMS workers. Washington Township includes two villages, Neville and Moscow. Mr. Cooper explained that a petition is in the works to dissolve Moscow and wanted the Board to be aware that they have a wastewater plant and isn't sure who would assume responsibility if the village should dissolve.

Mr. Cooper began a discussion on the Zimmer Power Station closing and the effect it will have on surrounding communities, Townships and schools. Mr. Cooper shared that New Richmond Local Schools could be forced to pay back \$2.5M in tax revenues and Clermont County could be forced to pay back \$723,000.00. Mr. Cooper shared his idea on opening up new development in Clermont County by making transportation more accessible from State Route 52 and State Route 125 and developing a roadway similar to the AA Highway in Kentucky.

Mr. Cooper expressed his dissatisfaction with the Local Government Fund being cut by 50% and urged the Commissioners to work on getting that money back by talking to State Representatives and taking it to the Governor. Commissioner Batchler shared that she was able to speak with the Lieutenant Governor previously on this matter and gathered that they won't give back what was

taken from the Local Government Fund. Commissioner Painter shared that with inflation at this time, local tax receipts are up and the local government should be better off. Mr. Painter shared that the cut in the local government fund was due to the failing of John Kasich's Senate Bill 5 to do away with State sponsored Unions in Ohio. Commissioner Painter also shared that the County Commissioners Association of Ohio lobby very hard every year to raise the local government fund. The Board thanked Mr. Cooper for coming in and Commissioner Batchler encouraged other Townships to come in as well. (22-0103-002)

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.

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 Batchler, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendations:

- 1. IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES...OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES (ODJFS) TITLE IV-E CHILD PLACEMENT AGREEMENT WITH LIGHTHOUSE YOUTH SERVICES, INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT SERVICES AND YOUTH CRISIS CENTER SERVICES FOR SAME...22-0517-002...APPROVED**

Recommendation of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to authorize Theresa Ellison, Interim Director, Department of Job and Family Services, to execute an *Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) Title IV-E Child Placement Agreement* by and between the County of Clermont, Ohio, and *Lighthouse Youth Services, Inc.*, 401 East McMillan Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45206, *for the provision of residential treatment services and youth crisis center services* for children referred by the Department of Job and Family Services and/or Clermont County Juvenile Court, at the rates as identified therein, effective 07/01/2022 through 06/30/2023, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions specified therein, *and contingent upon the release of the required Purchase Order in concert with Requisition Number 00003046-00 dated 04/29/2022 relative thereto.*

- 2. IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES...MASTER SERVICE AGREEMENT AND STATEMENT OF WORK WITH LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES, INC. FOR INTERPRETER SERVICES FOR SAME...22-0517-003...EXECUTED**

Recommendation of Theresa Ellison, Interim Director, Department of Job and Family Services, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President, Board of County Commissioners, to execute the *Master Service Agreement* and *Statement of Work* by and between the Board of Clermont County Commissioners, on behalf of the Clermont County Department of Job and Family Services, and *Language Line Services, Inc.*, One Lower Ragsdale Road, Bldg. 2, Monterey, California 93940 *for the provision of interpreter services to customers who call in and/or come into the agency and do not speak the English language*, at the rates as defined therein, with an estimated annual cost not to exceed \$15,000.00, effective 06/17/2022 through 06/16/2023, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions specified therein, *and contingent upon the release of the required Purchase Orders*

in concert with Requisition Numbers 00002998-00 dated 04/27/2022 and 00003027-00, 00003029-00 and 00003030-00 dated 04/28/2022, relative thereto.

3. IN RE: REQUEST FROM A DEPARTMENT TO JOIN A PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF ROUTINE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATIVE THERETO...22-0513-006...RATIFIED

Request from a department to join a professional organization and to authorize payment of the annual dues in the amounts outlined below for membership therein, pursuant to Section 325.21 of the Ohio Revised Code and to authorize reimbursement of **routine travel expenses** associated therewith (*excluding expenses for overnight accommodations, meals for more than one day, registration fees, tuition, and/or transportation by common carrier*) pursuant to the policies and procedures of the Board of County Commissioners and in compliance with the Annual Appropriations for Calendar Year 2022 and any and all amendments subsequent thereto:

Department/Employees	Organization	Annual Dues	Term
Board of County Commissioners/ Thomas Eigel Greg Bickford	International City/County Management Association (ICMA)	Not to exceed \$1,400.00	07/01/2022 through 06/30/2023

4. IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES...ELECTRONIC SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL FOR SOFTWARE AND HARDWARE UPDATES AND SUPPORT FOR SAME...22-0128-002...APPROVED

Recommendation of John Kiskaden, Director, Department of Public Safety Services, with the concurrence of Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, to approve the **electronic subscription renewal** for the provision of software and hardware updates and support at the not to exceed estimated rate and the term outlined below and as set forth in the electronic subscription renewal, all of which are on file in the Department of Public Safety Services, and to authorize the County Auditor to remit payment therefore:

Vendor	Software/Hardware	Not to Exceed Estimated Rate	Term
Frontline Public Safety Solutions 2777 Finley Rd. Suite 11 Downers Grove, IL 60515 (revised/previously approved on 02/02/2022)	Quality Assurance / Quality Improvement Evaluation	\$1,732.50	06/24/2022 through 06/24/2023

5. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...TUITION ASSISTANCE APPLICATION FROM A CLERMONT COUNTY EMPLOYEE...22-0519-001...EXECUTED

Recommendation of Yvonne Smith, Benefits Coordinator, with the concurrence of Sandra Tahat, Human Resources Director, to authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to execute the **Tuition Assistance Application** submitted by the following employee for participation in the Clermont County Tuition Assistance Program, pursuant to Section 4.12 of the Clermont County Personnel Policy and Procedures Manual:

Department / Employee	Class Name(s)
Department of Public Safety Services Jessica Wiederhold	Critical Thinking Introduction to Business

6. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...AUTHORIZATION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PROCUREMENT CARDS FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE

CLERMONT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND EXECUTION OF THE REQUEST FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PROCUREMENT CARDS RELATIVE THERETO PURSUANT TO THE CLERMONT COUNTY PROCUREMENT CARD POLICY AND PROCEDURES FOR SAME...22-0103-004...RATIFIED

Recommendation of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to authorize the issuance of Procurement Cards for Jason M. Swallen and Michael J. Ross, employees of the Clermont County Sheriff's Office, and to authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to execute the Requests for the Issuance of Procurement Cards relative thereto, pursuant to and in compliance with the Clermont County Procurement Card Policy and Procedures adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on 06/22/2005 and subsequently amended on 03/28/2007 and 09/24/2014.

7. 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 Calendar Year 2022 and any and all amendments subsequent thereto:

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

Hannah Wahl, Stephanie Ross, Lisa Vetter, Suzanne Bullock and Allyson Ware – (2) days – Columbus, Ohio – Ohio Attorney General's Two Days in May Conference on Victim Assistance – total expenses for lodging (\$1,146.80), meals (\$800.00), registration (\$625.00) and other (\$54.00), estimated not to exceed \$2,625.80.

COUNTY SHERIFF

Robert Adam Bailey – (6) days – Pigeon Forge, Tennessee – Cellebrite – Certified Operator and Certified Physical Analyst Courses – total expenses for lodging (\$1,212.13), meals (\$354.00) and registration (\$3,850.00), estimated not to exceed \$5,416.13.

8. 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:

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

NON-CONSENT AGENDA

9. IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES...AMENDMENT TO APPENDIX 4.09 OF THE CLERMONT COUNTY PERSONNEL POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL WITH RESPECT TO THE CLERMONT COUNTY CLASSIFICATION PLAN...22-0513-005...RATIFIED

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

Recommendation of Sandra Tahat, Human Resources Director, 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 as outlined in Exhibit A, attached thereto and to be made a part thereof, changing the pay ranges of 1) HVAC

Mechanic 3, Class Number 49265, from Pay Range A to Pay Range C, and 2) Facilities Management Assistant Director, Class Number 89224, from Pay Range C to Pay Range D, effective upon approval, 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:

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

10. IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT...ADOPTION OF A REVISED TABLE OF ORGANIZATION FOR SAME...22-0513-004...RATIFIED

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

Recommendation of Michael McNamara, Director, Community and Economic Development, with the concurrence of Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, to adopt a revised Table of Organization for the Department of Community and Economic Development as outlined below and in Exhibit A, attached thereto and made a part thereof, effective upon approval, and further to authorize the update of the appropriate internet links and appendices accordingly.

Classification Title	Class Number	Pay Range	Action
Plans Examiner	79265	C	Add (to be filled as either full-time or part-time)
Construction Inspector	49225	15	Abolish

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

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

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. NO ONE REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: COMMISSIONER BATCHLER OPENED THE MEETING FOR BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND THERE WERE NONE.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT...APPROVED

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Batchler,

That the Board of County Commissioners, noting no further business to come before the commission for legislative action, adjourned this Regular Session at 10:31 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 Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Absent.

**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

05/25/2022
DATE APPROVED