

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON JUNE 13, 2022, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: BONNIE J. BATCHLER, 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 JUNE 13, 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 BONNIE J. BATCHLER ACKNOWLEDGED FOR THE RECORD THAT COMMISSIONER DAVID L. PAINTER, VICE PRESIDENT, WAS NOT PRESENT AT REGULAR SESSION ON JUNE 13, 2022.

IN RE: MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION...APPROVED

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Batchler,

To approve the minutes of Regular Session of **06/08/2022**.

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

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

LET THE RECORD SHOW: Scott O'Reilly, Little Fork Family Advocacy Center, provided a Power Point presentation and update since his last appearance before the Board. Mr. O'Reilly shared that his background as a Clermont County Prosecutor who handled sexual assault cases led him to his vision of the Little Fork Advocacy Center to be a one stop shop for family violence services. It is approximately a 70 mile round trip from Batavia to the Mayerson Center in Cincinnati and Mr. O'Reilly plans to bring these services to Clermont County and several surrounding rural counties. Mercy Clermont Hospital has donated 2,000 square feet of space to the Little Fork Advocacy Center and with the help of donations from the private sector, it is scheduled to open sometime in August. Mr. O'Reilly explained that the space is small and they plan to expand in the next several years by building a new center on land that was donated by Mercy Clermont Hospital. Mr. O'Reilly humbly asked the Board for a donation of \$100,000.00 for the first year and \$75,000.00 for years two through five. Commissioner Batchler asked how much it will cost to build a new center and Mr. O'Reilly stated that they plan to build as cheap and functional as possible with donations from the private sector as well, but will be looking into the several million dollar range. The YWCA plans to build a domestic violence shelter on the property as well and they are looking at \$6M as their cost. Commissioner Batchler asked if the County does donate, will the money go toward operation costs or construction and Mr. O'Reilly stated both, but mainly toward operation. Commissioner Corcoran asked Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, if funding and grants are available and he stated that he will look into those options. Commissioner Corcoran added that she knows how frightening it is for children to travel to the Mayerson Center and commended Mr. O'Reilly for his work. Mr. O'Reilly introduced some of the members of the Little Fork Team present with him as Ross Bushman, Mike Green and Jeff Lykins. Commissioner Batchler showed her admiration for their work on this to make children's lives better. Mr. Green shared that he believes Little Fork Advocacy Center will be changing lives for generations to come. (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.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: Susan Finnegan of 27 Laurelwood, Milford, Ohio 45150 addressed the Board with concerns on the impact of Covid-19 on our lives in the past two years. Ms. Finnegan called the lockdowns and mandates unconstitutional and discussed how that has directly affected businesses as well as children's mental health due to remote learning. Mr. Finnegan shared that initially, vaccines were welcomed, but as more and more research is conducted, they are now seen as a dangerous genetic experiment that was conducted on the public resulting in many deaths. Ms. Finnegan is part of the Ohio Battleground Alliance who would like to communicate ongoing concerns about unlawful intrusions in our lives. Ms. Finnegan asked the Board to look into judiciary efforts to prosecute those responsible such as Bill Gates, Anthony Fauci and Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus for crimes against humanity.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: Beverly Welbourne of 729 East Huntley Road, Goshen, Ohio, addressed the Board in regards to local health management concerns related to Covid-19 vaccines and stated that an article published showed that vaccination increases risk of stroke by 11,000%. Ms. Welbourne also addressed the risk of exposure to the effects of the vaccine simply by being around another person who has been vaccinated. Ms. Welbourne stated that spike proteins from vaccination can remain in the body and peak six to twelve months after injection, therefore making their skin toxic to others. Ms. Welbourne began to discuss Article 1, Section 1 of the Ohio Constitution before being made aware that she had reached her five minute limit. Ms. Welbourne provided her written statement to the Board to be made a part of the record. (Attached)

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 Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Batchler, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendations:

- 1. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY JUVENILE COURT...OHIO DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH SERVICES JUVENILE COURT GRANT AGREEMENT AND FUNDING APPLICATION UPDATE FOR THE RECLAIM OHIO (401/VARIABLE) GRANT SUBSIDY PROGRAM AND THE YOUTH SERVICES (510/BASE) GRANT SUBSIDY PROGRAM FOR STATE FISCAL YEAR 2023...22-0531-003...EXECUTED**

Recommendation of Judge James A. Shriver, Clermont County Juvenile Court, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to execute an Ohio Department of Youth Services Juvenile Court Grant Agreement and Funding Application Update, by and between the Board of Clermont County Commissioners and the State of Ohio, Department of Youth Services, 4545 Fisher Road, Suite D, Columbus, Ohio 43228, on behalf of the Clermont County Juvenile Court, for the Reclaim Ohio (401/Variable) Grant Subsidy Program, in the amount of \$1,125,043.09, and the Youth Services (510/Base) Grant Subsidy Program in the amount of \$283,637.00, which represents the Base and Variable Reclaim Allocations for Fiscal Year 2023 (07/01/2022-06/30/2023), for the biennial period commencing 07/01/2021 and ending 06/30/2023, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions set forth therein.

- 2. IN RE: COUNTY SHERIFF...GRANT APPLICATION THROUGH THE STATE OF OHIO OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES RELATIVE TO THE EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT FOR THE PROJECT ENTITLED CLERMONT COUNTY DRUG UNIT...22-0606-004...ACKNOWLEDGED**

Recommendation of Robert S. Leahy, County Sheriff, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to acknowledge the electronic submittal of a Grant Application on or about June 2, 2022, for funding through the State of Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services, 1970 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43223, relative to the Edward Byrnes Memorial Justice Assistance grant program for the project entitled Clermont County Drug Unit to be implemented by the County Sheriff in the amount of \$138,994.57, with a local cash match required in the amount of \$46,331.53, for a total project budget amount of \$185,326.10, for the period of 01/01/2023 through 12/31/2023, and to authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to act as the sub-grantee therefore, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions set forth therein.

3. IN RE: REQUEST FROM A DEPARTMENT TO JOIN A PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF ROUTINE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATIVE THERETO...RATTIFIED

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/Employee	Organization	Annual Dues	Term
Clermont County Court of Common Pleas Staff Attorney/Magistrate Jennifer Mitchell DC# 22-0607-001	Cincinnati Bar Association	\$325.00	05/01/2022 through 04/30/2023

4. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS... TUITION ASSISTANCE APPLICATION FROM A CLERMONT COUNTY EMPLOYEE...22-0608-001...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 a 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 Names
Prosecuting Attorney/ Suzanne Bullock	Corrections in America Intro to Environmental Studies 1

5. 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:

COUNTY SHERIFF

Crissy Rolph – (1) day – Batavia, Ohio – Online Microsoft Office Training – total expenses for registration (\$95.00), estimated not to exceed \$95.00.

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

NON-CONSENT AGENDA

7. IN RE: COUNTY SHERIFF...SUBGRANT AWARD AGREEMENT FROM THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY/OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES RELATIVE TO THE OHIO DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND GRANT PROGRAM (DLEF) FOR THE PROJECT ENTITLED CLERMONT COUNTY DRUG UNIT FOR SAME...22-0606-001...RATIFIED

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Batchler, 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 authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to execute the Subgrant Award Agreement for Subgrant Number 2021-DL-LEF-5814, by and between the County of Clermont, Ohio, and the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Office of Criminal Justice Services, P.O. Box 182632, 1970 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43218-2632 for funding through the Ohio Drug Law Enforcement Fund (DLEF) for the project entitled Clermont County Drug Unit, in the amount of \$115,739.43, with a required cash match in the amount of \$38,579.81 to be provided from the 2022/2023 Annual Appropriations for the County Sheriff and/or to be provided by the County Sheriff from the Narcotics Law Enforcement Trust Fund 2503, for a total project budget of \$154,319.24, for the period of 07/01/2022 through 06/30/2023, for and on behalf of the County Sheriff of the County of Clermont, Ohio, as the designated agency for the administration and implementation thereof, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions set forth therein and in concert with the Grant Application, as well as the Pre-Award Conditions filed electronically by the County Sheriff on or about 01/06/2022 and 05/25/2022, respectively.

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

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

8. IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES...PROPOSAL FOR SERVICE WITH VERTIV CORPORATION FOR THE SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE OF THE LIEBERT UNINTERRUPTABLE POWER SUPPLY EQUIPMENT LOCATED AT THE COMMUNICATIONS CENTER ...22-0531-005...EXECUTED

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

Recommendation of John F. Kiskaden, Director, Department of Public Safety Services, with the concurrence of Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, to authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to execute the Proposal for Service, between the Board of Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio, and Vertiv Corporation, 1050 Dearborn Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43085, for the Service and Maintenance of the Liebert Uninterruptible Power Supply Equipment located at the Communications Center, effective 07/26/2022 through 07/25/2023, at a rate not to exceed \$11,128.14, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions set forth herein, and contingent upon the release of the required Purchase Order in

concert with Requisition Number 00003402-00 dated 05/25/2022.

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

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

LET THE RECORD SHOW: A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CORCORAN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BATCHLER, TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 10:33 A.M. PURSUANT TO SECTION 121.22 (G) (6) OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE TO DISCUSS DETAILS RELATIVE TO THE SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROTOCOLS FOR A PUBLIC BODY OR PUBLIC OFFICE.

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

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

LET THE RECORD SHOW: THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RETURNED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RESUMED REGULAR SESSION AT 10:44 A.M. WITH NO ACTION TAKEN AND NO DECISIONS MADE.

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.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: Commissioner Batchler read a statement from the Office of Secretary of State, Frank LaRose in regards to the Clermont County Board of Elections. The election team met after the May 3, 2022 primary election to discuss each County's performance. They had only positive feedback to offer during their discussions of Clermont County Board of Elections and commended their performance. Commissioner Batchler commended the Clermont County Board of Elections for a job well done and Commissioner Corcoran shared in those sentiments.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT...APPROVED

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, 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 10:46 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 Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Absent.

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

BONNIE J. BATCHLER, PRESIDENT

DAVID L. PAINTER, VICE PRESIDENT

CLAIRE B. CORCORAN, MEMBER

HOLLY ISAACS, CLERK OF THE BOARD

06/15/2022
DATE APPROVED