

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON OCTOBER 4, 2023, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: PRESIDENT BONNIE J. BATCHLER, VICE PRESIDENT CLAIRE B. CORCORAN AND MEMBER DAVID L. PAINTER. 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.

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 AT <https://www.youtube.com/user/clermontcounty/playlists>.

IN RE: MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION...APPROVED

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

To approve the minutes of Regular Session of **09/27/2023**.

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

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

PROCLAMATION: Commissioner Batchler presented a proclamation to Stephanie Shoe, Non-Residential Intervention Coordinator with Young Women's Christian Association of Cincinnati (YWCA), designating October 2023 as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Clermont County".

Ms. Shoe thanked the Board for their continued support of the YWCA. They are located at the Domestic Relations Court. Their office has assisted 235 individuals to date. The YWCA has two shelters, one in Clermont County and the other in Hamilton County. They work with the Clermont County Prosecutor's Office and Little Fork Family Advocacy Center, local police departments, and the Commissioners.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: No one requested to address the Board.

NEW EMPLOYEE INTRODUCTIONS: The Board welcomed new employees and thanked them for choosing to work for Clermont County.

PRESENTATION: Sandy Tahat, Human Resources Director, and Steve Ferguson of USI presented information regarding 2024 Clermont County Benefits, a follow-up from the September 20, 2023 presentation, to answer any questions and share the findings from the Health Advisory Committee with the Board.

Commissioner Batchler asked how many members are on the advisory Board. Yvonne Smith said approximately ten members. The Health Advisory Committee recommended the Board go with United Healthcare again for 2024, and they will look closely at other options for 2025. The committee is split on how to fund the chosen option for this year as there is an increase in cost. The cost would be \$4.15 per paycheck per employee, and the departments would fund \$500,000.00 and \$200,000.00 from the Healthcare Reserve.

LET THE RECORD SHOW: The Board of County Commissioners considered removing tabled Item Number 14, included in the Regular Session Non-Consent Agenda of 09/20/2023.

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that agenda item number

14 from the 09/20/2023 agenda be removed from the table.

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

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

14. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY HUMAN RESOURCE DEPARTMENT... ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSALS AND/OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RENEWALS OF THE GROUP HEALTH BENEFITS FOR THE 2024 BENEFIT YEAR AND AUTHORIZATION TO OBTAIN NEW AGREEMENTS, ESTABLISH THE CAFETERIA PLAN AND SCHEDULE OPEN ENROLLMENT...23-0914-001...APPROVED

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

Recommendation (1) to accept the 2024 Vendor Recommendations, as presented to the Board of County Commissioners by USI on September 20, 2023, and to acknowledge the renewals of the listed carriers for 2024, as outlined in the table below, effective January 1, 2024; (2) to authorize the Benefits Coordinator to obtain new Agreements, as noted, for the referenced services for submittal to the Board of County Commissioners for ratification; (3) to establish the Cafeteria Plan reflecting the 2024 plans, employee cost and the 2024 Benefit Credits; (4) to schedule the 2024 Benefits Open Enrollment Period:

CARRIER	SERVICE
United Healthcare of Ohio, Inc.* 400 E. Business Way, Suite 100 Sharonville, Ohio 45241 DC# 20-0923-006 *Renew existing Contract 12/31/2026	Administration functions and claims services for the County's Medical Plan for employees and covered dependents. As negotiated through the Health Action Council (HAC).
Magellan Rx Management, LLC* 11013 West Broad Street Glen Allen, Virginia 23060 *New Contract through 12/31/2024	Administration functions, claims services, and clinical oversight for the County's Prescription Drug Plan for employees and covered dependents.
PaydHealth, LLC* 4100 Alpha Road, Suite 500 Dallas, Texas 75244 DC# 22-0118-006 *Existing Contract through 12/31/2024	Specialty Rx Resource fully integrated with the Magellan Rx plan. Provides significant savings to both the County and the patient.
MetLife Dental* MetLife 200 Park Avenue New York, New York 10017 *New Contract through 12/31/2024	Fully insured dental plan for employees and covered dependents. Offering a basic plan and premium plan options, and in and out of network benefits.
VSP Vision Plan* 3400 Morse Crossing Columbus, Ohio 43219 DC# 22-0304-004 *Existing Contract through 12/31/2025	Fully insured vision plan for employees and covered dependents.
VOYA/ReliaStar Insurance Company* 20 Washington Avenue South Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401 DC# 18-0928-004 *Existing Agreement through 12/31/2025	Coverage and administrative services for basic life, voluntary life, accidental death and dismemberment and long-term disability insurance.
Chard Snyder and Associations, Inc.* 6867 Cintas Boulevard Mason, Ohio 45040 DC# 15-0921-001 *Multi-Year Agreement through 12/31/2025	Administrative services for Section 125 premium conversion and the Flexible Savings Account (FSA) benefits plan.
P & A Administrative Services, Inc.* 17 Court Street, Suite 55 Buffalo, New York 14202-3294 DC# 14-1224-004	Full COBRA Administration including, but not limited to providing COBRA notices, payment collection, COBRA enrollment, COBRA open enrollment, notifying vendor when member elects COBRA.

*Existing Contract through 12/31/2024	
TriHealth EAP* 11121 Kenwood Road Cincinnati, Ohio 45242 DC# 18-0928-005 *Existing Agreement rate hold through 12/31/2024	Employee Assistance Program provider: Provides a variety of counseling services to employees and family members. On-site and webinar training opportunities for employees, supervisors, etc.

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

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

CONSENT AGENDA

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 Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

1. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES/INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT...ELECTRONIC SUBSCRIPTION RENEWALS FOR SOFTWARE AND HARDWARE UPDATES AND SUPPORT...23-0920-002...APPROVED

Recommendation to approve electronic subscription renewals for the provision of software updates and support at the not to exceed estimated rates and the terms outlined below and to authorize the County Auditor to remit payment:

Vendor	Software/Hardware	Not to Exceed Estimated Rate	Term
Insight Public Sector 2701 E Insight Way Chandler AZ, 85286 DC #23-0920-003	Barracuda Energize Updates for ESG 400	\$2,784.72	09/27/2023 through 09/26/2024
	Barracuda Instant Replacement for ESG 400	\$1,782.12	09/26/2023 through 09/25/2024

2. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...AUTHORIZATION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PROCUREMENT CARDS AND EXECUTION OF THE REQUEST FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A PROCUREMENT CARD...23-0110-002...EXECUTED

Recommendation to authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to execute the Request for the Issuance of a Procurement Card form and to authorize the issuance of Procurement Cards 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, for the employees listed below:

Employee Name	Department
Jenna O'Hair	Department of Job and Family Services
Sandra Webster	Department of Job and Family Services
Sarah Laws	Department of Job and Family Services

3. IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER...RECORD PLAT NUMBER 629-3435 FOR THE

ESTATES AT STONE PILLARS FARM SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN GOSHEN TOWNSHIP...23-0928-002...EXECUTED

Recommendation to execute Record Plat Number **629-3435** for The Estates at Stone Pillars Farm Subdivision located within Goshen Township, which includes a private street not for public maintenance.

4. 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 BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Tracie Braun - 4 days - Columbus, Ohio – County Commissioners Association of Ohio Winter Conference – total expenses for lodging (\$500.00), meals (\$256.00), registration (\$495.00), and other (\$50.00), estimated not to exceed \$1,301.00

CLERMONT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES/SWORTC

Diane Davis – 2 days - County Site Visits per Subgrant Agreement – total expenses for lodging (\$98.00), meals (\$118.00) and mileage (\$353.75), estimated not to exceed \$569.75.

CLERMONT COUNTY JAIL

Major Bernard Boerger Jr. - 3 days - Shelby, Ohio – Jail Administrator's Conference – total expenses for lodging (\$535.67), estimated not to exceed \$535.67

CLERMONT COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT

Judge Jesse Kramig – 192 days – Batavia, Ohio – Ohio Bar Virtual Training Programs – total expenses for registration (\$180.00), estimated not to exceed \$180.00

CLERMONT COUNTY SHERIFF

Deputy Seth Sparks - 1 day - Batavia, Ohio – Finding the Leader in You – total expenses for registration (\$219.00), estimated not to exceed \$219.00

5. 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.

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

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:

BUDGET TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023

FUND	FROM: ORGANIZATION - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	TO: ORGANIZATION - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
GENERAL FUND	Juvenile Court FRINGE BENEFITS 1000 - 02 - 14 - 271000 - 520000 -	Juvenile Probation OVERTIME 1000 - 04 - 14 - 282000 - 512100 -	\$ 7,500.00

CASH TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023

FROM: FUND - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	TO: FUND - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
CERT OF TITLE ADMINISTRATION TRANSFERS OUT TO GEN FUND 2102 - 01 - 05 - 221000 - 700100 -	GENERAL FUND OPERATING TRF IN FR SPEC REV 1000 - 01 - 01 - 032328 - 480200 -	\$ 500,000.00

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

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

NON-CONSENT AGENDA

7. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION NUMBER 137-23 FOR THE 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 137-23** resolving to approve payment to vendors **in the total amount of \$2,439,103.20** as set forth in the BCC Approval Invoice Report for Checks dated **October 4, 2023**, BCC Directed Pre-Paid Invoices Report(s) and/or the Procurement Card Transaction Report as presented by the County Auditor on **10/02/2023**, 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.

8. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY SHERIFF...SUBGRANT AWARD AGREEMENT THROUGH THE STATE OF OHIO OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES RELATIVE TO THE RECOVERY OHIO 2023 GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE PROJECT ENTITLED CLERMONT COUNTY DRUG UNIT...23-0922-002...EXECUTED

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

Recommendation to authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to execute the **Subgrant Award Agreement for Subgrant Number 2023-RO-ETF-R581** from 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 Recovery Ohio 2023 Grant program for the project entitled Clermont County Drug Unit in the amount of \$193,542.06 with no local match required for the period of 05/01/2023 through 04/30/2024, for and on behalf of the County Sheriff of the County of Clermont, Ohio, as the designated agency for the administration and implementation, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions and in concert with the Grant Application filed electronically by the

County Sheriff on or about April 14, 2023.

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

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

9. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION NUMBER 138-23 AMENDING RESOLUTION NUMBER 022-23 OF NECESSITY FOR PURCHASE OR LEASE OF MOTOR VEHICLES FOR THE USE OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONER AND ANY COUNTY DEPARTMENT, BOARD, COMMISSION, OFFICE, AGENCY, ANY COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIAL OR ANY COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS' EMPLOYEES...22-1206-007...ADOPTED

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

Recommendation to adopt **Resolution Number 138-23** resolving to amend Resolution Number 022-23, previously ratified by the Board of County Commissioners on 02/15/2023 and amended on 04/24/2023, 06/14/2023, and 08/09/2023, at a revised estimated price of \$2,237,770.43 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.

10. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES...SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CINCINNATI BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY LLC FOR 50MB DEDICATED FUSE INTERNET ACCESS...23-0921-001...EXECUTED

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

Recommendation to authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to execute the Services Agreement Number O-00033855 between the Board of Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio, and Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company LLC, 221 East Fourth Street, P.O. Box 2301, Cincinnati, Ohio 45201, for the provision of 50MB Dedicated Fuse Internet Access at the Clermont County Communications Center located at 2279 Clermont Center Drive, Batavia, Ohio 45103, for 911 Leads, Mapping, and NetMotion Access, at a rate of \$1,164.00 per month, for 60 months, effective from 10/17/2023 through 10/16/2028, all at the terms and rates and conditions, pursuant to and 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.

11. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT/THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS DIVISION (TTD)...SERVICES AGREEMENT NUMBER Q-00029031 WITH CINCINNATI BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY LLC DBA ALTA FIBER FOR ETHERNET SERVICES AT THE BATAVIA, MILFORD, AND BEECHMONT TITLE OFFICES AS WELL AS THE HERITAGE BUILDING...23-0330-001...EXECUTED

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

Recommendation to authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to execute Services Agreement Number Q-00029031 between the Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio, and Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company LLC, DBA altafiber, 221 East Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45201, for the Master Services, Products and License Agreement and Equipment Maintenance Addendum between Clermont County, Ohio, and Cincinnati Bell Technology Solutions Inc., previously ratified by the Board of County Commissioners on 08/24/2016, and extended through Addendum #02450665-A on 10/24/2018, to provide Ethernet Services at the Batavia, Beechmont, and Milford Auto Title Offices as well as the Heritage Building, for \$1,050.00 per month, for an estimated annual rate of \$12,600.00 during the initial term of 36 months totaling \$37,800.00 and then automatically extended for an additional 12 month period, as defined in the Contract Term; Terms and Conditions, subject to County funding availability, unless either party provides written notice to the other of its intent to terminate, or non-renew, and to allow said Services Agreement Number Q-00029031 to supersede the previous Services Agreements #02450543, #02450860, and #02450855 for the Auto Title Offices and Heritage Building previously ratified by the Board on 04/22/2020, in compliance with the terms and conditions and contingent upon the receipt of the required purchase order.

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

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

12. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY FACILITIES MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT...CHANGE ORDER #3 TO CONTRACT FOR THE FILAGER CAMPUS IMPROVEMENT PHASE 1 FOR CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO...21-0610-001...EXECUTED

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

Recommendation to authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to execute Change Order No. 3 to the contract with Monarch Construction Company, 164 Sherman Avenue, P.O. Box 12249, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45212-0249, for construction of the Filager Campus Improvement Phase 1 project, previously ratified by the Board of County Commissioners on 05/31/2023 and amended on 07/12/2023 and 08/23/2023, with no change in the total contract price of \$18,516,000.00 or completion date of August 5, 2024, which represents providing additional undercut, trench fill and fabric wrap as recommended by the 3rd party testing agency resulting in the required use of an amount not to exceed \$89,460.68 of the contract contingency allowance as more fully described therein, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions set forth within the Contract for Filager Campus Improvement Phase 1.

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Painter asked if the total contract price of \$18,516,000.00 included the 5% contingency. Mr. Grabowski said the contingency was included in the bid amount.

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

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

13. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY ENGINEER... RESOLUTION NUMBER 139-23 AUTHORIZING APPLICATIONS FOR AID TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT FOR INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ENGINEER, JEREMY P. EVANS, TO CERTIFY AND ELECTRONICALLY SUBMIT THE APPLICATIONS FOR PROJECT SUPPORT TO THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 164 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE AND FURTHER TO AUTHORIZE JEREMY P. EVANS TO EXECUTE THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION (OPWC) PROJECT GRANT AGREEMENTS...23-0925-001...ADOPTED

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

Recommendation to adopt Resolution Number 139-23 to authorize Jeremy P. Evans to execute, certify and submit **Applications for Financial Assistance** for infrastructure replacements and improvements for project support of the infrastructure improvement projects for Program Year 38/2024, in the amounts outlined below or other such amounts as may be awarded, to the Ohio Public Works Commission(OPWC), 65 East State Street, Suite 312, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4213, including all understandings and assurances required and to act by the Applications as they may be revised, and to provide such additional information as may be required, pursuant to and in compliance with Chapter 164 of the Ohio Revised Code and further to authorize Jeremy P. Evans to execute the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) Project Grant Agreements:

Project	Bridge/Township	Project Amount	
2024 Bridge Replacement Projects	Bray Road T170-1.27/Goshen Township	OPWC Grant	\$1,021,200.00
	Marathon Edenton Road C82-1.61/Jackson Township	MVG Funds	\$ 458,800.00
	Newtownsville Hutchinson Road C93-2.08/Stonelick Township	Project Cost	\$1,480,000.00
2024 Landslide Repairs	Hopper Hill Road Road/Pierce Township	OPWC Grant	\$ 620,257.00
	Baldwin Road/Union Township	MVG Funds	\$ 47,625.00
	Coombs Road/Washington Township	Union Township	\$ 73,354.00
	Moscow Cemetery Road/Washington Township	Washington Township	\$ 43,899.00
		Project Cost	\$785,135.00

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

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

14. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY ENGINEER...AGREEMENT WITH THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES RELATIVE TO THE MOSCOW CEMETERY AND COOMBS ROAD LANDSLIDE PROJECTS LOCATED IN WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP...23-0919-001...EXECUTED

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

Recommendation to execute an **Agreement** between the Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio, and the Washington Township Board of Trustees, 2238 State Route 756, Moscow, Ohio 45153, relative to the **Moscow Cemetery and Coombs Road Landslide Projects** located within Washington Township, and to authorize the **County Engineer to pursue funding from the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC)**, for a total estimated project cost of \$212,000.00 with reimbursement responsibility described below:

OPWC Grant 79%	\$167,480.00
Washington Township required local share 21%	\$ 44,520.00
Total	\$212,000.00

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

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

15. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT... RESOLUTION NUMBER 140-23 AMENDING RESOLUTION NUMBER 062-23 WHICH APPROVED REVISED GENERAL PLANS FOR THE COUNTY WATERWORKS SYSTEM AND AMENDING SAID PLAN TO INCLUDE PROJECT NUMBER 6401-60239 FOR THE BMW TREATMENT PLANT CONTROL VALVE PROJECT LOCATED IN BATAVIA TOWNSHIP...23-0519-003...ADOPTED

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

Recommendation **to adopt Resolution Number 140-23** to amend Resolution Number 062-23,

previously ratified by the Board of County Commissioners on 06/28/2023, which approved revised General Plans for the 5 Year Waterworks Capital Improvement Plan (2023-2027), and to amend said Plan to include Project Number 6401-60239 for the BMW Treatment Plant Control Valve Project located within Batavia Township; to authorize and direct the Clermont County Water Resources Department to perform or have performed preliminary and design engineering, preparation of detailed plans, specifications, contract documents, and estimates of cost for the proposed improvement; and further authorize the Clermont County Water Resources Department, its employees or agents, to enter onto private and/or public properties to be affected by the proposed improvement after sufficient notice to owners and/or persons in possession or control of such properties, to perform soil investigations, surveys, appraisals, or other examinations as deemed necessary in order to finalize said preliminary or design engineering, contract documents, acquisition of required rights-of-ways, and estimates of cost pursuant to Chapter 6103 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.

**16. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT...
RECOMMENDATION NOT TO PROCEED WITH THE PINE LANE,
BRANCH HILL MIAMIVILLE ROAD & DECADE LANE SEWER
PETITION PROJECT LOCATED IN MIAMI TOWNSHIP...20-1214-
005...APPROVED**

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

Recommendation not to proceed with the Pine Lane, Branch Hill Miamiville Road & Decade Lane Sewer Petition Project located in Miami Township due to the lack of support from property owners for the Project and to authorize the Clermont County Water Resources Department to send notice to the owners of property affected by this Project advising them that the Project is no longer active and declaring that all proceedings are hereby discontinued.

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

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

**17. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT...AWARD
OF BID AND EXECUTION OF CONTRACT FOR PROJECT NUMBER
6401-60189 FOR THE PUB WATER TREATMENT PLANT WELL FIELD
REHABILITATION PROJECT FOR WELLS 4, 8A, 14 & 15A LOCATED
WITHIN PIERCE TOWNSHIP...23-0407-006...EXECUTED**

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

Recommendation to award the bid and execute the Contract for Project Number 6401-60189 for the PUB Water Treatment Plant Well Field Rehabilitation Project for Wells 4, 8A, 14 & 15A located within Pierce Township, pursuant to the specifications, to Moody's of Dayton, Inc., 4359 Infirmary Road, Miamisburg, Ohio 45342, for the lowest and best bid received on 08/31/2023, at the accepted item prices as outlined therein, for a total amount not to exceed \$644,644.00, in compliance with the terms and conditions set forth therein and contingent upon the release of the required

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

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

18. IN RE: BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS...AUTHORIZATION FOR O.R. COLAN

ASSOCIATES, LLC, TO ENTER INTO PROPERTY ACQUISITION DISCUSSIONS ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD AND EXECUTION OF THE FAIR MARKET VALUE APPROVAL FORM...23-0928-003...EXECUTED

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

Recommendation to authorize O.R. Colan Associates, LLC, 22710 Fairview Center Drive, Fairview Park, Ohio 44126, to enter into property acquisition discussions on behalf of the Board of Clermont County Commissioners and further to authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to execute the Fair Market Value Approval Form relative thereto.

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

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

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

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

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 BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

David Painter - 4 days - Columbus, Ohio – County Commissioners Association of Ohio Winter Conference – total expenses for lodging (\$500.00), meals (\$256.00), registration (\$495.00), and other (\$50.00), estimated not to exceed \$1,301.00

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

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

20. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION TO APPROVE CHANGES TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023...APPROVED

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

Recommendation to resolve to approve and authorize changes in the Annual Appropriation **Resolution Number 182-22** for Calendar Year 2023 pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.40 as outlined in the following table and to authorize Linda L. Fraley, County Auditor, to properly record same:

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023

<u>FUND</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION - OBJECT - ACCOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
GENERAL FUND	Sheriff Administration OTHER EXPENSES 1000 - 04 - 19 - 431000 - 530000 -	\$ 711.68
GENERAL FUND	Sheriff Road Patrol OTHER EXPENSES 1000 - 04 - 19 - 438000 - 530000 -	\$ 4,056.26

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: The Board of County Commissioners considered removing tabled Item Number 17, included in the Regular Session Non-Consent Agenda of 09/27/2023.

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that agenda item number 17 from the 09/27/2023 agenda be removed from the table.

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

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

17. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...DISPOSITION OF THE APPOINTMENT TO THE OHIO POWER SITING BOARD FOR THE CLEAR MOUNTAIN ENERGY CENTER LLC PROJECT IN CLERMONT COUNTY...23-0921-010...APPROVED

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

Recommendation for the appointment of a Clermont County Commissioner or their Designated Alternate to the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) for the Clear Mountain Energy Center LLC Certificate of Environmental Capability and Public Need for a Solar Facility in Clermont County, Ohio, pursuant to and in compliance with Ohio Revised Code 4906.21(C)(1)(b).

DISCUSSION: Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, said the application had not been filed but the intent to file was received. Jackson Township has already appointed its member. Commissioner Painter asked if the project would be grandfathered in or not. Mr. Bickford said that is the information we do not have, and we will not know until the application is formally filed with the OPSB.

Commissioner Painter asked if Jackson Township was included in our resolution against large-scale wind and solar farms. Mr. Bickford said yes, they were included in the first round.

Commissioner Corcoran said she will sit on the Board. The Board agreed to appoint Commissioner Corcoran to the Ohio Power Siting Board for this application.

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

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

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS: Commissioner Batchler inquired if there were any additions to the agenda.

IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...ADDITION OF ONE AGENDA ITEM TO THE REGULAR SESSION OF 10/04/2023...23-0110-001...APPROVED

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

Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, asked the Board to consider adding Healthcare Benefits Rates to the agenda for Regular Session.

Commissioner Batchler requested a motion to approve the addition to today's Regular Session agenda.

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

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

DISCUSSION: Sandy Tahat, Human Resources Director, has two funding options available, which are to pass on the cost to employees or not. It was outlined earlier that the first option was to absorb the increase in cost between the Department Funds and to draw down some of the Healthcare Reserve Funds. Option 2 is to pass some costs onto employees, \$4.15 a paycheck per employee, which would net nearly \$100,000.00, and add in Department Funds and some of the Healthcare Reserve Funds to reduce county costs. So those were our two recommendations.

Commissioner Batchler confirmed with Ms. Tahat that there had not been an increase for employees since 2019. Ms. Tahat confirmed that we've been able to hold them for four years. Commissioner Corcoran asked if the increase covered all tiers and Ms. Tahat confirmed the increase was across both plans and all tiers.

Commissioner Painter asked what was driving the increase in cost; was it the Rx cost? Ms. Tahat confirmed some of the rebates did not come in as expected, and \$400,000 came from the reserves for approximately \$800,000.

Commissioner Painter said we are looking at ways to retain employees, and we have an opportunity to absorb this cost and not pass it on to the employee. Commissioner Painter stated in our current environment, let's hold it one more year without the employees having to pull money out of their pockets.

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

Recommendation to approve United Healthcare Option 1 for funding for the 2024 County Health Benefits:

UHC OPTION 1 - INCREASE DISTRIBUTION: \$600k County / \$0 Employee / \$200k Reserves

2024 Healthcare Plans (per pay / 24 pays per year)

MEDICAL COPAY	COUNTY BENEFIT CREDIT	EMPLOYEE (Before PCP Credit)
SINGLE	\$327.73	\$44.03
EE + SPOUSE	\$642.38	\$135.60
EE + CHILD(REN)	\$535.61	\$109.68
FAMILY	\$1,020.35	\$196.98

MEDICAL HDP / HSA	COUNTY BENEFIT CREDIT	EMPLOYEE (Before PCP Credit)	COUNTY HSA CONTRIB.
SINGLE	\$265.64	\$30.00	\$25.00
EE + SPOUSE	\$519.51	\$98.96	\$50.00
EE + CHILD(REN)	\$432.91	\$79.14	\$50.00
FAMILY	\$825.00	\$141.57	\$50.00

DENTAL	Basic Plan	Premium Plan
SINGLE	\$13.00	\$15.13
EE + SPOUSE	\$35.66	\$41.51
EE + CHILD(REN)	\$32.83	\$38.20
FAMILY	\$39.81	\$46.37

VISION	
SINGLE	\$2.80
EE + SPOUSE	\$5.88
EE + CHILD(REN)	\$6.73
FAMILY	\$8.07

Spousal Surcharge; \$50 per pay (in addition to selected plan rate) for employees electing spousal coverage through the county when the spouse has coverage available through their own employer.

Tobacco User Rates: \$25.00 upcharge per pay (in addition to selected plan rate)
HSA County Contribution Per Pay: Employee Only: \$25; w/Dependent Coverage: \$50
County Paid Life Insurance; Amount \$25,000: \$0.13 per \$1,000 (= \$3.25 per employee). County Paid LTD Insurance: \$0.137 per \$100 (X annual base salary)

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

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

IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...ADDITION OF ONE AGENDA ITEM TO THE REGULAR SESSION OF 10/04/2023...23-0110-001...APPROVED

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

Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, asked the Board to consider adding Executive Session pursuant to section 121.22 (G)(3) and (G)(8)(a) of the Ohio Revised Code to 1) confer with the prosecuting attorney concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action and 2) consider confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance, or negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance to be provided under sections 5709.77 to 5709.81 of the Ohio Revised Code to Regular Session.

Commissioner Batchler requested a motion to approve the addition to today's Regular Session agenda.

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

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion by Commissioner Painter and seconded by Commissioner Corcoran to go into Executive Session at 11:04 a.m. pursuant to section 121.22 (G)(1), (G)(3) and (G)(8) of the Ohio Revised Code to 1) consider the employment, promotion, and compensation of a public employee or more public employees.

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: Commissioner Painter made a motion to rescind the motion, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran.

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

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion by Commissioner Painter and seconded by Commissioner Corcoran to go into Executive Session at 11:06 a.m. pursuant to section 121.22 (G)(1), (G)(3) and (G)(8) of the Ohio Revised Code to 1) consider the employment, promotion, and compensation of a public employee or more public employees, 2) confer with the prosecuting attorney concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action and 3)

consider confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance, or negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance to be provided under sections 5709.77 to 5709.81 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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board of County Commissioners returned from Executive Session and resumed Regular Session at 12:42 p.m. after having 1) considered the employment, promotion, and compensation of a public employee or more public employees, 2) conferred with the prosecuting attorney concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action and 3) considered confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance, or negotiations with other political subdivisions respecting requests for economic development assistance to be provided under sections 5709.77 to 5709.81 of the Ohio Revised Code., with no action taken and no decisions made.

COUNTY STAFF/ELECTED OFFICIALS DISCUSSION: Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, discussed the Weaver Road Water Petition and the additional funding of \$72,020.00 needed to keep the project affordable for residents. This funding could come from unencumbered ARPA funds.

Commissioner Painter asked if we had incurred any cost on this project and if the County had done any engineering. Lyle Bloom, Director of Water Resources, said they do the design in-house but outsource the survey work; Construction costs have gone way up since the original bid in 2020.

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

Recommendation to approve using \$72,020.00 in ARPA funds for the Weaver Road Water Petition Project.

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

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

Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, spoke regarding Broadband and the responsibilities according to the Ohio Revised Code. This is an asset that we will build and then turn around and lease to a third party. There will be some type of income generated from that. The next step will be to work with the Prosecutor's Office to figure out how to construct the asset, maybe with the Port Authority. Mr. Bickford is working with the Port Authority's leaders and their counsel. He is looking at other funds that can complete this and make this work in the constraints of being a county.

Commissioner Painter agrees passing this on to Clermont County Port Authority is a good idea.

MEMBER COMMENTS: No member comments.

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 12:53 p.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.

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10/25/2023
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