

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON FEBRUARY 15, 2023, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: BONNIE J. BATCHLER, PRESIDENT CLAIRE B. CORCORAN, VICE PRESIDENT AND DAVID L. PAINTER, 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 15, 2023 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 Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Batchler,

To approve the minutes of Regular Session of **02/08/2023**.

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

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

IN RE: MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION...APPROVED

Moved by Commissioner Corcoran, seconded by Commissioner Batchler,

To approve the minutes of Regular Session of **02/13/2023**.

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

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

LET THE RECORD SHOW: Commissioner Batchler stated that the Board had reached the Public Participation section of the agenda. She inquired if anyone in the audience would like to address the Board. No one requested to address the Board.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: The Board of County Commissioners, Clermont County, Ohio, issued a Proclamation today that designated March 2023 as “Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month” in Clermont County. (23-0110-005) The Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities, Superintendent Dan Ottke, Director of Community Relations Lisa Davis, and Activity Coordinator Angie Stanton, attended session today. Also attending and accepting the Proclamation on behalf of Developmental Disabilities was Abby Menardi, a 2017 graduate of Amelia High School, Great Oaks Project Search, and a Special Olympics swimmer. Mr. Ottke thanked the Board for the Proclamation and said Abby is a great example of how DD programs work for our workforce. Mr. Ottke said his team would attend the kickoff ceremony for Developmental Disabilities Month in Columbus on March 1, 2023.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: Commissioner Batchler stated that the Board will move up the agenda's County Staff/Elected Official Discussion section. She inquired if there was anyone that would like to address the board.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: Julianne Nesbit, Health Commissioner, Clermont County Public Health Department, addressed the Board today regarding tuberculosis. The County Commissioners

are statutorily responsible for their county Tuberculosis (TB) Program and hire the Clermont County Public Health Department to administer it. Clermont County Public Health Department is currently eligible to receive over \$5,000.00 in funding for the 2022 program. During 2022, there were sixteen e-visits, one home visit and one patient in-house at the Public Health Clinic. Since TB is more active in other countries, people who immigrate to the United States are seen by a physician at the port where they enter. If they are suspected of having TB, this information is sent to the local health department where the person will reside. Ms. Nesbit noted that people can be exposed to TB, it can be latent in their system, and the disease could become active at a much later time, so having Public Health in place to handle this is a great choice for the county.

Health Commissioner Nesbitt spoke to the Commissioners in December about implementing a Suicide Fatality Review Committee. There are Overdose Fatality Review and Child Fatality Review Committees already in place. The Child Fatality Review Committee is required by law but the Overdose and Suicide Fatality Review Committees are optional. Ms. Nesbit is asking that the Commissioners approve the resolution today to establish a Suicide Fatality Review Committee. The hope is to offer options and interventions to prevent suicides.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: Commissioner Batchler moved up Non-Consent Agenda items #9 and #10.

9. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION NUMBER 021-23/RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A SUICIDE FATALITY REVIEW COMMITTEE IN CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO AND TO DESIGNATE THE HEALTH COMMISSIONER TO CONVENE AND CHAIR COMMITTEE MEETINGS...23-0208-002...ADOPTED

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

Recommendation to adopt **Resolution Number 021-23** to establish the Suicide Fatality Review Committee in Clermont County, Ohio in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 307.642 (A) and to designate the Commissioner of Clermont County Public Health, or designee, to convene meetings and chair the Suicide Fatality Review Committee, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 307.644, with the purpose of decreasing the incidence of preventable suicide deaths.

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...SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT WITH OHIO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF THE COST OF PUBLIC HEALTH ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH TUBERCULOSIS CASES...23-0209-003...EXECUTED

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

Recommendation to authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to execute a Subrecipient Agreement between the Clermont County Board of Commissioners and the Ohio Department of Health, Bureau of Infectious Disease, Tuberculosis and Healthcare-Associated Infections/Antimicrobial Resistance Program, 246 N. High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215, to offset the cost of public health activities associated with Tuberculosis cases, in an amount not to exceed \$5,673.00, effective for the period of 05/21/2022 through 12/31/2022, in compliance with the terms and conditions.

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: Lyle Bloom, Director of Water Resources, and Tim Neyer, Assistant Director of Operations for Water Treatment, Water Resources, were present in session today. Mr. Bloom provided an update on the chemical spill from a train derailment in East Palestine, Ohio. The chemical runoff is now present in the Ohio River. The Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission (ORSANCO) monitors and samples the Ohio River for contaminants.

The chemical plume is expected to reach the Captain Anthony Meldahl Locks and Dam on the Ohio River sometime between Monday and Wednesday of next week. Sample concentrations of the pollutants continue to decrease, according to ORSANCO, and there is a chance that by the time it reaches Meldahl Dam, the contaminants may be undetectable. Surface water treatment plants for drinking water that pump water directly from the Ohio River are the primary concern in this situation. At the PUB Water Treatment Plant in Clermont County, well fields run adjacent to the Ohio River between U.S. 52. There is little concern the contaminants will collect in well fields; however, as a precautionary measure, Water Resources will shut down the wells closest to the Ohio River as the plume passes. The groundwater in our aquifer typically runs down the hills of the Ohio River Valley to the Ohio River. Very little water recharges from the Ohio River to the well fields.

Mr. Neyer realizes the concern of our citizens and assured the Board that if there are contaminants detected in the river in the area of our wellfield, Water Resources will sample the well water weekly for a month following the plume passing to be sure the water is safe. Commissioner Corcoran stated the response by Mr. Neyer on Facebook calmed and reassured the citizens.

Commissioner Painter asked what contaminant is the biggest concern. Mr. Neyer said, out of the six different compounds identified from the spill, butyl acrylate is the main concern. Commissioner Painter asked about the controlled burn and air contaminants. Mr. Neyer stated right now, the site is contained, there are no more contaminants leaving the site, and there has been a series of dams installed to re-pump the contaminants back to the spill site. Mr. Neyer further stated the air direction flows eastward so it should not fall in our direction. Mr. Neyer said the usual treatment for this type of contaminant is activated carbon but it can be oxidized with chlorine also. Commissioner Painter stated he is very confident in their ability to handle this and thanked them for their time today.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, gave an update on broadband. The first step of the process ended with over a thousand responses from the survey. A preliminary report from the data will be in by the end of the month and the second step of the process begins in March. Mr. Bickford recognized the great job that Mike Boehmer of the Office of Public Information did by getting the survey information pushed out to the public.

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 or consideration. Upon hearing none:

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

- 1. IN RE: WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT... RELEASE OF MAINTENANCE BONDS AS SURETY FOR THE INSTALLATION OF WATER AND/OR SEWER MAIN EXTENSIONS AND ACCEPTANCE OF SAME INTO THE COUNTY WATERWORKS AND WASTEWATER SYSTEMS...21-0310-003 & 21-1112-005...APPROVED**

Recommendation to authorize the release of Maintenance Bonds which provided surety for the installation of water and/or sewer main extensions to serve the following subdivisions and to accept said water and sewer main extensions into the County Waterworks and Wastewater Systems, pursuant to the Clermont County Water Resources Department Rules and Regulations:

Subdivision	Township	Water Main Extension Bond	Sewer Main Extension Bond
Woodside Park Subdivision Section 4-A DC# 21-0310-003	Pierce	\$8,300.00	
Glen Mary Park Subdivision Phase 3 & 4 DC# 21-1112-005	Pierce	\$6,000.00	\$12,300.00

2. IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER...RECORD PLAT NUMBER 629-3391 FOR THE DEDICATION OF ADDITIONAL RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG AMELIA-OLIVE BRANCH ROAD (C-4) LOCATED WITHIN BATAVIA TOWNSHIP...23-0202-001...EXECUTED

Recommendation to execute Record Plat Number 629-3391 for the Dedication of 0.6135 acres of additional right-of-way along Amelia-Olive Branch Road (C-4), located within Batavia Township.

3. IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER...GREEN VALLEY SUBDIVISION/UNION TOWNSHIP...RECORD PLAT NUMBER 629-XX FOR THE REPLAT OF LOT 4 WITHIN SAME...23-0202-002...EXECUTED

Recommendation to execute Record Plat Number 629-3392 for the Replat of Lot(s) in the following Subdivision/Location within Union Township:

Subdivision/Location	Record Plat Number	Reason for Replat
Green Valley Subdivision Replat of Lot 4 Union Township	629-3392	To create a new permanent highway easement. 84-SH = 0.0396 Acres

4. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...AUTHORIZATION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PROCUREMENT CARDS FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE CLERMONT COUNTY VETERANS COMMISSION AND AN EMPLOYEE OF THE CLERMONT COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT AND EXECUTION OF THE REQUEST FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A PROCUREMENT CARD PURSUANT TO THE CLERMONT COUNTY PROCUREMENT CARD POLICY AND PROCEDURES...23-0110-002...APPROVED

Recommendation to authorize the issuance of Procurement Cards for Nancy Young and Emily Dillenburger, employees of the Veterans Commission, and Tracie Sellars, an employee of the Clermont County Municipal Court, and to authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to execute the Request for the Issuance of a Procurement Card form in compliance with the Clermont County Procurement Card Policy and Procedures adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on 06/22/2005 and amended on 03/28/2007, 09/24/2014 and 05/25/2022.

5. IN RE: TRAINING AND TRAVEL REQUESTS...REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES...APPROVED

Recommendation to approve the following requests for reimbursement of expenses for training and travel according to the policies and procedures of the Board of County Commissioners and in compliance with the Annual Appropriations for Calendar Year 2023 and any amendments:

CLERMONT COUNTY SHERIFF

Corporal Jesse Kidder – (2) days – London, Ohio – Select Fire Weapon Instructor Course – total expenses for registration (\$650.00), estimated not to exceed \$650.00.

CLERMONT COUNTY PROBATE AND JUVENILE COURT

Judge James A Shriver – (3) days – Columbus, Ohio – Supreme Court of Ohio Summit on Children 2023 – total expenses for lodging (\$267.00), meals (\$192.00), and other (\$100.00), estimated not to exceed \$559.00.

CLERMONT COUNTY WATER RESOURCES

Ryan Hancock and Kevin Saunders – (1) days – Cincinnati, Ohio – Spring 23 Career and Cooperative Fair – total expenses for registration (\$60.00), estimated not to exceed \$60.00.

6. IN RE: PERSONNEL ACTIONS...APPROVED

Recommendation to approve the following personnel actions *contingent upon the successful completion of a background check and drug screen for new hires/rehires:*

* 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.

7. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION TO APPROVE FINANCIAL/BUDGETARY ACTIONS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023...RATIFIED

Recommendation 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 182-22**) for Calendar Year 2023, including the 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:

REIMBURSEMENT OF FUNDS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023

FROM: FUND - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	TO: FUND - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT REIMBURSEMENTS OUT SPEC REV 2403 - 06 - 01 - 086000 - 703200 -	PUBLIC ASSISTANCE REIMBURSEMENTS IN FROM SP REV 2401 - 06 - 01 - 081000 - 483200 -	\$ 135,064.51
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT REIMBURSEMENTS OUT SPEC REV 2404 - 06 - 01 - 087000 - 703200 -	PUBLIC ASSISTANCE REIMBURSEMENTS IN FROM SP REV 2401 - 06 - 01 - 081000 - 483200 -	\$ 29,155.80
CHILDRENS SERVICES REIMBURSEMENTS OUT SPEC REV 2402 - 06 - 01 - 085000 - 703200 -	PUBLIC ASSISTANCE REIMBURSEMENTS IN FROM SP REV 2401 - 06 - 01 - 081000 - 483200 -	\$ 358,363.68

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

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

NON-CONSENT AGENDA

8. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION NUMBER 020-23/PAYMENT OF BILLS...APPROVED

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

Recommendation that the Board of County Commissioners adopt **Resolution Number 020-23** resolving to approve payment to vendors **in the total amount of \$1,353,948.77** as set forth in the BCC Approval Invoice Report for Checks dated **February 15, 2023**, BCC Directed Pre-Paid Invoices Report(s) and/or the Procurement Card Transaction Report as presented by the County Auditor on **02/13/2023**, 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.

11. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS... LEASE AGREEMENT WITH PRESSLEY RIDGE FOR THE LEASE OF SPACE AT 2400 CLERMONT CENTER DRIVE, BATAVIA, OHIO...23-0206-004...EXECUTED

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

Recommendation to execute a Lease Agreement between the Board of County Commissioners, Clermont County, Ohio, and Pressley Ridge, 7162 Reading Road, Suite 900, Cincinnati, Ohio 45237, for the lease of 898 square feet of office space within the County building located at 2400 Clermont Center Drive, Batavia, Ohio, known as the Clermont Center Family Support Center Building, at an annual rate of \$12,598.94, payable by Pressley Ridge in one annual installment, effective for the period of 10/01/22 through 10/01/23, with the option to renew for three subsequent one-year terms, with the annual rental rate for each subsequent renewal term to be calculated and applied at the beginning of each renewal term using the Consumer Price Index, in compliance with the terms and conditions.

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

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

12. IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES...MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH PRESSLEY RIDGE FOR OHIORISE INTENSIVE CARE COORDINATION AND MODERATE CARE COORDINATION SERVICES...23-0207-002...EXECUTED

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

Recommendation to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between Pressley Ridge, 7162 Reading Road, Suite 900, Cincinnati, Ohio 45237, whose administrative office is located at 5500 Corporate Drive, 4th Floor, Suite 400, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15237, for OhioRISE Intensive Care Coordination (ICC) and Moderate Care Coordination (MCC) services for OhioRISE eligible clients, with support from Clermont County Family and Children First, effective for the period of 10/01/2022 through 09/30/2023, in compliance with all terms and conditions.

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

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

13. IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES...CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 TO THE CONTRACT FOR SERVICES WITH BUCKEYE POWER SALES CO. INC., FOR GENERATOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES LOCATED AT THE CLERMONT COUNTY AND NORTHERN KENTUCKY TOWER SITES...21-1004-002...EXECUTED

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

Recommendation to execute Change Order No. 1 to the Contract for Services with Buckeye Power Sales Co., Inc., 6850 Commerce Court Drive, P. O. Box 489, Blacklick, Ohio 43004, for Generator Maintenance and Repair Services located at the Clermont County and Northern Kentucky Tower Sites, previously ratified by the Board on 03/23/2022 and represents an increase in the amount of \$969.00, for the addition and deletion of generators at the new Goshen Tower Site and the previous Goshen/Patricia Tower Site, for a total adjusted contract

price of \$50,109.00, in compliance with the terms and conditions, **and contingent upon the release of the required Purchase Order.**

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

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

14. IN RE: FACILITIES MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT...ADOPTION OF REVISED TABLE OF ORGANIZATION FOR SAME...23-0208-004...ADOPTED

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

Recommendation to **adopt a revised Table of Organization** for the Facilities Management Department as outlined below and attached in Exhibit A, effective 02/20/2023, and further to authorize the update of the appropriate internet links and appendices accordingly.

Action	Class Title	Class Number	Pay Range
Reclassify	From: Facilities Management Supervisor	49115	16
	To: Facilities Management Assistant Director	89224	D
Reclassify	From: Administrative Support Coordinator	19143	12
	To: Contract Manager	79225	A
Abolish	HVAC Mechanic 3	49265	C

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

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

15. 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...23-0208-003...ADOPTED

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

Recommendation to **amend Appendix 4.09 of the Clermont County Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual** with respect to the Clermont County Classification Plan as outlined below and in Exhibit A, attached thereto and to be made a part thereof, effective 02/20/2023 and further to authorize the update of the appropriate internet links and appendices accordingly.

Action	Class Title	Class Number	Pay Range
Change Pay Range	HVAC 1	49263	From: 14 To: A
Change Pay Range	HVAC 2	49264	From: 16 To: C
Abolish	HVAC 3 (Vacant)	49265	C
Abolish	Human Resources Coordinator (Vacant)	79235	B
Abolish	Human Resources Administrator (Vacant)	89125	F

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

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

16. IN RE: COUNTY FLEET MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT.....RESOLUTION

NUMBER 022-23...RESOLVING TO AMEND RESOLUTION NUMBER 181-22 OF NECESSITY FOR PURCHASE OF MOTOR VEHICLES FOR THE USE OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS; ANY COUNTY DEPARTMENT, BOARD, COMMISSION, OFFICE OR AGENCY; OR ANY ELECTED COUNTY OFFICIAL OR THEIR EMPLOYEES...22-1206-007...ADOPTED

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

Recommendation to **adopt Resolution Number 022-23 resolving to amend Resolution Number 181-22**, previously ratified by the Board of County Commissioners on 12/14/2022, at a **revised estimated price of \$2,016,864.00** from funds appropriated for Calendar Year 2023, pursuant to Section 307.41 of the Ohio Revised Code and in compliance with Sections 307.86 through 307.92 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.

17. IN RE: WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT... REJECTION OF BIDS RECEIVED FOR PROJECT NUMBER 6401-60176 FOR THE SUMMIT ELEVATED TANK EVALUATION, REHABILITATION & COATINGS APPLICATION PROJECT LOCATED WITHIN BATAVIA TOWNSHIP AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NUMBER 023-23 TO AMEND RESOLUTION NUMBER 165-22 AND PROCEED WITH THIS PROJECT PURSUANT TO THE REVISED ESTIMATE OF COST AND FINANCING AND APPROVAL OF THE REQUEST TO RE-ADVERTISE FOR BIDS...22-1024-001 AND 22-1024-002...ADOPTED

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

Recommendation to **reject the bids** received on 01/26/23 for Project Number 6401-60176 for the **Summit Elevated Tank Evaluation, Rehabilitation & Coatings Application Project** located within Batavia Township, as all the bids exceeded the engineer's estimate of construction by more than ten percent, pursuant to and in compliance with Section 153.12 of the Ohio Revised Code and to adopt **Resolution Number 023-23** to amend Resolution Number 165-22, previously adopted by the Board on 11/16/2022, and to **make the improvements and proceed with the specifications and revised estimate of cost and financing**, and further to approve the request to **re-advertise for bids** for Project Number 6401-60176, in compliance with the specifications and to authorize the Clerk of the Board to place a **Legal Notice in a newspaper of general circulation on Thursday, 02/23/2023, scheduling a non-mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting on 03/09/2023 at 2:00 P.M., with bids to be received until 2:00 P.M. Local Time on Thursday, 03/16/2023**, in the Office of the Board of County Commissioners, 101 East Main Street, Batavia, Ohio 45103, where they will be publicly opened and read aloud. This notice will also be posted on Clermont County's website at the following URL link: <https://clermontcountyohio.gov/>.

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Painter questioned if this was because the bids were 10% over the engineer's estimate. Mr. Bloom confirmed that is correct.

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: Wade Grabowski, Director, Facilities Management, introduced the staff of Garmann Miller to the Board of County Commissioners. Garmann Miller was chosen as the architect-engineer-design firm for the Filager Campus Improvement Phase I project. Attending, via Zoom, for today's session was Chris Monnin, Jeremy Fleming, Mandy Niekamp and Eric Schmiesing, all part of the Garmann Miller team working on the project.

Jeremy Evans, Engineer, Clermont County Engineer, stated that Garmann Miller's approach to project management is what made them rise above the rest. The documentation and the process they go through really stood out to him. Mr. Evans, as an engineer, feels they are the best choice for the new Engineer facilities project.

Wade Grabowski stated Garmann Miller has enough confidence in their design and engineering team for this project that they recommended the contingency be only 5% and normally 10% is a standard contingency for a project like this. Garmann Miller has architects, engineers, and designers all in-house. Commissioner Painter asked several questions including hand drawings being done at the site for changes; and whether there is an engineer, on-site, to provide a quick resolution so the work at the project site could continue. Jason Fleming said he will be on-site and all changes are handled as quickly as possible, not necessarily hand-drawn, but certainly addressed during each weekly meeting. All matters are prioritized due to wait times so as not to hold up construction. Commissioner Painter asked about the Request for Information process. Mr. Monnin stated the items are all costed out in the RFI and if there are additional costs, they will be addressed by a proposal request. The County will approve the change order before it is issued. Commissioner Painter asked again if an engineer will be able to issue a change order quickly on the job site. Garmann Miller's response was they are confident it can be handled quickly since the engineers are in-house and that a drawing can be issued within a couple hours.

With no additional questions from the Board, Wade thanked the Garmann Miller team for their time and looks forward to working with them in the near future.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: A motion was received by Commissioner Painter and seconded by Commissioner Batchler, to table Agenda Item #18 at this time.

18. IN RE: FACILITIES MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT...REQUEST TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF ENGINEER, FACILITIES MANAGEMENT AND FLEET MAINTENANCE FACILITIES...21-0610-001...TABLED

Recommendation to approve the *request to advertise for bids for Engineer, Facilities Management and Fleet Management Facilities*, pursuant to the plans and specifications and to authorize the Clerk of the Board to place a Legal Notice in a newspaper of general circulation on *Thursday, February 23, 2023*, scheduling a mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting on *Thursday, March 9, 2023, at 10:00 AM* Local Time to be held at the Engineer Sign Shop, 4007 Filager Road, Batavia, Ohio 45103, with bids to be received until *2:00 P.M. Local Time on Thursday, April 13, 2023*, in the office of the Board of County Commissioners, 101 East Main Street, Batavia, Ohio 45103, where they will be publicly opened and read aloud shortly thereafter. This notice will also be posted on Clermont County's website at the following URL link: <https://clermontcountyohio.gov/>

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

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

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 10:55 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

CLAIRE B. CORCORAN, VICE PRESIDENT

DAVID L. PAINTER, MEMBER

Gael Fawley, Clerk of the Board

02/22/2023
DATE APPROVED