

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON NOVEMBER 1, 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 Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

To approve the Regular Session minutes of **10/25/2023**.

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

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

PROCLAMATION: Commissioner Batchler presented a proclamation designating the week of November 6-11, 2023, as “Veterans’ Awareness Week in Clermont County” and as “Operation Green Light for Veterans in Clermont County”

Tom Scovanner, Executive Director, Clermont County Veterans Services, thanked the Commissioners for their support over the years and this upcoming year.

Mike Boehmer, Communication Coordinator, Office of Public Information, provided the details for Operation Greenlight for Veterans for November 6-12, 2023. Mr. Boehmer said this is a nationwide effort, uniting Counties to support military veterans. It is spearheaded by the National Association of Counties and the National Association of County Veterans Service Officers.

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

PRESENTATION: Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, provided an overview for the Board regarding Restricted Areas for the Construction of Economically Significant Wind Farms, Large Wind Farms and Large Solar Facilities. Mr. Bickford said back in June, the Board passed Resolution 90-23 to restrict large wind, solar, and economically significant wind farms in certain townships. Since then, four other townships have submitted resolutions stating they would like to be included in the restricted area.

Mr. Bickford provided two maps. One outlines the current restricted area and another with the addition of the four unincorporated areas which are Franklin, Goshen, Ohio, and Union Townships.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: A citizen requested to address the Board.

Name	Township/City/Organization	Summary
Beverly Welbourne	Goshen Township	She has a grievance with the County and claims she is not being acknowledged which is against her First Amendment right. She believes nuclear power is worse than solar for the environment. The County

		Engineer's office did not respond to her request on how much radiation is emitted in one acre of solar area.
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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 Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

1. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR OR THE ASSISTANT COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO APPROVE MASTER SERVICE AGREEMENT(S) AND TO RELEASE THE SUBSEQUENT PURCHASE ORDER(S) RELATED TO THE AGREEMENT(S)...APPROVED

Recommendation to authorize the County Administrator and/or the Assistant County Administrator to approve the Master Service Agreement(s) as outlined below and to allow the release of the required purchase order(s) for the terms and conditions specified in the agreement(s):

Vendor	MSA Service	Term
Silco Fire & Security DBA Silco Fire Protection Company 10200 Reading Road Cincinnati, Ohio 45241 DC# 23-1017-001	Bi-annual sensitivity testing, pressure testing, annual fire alarm, fire extinguisher, sprinkler systems, smoke detectors and fire suppression certification and inspection and testing services, and emergency services	01/01/2024 to 12/31/2026
Spectra Holdings, Inc. DBA Spectra Contract Flooring 5 Kovach Drive Loveland, Ohio 45215 DC# 23-1019-006	Flooring installation and demolition for buildings	11/01/2023 to 10/31/2026

2. IN RE: INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT...ELECTRONIC SUBSCRIPTION RENEWALS ON HEWLETT PACKARD EQUIPMENT FOR HARDWARE MAINTENANCE AND SOFTWARE UPDATES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024...23-1019-003...APPROVED

Recommendation to approve Electronic Hardware Subscription Renewals for hardware maintenance and software updates for HP Care Packs on Hewlett Packard Equipment at the estimated not to exceed annual rate of \$14,000.00, for the period of 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2024, in compliance with the terms and conditions outlined in the electronic hardware and software subscriptions, and to authorize the County Auditor to remit payment upon submittal of the invoices and contingent upon the adoption of the Annual Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2024 and the issuance of the required purchase order.

3. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS/OFFICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION...ANNUAL ELECTRONIC SUBSCRIPTION MEMBERSHIP REQUESTS...APPROVED

Recommendation to approve the following electronic subscription membership requests between the County of Clermont, Ohio and the vendor, at the not to exceed amount and term as outlined below and to authorize the County Auditor to remit the payment(s) accordingly.

Vendor	Subscription	Not to Exceed Amount	Term
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Adobe Stock 345 Park Avenue San Jose, CA 95110 DC# 23-1024-001	Stock photos to enhance county newsletters, flyers, brochures, social media, etc.	\$359.88	10/12/2023 to 10/11/2024
Archive Social P.O. Box 3330 Durham, North Carolina 27702 DC# 23-1024-002	Social Media Records Archiving System	\$7,188.00	01/01/2024 to 12/31/2024
Constant Contact 1601 Trapelo Road Waltham, MA 05451 DC# 23-1024-003	County Newsletter Design Tool	\$1,500.00	01/01/2024 to 12/31/2024

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 BUILDING AND INSPECTION DEPARTMENT

Aaron Prescott – 3 days – St. Louis, Missouri – International Code Council Conference and Expo - total expenses for lodging (\$927.24), meals (\$192.00) and registration (\$790.00), estimated not to exceed \$1,909.24.

CLERMONT COUNTY COMMON PLEAS COURT

Judge Victor M. Haddad – 4 days – Dublin, Ohio – Ohio Common Pleas Judges Association Winter Conference – total expenses for lodging (\$405.00), meals (\$256.00), mileage (\$161.13), registration (\$400.00) and other (\$80.00), estimated not to exceed \$1,302.13

CLERMONT COUNTY HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

Sandra Tahat – 1 day – Westerville, Ohio – Fishel Downey Albrecht & Ripenhoff LLP – Labor and Employment Law Seminar – total expenses for mileage (\$131.00), and registration (\$175.00), estimated not to exceed \$306.00

CLERMONT COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT

Judge Jesse B. Kramig – 60 days – Batavia, Ohio – Ohio Bar Association Training – total expenses for registration (\$270.00), estimated not to exceed \$270.00

CLERMONT COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER

W. Stephen Haynes – 2 days – New Albany, Ohio – 15th Annual County Public Defender Summit – total expenses for lodging (\$162.36), meals (\$118.00), and mileage (\$168.99), estimated not to exceed \$449.35

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Thomas J. Eigel and Greg Bickford – 1 day – Columbus, Ohio – County Commissioners Association of Ohio (CCAO) Winter Conference – total expenses for mileage (\$91.05), and registration (\$700.00), estimated not to exceed \$791.05

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	Probate Court FRINGE BENEFITS 1000 - 02 - 15 - 301000 - 520000 -	Probate Court OVERTIME 1000 - 02 - 15 - 301000 - 512100 -	\$ 2,000.00
MUNI CT INTENSIVE PROBATION	Muni Court Intensive Probation REGULAR SALARY 2211 - 04 - 12 - 363000 - 511200 -	Muni Court Intensive Probation FRINGE BENEFITS 2211 - 04 - 12 - 363000 - 520000 -	\$ 1,065.99
GENERAL FUND	County Coroner OTHER EXPENSES 1000 - 04 - 10 - 391000 - 530000 -	County Coroner TEMPORARY 1000 - 04 - 10 - 391000 - 511800 -	\$ 7,000.00
GENERAL FUND	Clerk of Municipal Court FRINGE BENEFITS 1000 - 02 - 06 - 321000 - 520000 -	Clerk of Municipal Court OTHER EXPENSES 1000 - 02 - 06 - 321000 - 530000 -	\$ 15,000.00

REIMBURSEMENT OF FUNDS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023

FROM: FUND - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	TO: FUND - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT REIMBURSEMENTS OUT SPEC REV 2404 - 06 - 01 - 087000 - 703200 -	PUBLIC ASSISTANCE REIMBURSEMENTS IN FROM SP REV 2401 - 06 - 01 - 081000 - 483200 -	\$ 45,606.88
CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT REIMBURSEMENTS OUT SPEC REV 2403 - 06 - 01 - 086000 - 703200 -	PUBLIC ASSISTANCE OPERATING TRF IN FROM GEN FUND 2401 - 06 - 01 - 081000 - 480100 -	\$ 119,016.34

CASH TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023

FROM: FUND - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	TO: FUND - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
GENERAL FUND TRANSFERS OUT TO SPEC REV 1000 - 06 - 01 - 035328 - 700200 -	PUBLIC ASSISTANCE OPERATING TRF IN FROM GEN FUND 2401 - 06 - 01 - 081000 - 480100 -	\$ 101,395.50
GENERAL FUND TRANSFERS OUT TO SPEC REV 1000 - 06 - 01 - 035328 - 700200 -	CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT OPERATING TRF IN FROM GEN FUND 2403 - 06 - 01 - 086000 - 480100 -	\$ 85,000.00

CASH ADVANCE OF FUNDS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023

FROM: FUND - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	TO: FUND - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
GENERAL FUND ADVANCES OUT TO INT SERVICE 1000 - 01 - 01 - 032329 - 702700 -	FLEET MAINTENANCE ADVANCES IN FROM GENERAL FUND 8002 - 00 - 01 - 176000 - 482100 -	\$ 40,000.00

REPAY AS CASH FLOW PERMITS

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

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

NON-CONSENT AGENDA

7. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION NUMBER 152-23/PAYMENT OF BILLS...APPROVED

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

Recommendation that the Board of County Commissioners adopt **Resolution Number 152-23** resolving to approve payment to vendors **in the total amount of \$2,023,534.06** as set forth in the BCC Approval Invoice Report for Checks dated **November 1, 2023**, BCC Directed Pre-Paid Invoices Report(s) and/or the Procurement Card Transaction Report as presented by the County Auditor on **10/30/2023**, 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 Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

8. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION NUMBER 153-23 AUTHORIZING THE USE OF BID EXPRESS ONLINE BIDDING PORTAL FOR ALL REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS, REQUESTS FOR BIDS, AND REQUESTS FOR STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS RELATED TO COUNTY PURCHASES OR CONTRACTS...23-1025-001...ADOPTED

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

Recommendation to adopt **Resolution Number 153-23** to execute a contract with Bid Express for an online bidding portal for requests for proposals, requests for bids, and requests for statements of qualifications and to accept electronic signatures submitted through Bid Express as part of such submissions.

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

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

9. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...REQUEST TO ADVERTISE FOR COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSALS FOR AN ENTERPRISE GRADE VIDEO MANAGEMENT SYSTEM PURSUANT TO AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 307.862 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE...23-1018-003...APPROVED

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

Recommendation to approve the request to advertise for the **Request of Competitive Sealed Proposals for an Enterprise Grade Video Management System (VMS) for the Clermont County Board of Commissioners**, pursuant to the specifications and to authorize the Clerk of the Board to place a Legal Notice in a newspaper of general circulation for two consecutive weeks commencing on 11/09/2023, scheduling a non-mandatory Pre-Proposal Meeting on Thursday, December 7,

2023, at 2:00 P.M. Local Time in the Clermont County Board of Commissioners Office, 3rd Floor, 101 East Main Street Batavia, OH, 45103-2960, with *Proposals to be received until 2:00 P.M. Local Time on Thursday, 12/14/2023 in the Office of the Board of County Commissioners*, 101 East Main Street, Batavia, Ohio, 45103-2960, where they will be publicly opened and acknowledged thereafter, pursuant to and in compliance with Section 307.862 of the Ohio Revised Code. This notice will also be distributed by electronic means as authorized by R.C. 307.87 and posted on Clermont County's website at the following URL link: www.clermontcountyohio.gov and may also be distributed by other electronic procurement means as deemed necessary.

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

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

10. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ...RESOLUTION 154-23 AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO JOIN AND PARTICIPATE AS A MEMBER OF THE OUTDOOR RECREATION COUNCIL OF APPALACHIA (ORCA), A REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE CHAPTER 167...23-1023-001...ADOPTED

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

Recommendation to adopt **Resolution 154-23** to authorize the Board of County Commissioners to join and participate as a member of the Outdoor Recreation Council of Appalachia (ORCA), a regional council of governments established pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 167, for purposes of the pursuit and administration of outdoor recreation, conservation, and economic development of Ohio's Appalachian corridor in a way that strengthens and inspires Southeast Ohio communities.

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

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

11. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY 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...23-1023-002...APPROVED

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

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 in Exhibit A, changing the pay range of the Family and Children First (FCF) Administrator, Class Number 39865, from Pay Range D to Pay Range C, effective upon approval, and further to authorize the update of the appropriate internet links and appendices accordingly.

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Painter asked to clarify FCF for the people at home. Mrs. Brandenburg said Family and Children First.

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

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

12. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY FACILITIES MANAGEMENT...EXTENSION OF CONTRACT FOR SERVICES FOR JANITORIAL SERVICES...21-1029-

001...EXECUTED

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

Recommendation to execute the *Extension of Contracts for Janitorial Services* with vendors and terms as listed below, pursuant to Section 16 of the Contract for Janitorial Services, previously ratified by the Board of County Commissioners on November 3, 2021, for buildings listed therein, which represents the second of two available one-year renewal options, with all other terms and conditions of the referenced Contract for Services to remain in full force and effect and *contingent upon the release of the required purchase order.*

Vendor	Term
UBM Enterprise, Inc. 11102 Ables Lane Dallas, Texas 75229	11/04/2023 to 11/03/2024
GSF-USA 9850 Princeton Glendale Road, Suite B Cincinnati, Ohio 45246	11/04/2023 to 11/03/2024

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: Chris Turner, Assistant Director, Facilities Maintenance, asked the Board for permission to run the Operation Greenlight program for the county buildings for the entire month of November. The Board agreed.

13. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES ...ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSAL FROM GARMANN MILLER & ASSOCIATES, INC. AND EXECUTION OF THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR THE WRITTEN SPECIFICATIONS, PLANS, AND ESTIMATES FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF NEW 65KW GENERATORS AT FIVE CLERMONT COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO TOWER SITES...23-0804-003...EXECUTED

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

Recommendation to accept *the Proposal from Garmann Miller & Associates, Inc.*, dated 09/07/2023, for engineering services in response to the *Request for Statement of Qualifications* for the purchase and installation of new generators located at the Moscow, Mt. Carmel, Pierce, Chilo, and Mt. Repose Tower Sites and to execute the *Professional Services Agreement* between the Clermont County Board of County Commissioners and Garmann Miller & Associates, Inc., 38 South Lincoln Drive, P.O. Box 71, Minster, Ohio 45865, for a total cost not to exceed \$50,000.00, with services to be completed within 730 calendar days of the receipt of signed contract and notice to proceed, all pursuant to Section 153.67 of the Ohio Revised Code and in compliance with the terms and conditions of the agreement and *contingent upon the release of the requested 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: CLERMONT COUNTY ENGINEER...CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 1 AND FINAL TO THE CONTRACT WITH SUNESIS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR PROJECT NO. GO-03-21 RELATIVE TO THE GOSHEN ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT C57-4.97 LOCATED IN GOSHEN TOWNSHIP...22-1206-010...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 Change Order Number 1 and Final to the Contract with Sunesis Construction Company, 2610 Crescentville Road, West Chester, Ohio 45069, relative to the Goshen Road Bridge Replacement C57-4.97 located in Goshen Township, which represents an increase in the amount of \$34,236.02, for a total adjusted contract price to date of \$771,748.43 for additions, deletions and/or modifications.

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

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

15. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT... RESOLUTION NUMBER 155-23 AMENDING RESOLUTION NUMBER 114-23 FOR PROJECT NUMBER 6401-60211 FOR THE BMW BULK CHEMICAL TANK REPLACEMENT PROJECT; DETERMINING TO PROCEED WITH THE REVISED DETAILED PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATE OF COST AND FINANCING; AND APPROVAL OF THE REQUEST TO RE-ADVERTISE FOR BIDS...23-0714-004...ADOPTED

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

Recommendation to adopt **Resolution Number 155-23** to amend Resolution Number 114-23, which determined to make improvements relative to the construction, operation, and maintenance of Project Number 6401-60211 for the BMW Bulk Chemical Tank Replacement Project located in Batavia Township, previously adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on 08/09/2023, to determine to make said improvements and proceed with the revised detailed plans, specifications and estimate of cost and financing; to approve the request to re-advertise for bids for Project Number 6401-60211 pursuant to the revised detailed plans and specifications; and to authorize the Clerk of the Board to place a Legal Notice in a newspaper of general circulation on Thursday, 11/09/2023, scheduling a non-mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting on 11/30/2023 at 2:00 P.M., with bids to be received until **2:00 P.M. Local Time on Thursday, 12/07/2023**, 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: www.clermontcountyohio.gov.

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

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

16. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT...AWARD OF BID AND EXECUTION OF CONTRACT FOR PROJECT NUMBER 6401-60206 FOR THE BUSINESS 28 WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT (PART 2) LOCATED IN MIAMI TOWNSHIP...23-0728-001...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 6401-60206 for the Business 28 Water Main Replacement Project (Part 2) located in Miami Township, pursuant to the plans and specifications, to Prus Construction Company, 5325 Wooster Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45226, for the lowest and best bid received on 09/14/2023, at the item prices as outlined therein, for a total amount not to exceed \$949,768.00, 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 Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

17. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT... CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH CLEAR CONSULTING, INC. FOR PROJECT NUMBER 6401-60241 FOR THE OLD STATE ROUTE 32 WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT LOCATED IN BATAVIA & WILLIAMSBURG TOWNSHIPS...23-1024-014...EXECUTED

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

Recommendation to execute a Contract for Professional Services between the Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio, and Clear Consulting, Inc., 280 E. Sharon Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45246, for Project Number 6401-60241 for design services for the Old State Route 32 Water Main Replacement Project located in Batavia & Williamsburg Townships, as outlined in Exhibit A from their proposal dated October 4, 2023, for a total amount not to exceed \$85,144.00, with said services to be completed within 266 consecutive calendar days upon issuance of a written Notice to Proceed from the Clermont County Water Resources Department, exclusive of County review time and contingent upon the release of the required Purchase Order.

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Batchler said if Water Resources continues, all the water mains will be replaced. Mr. Bloom agreed and said that is the goal.

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

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

18. 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	Treasurer RETIREMENT PAYOUT 1000 - 01 - 03 - 471000 - 513200 -	\$ 22,618.55
MOTOR VEHICLE AND GAS	Engineer OTHER EXPENSES 2601 - 03 - 09 - 511000 - 530000 -	\$ 1,189,000.00
GENERAL FUND	County Coroner REGULAR SALARY 1000 - 04 - 10 - 391000 - 511200 -	\$ 8,761.38
GENERAL FUND	Sheriff Civil Division BARGAINING UNIT - SALARY 1000 - 04 - 19 - 433000 - 511700 -	\$ 4,000.00
GENERAL FUND	Sheriff Court Services BARGAINING UNIT - SALARY 1000 - 04 - 19 - 434000 - 511700 -	\$ 48,000.00

GENERAL FUND	Sheriff Investigations	\$ 4,000.00
	REGULAR SALARY	
	1000 - 04 - 19 - 437000 - 511200 -	
GENERAL FUND	Sheriff Investigations	\$ 24,000.00
	BARGAINING UNIT - SALARY	
	1000 - 04 - 19 - 437000 - 511700 -	
GENERAL FUND	Sheriff Road Patrol	\$ 4,000.00
	REGULAR SALARY	
	1000 - 04 - 19 - 438000 - 511200 -	
GENERAL FUND	Sheriff Road Patrol	\$ 124,000.00
	BARGAINING UNIT - SALARY	
	1000 - 04 - 19 - 438000 - 511700 -	
GENERAL FUND	Sheriff Scales Program	\$ 4,000.00
	BARGAINING UNIT - SALARY	
	1000 - 04 - 19 - 439000 - 511700 -	
NARCOTICS UNIT	Clermont Co Drug Unit	\$ 8,000.00
	BARGAINING UNIT - SALARY	
	2502 - 04 - 19 - 443000 - 511700 -	
SHERIFF POLICING REVOLVING	Sheriff Contract Services	\$ 60,000.00
	BARGAINING UNIT - SALARY	
	2512 - 04 - 19 - 454000 - 511700 -	

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

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

LET THE RECORD SHOW: Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, said Item Number 19 is requesting the disposition of designation of certain unincorporated areas in Clermont County to be restricted relative to the construction of economically significant wind farms, large wind farms and large solar facilities pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 303.57 and 303.58 with the modifications that were discussed earlier today. The Board would need to recommend this, and we have a resolution prepared to modify the map as shown. If you have another direction for us, please let us know.

19. IN RE: RESOLUTION 156-23 AMENDING RESOLUTION 90-23 FOR THE DESIGNATION OF CERTAIN UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF CLERMONT COUNTY AS RESTRICTED RELATIVE TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF ECONOMICALLY SIGNIFICANT WIND FARMS, LARGE WIND FARMS, AND LARGE SOLAR FACILITIES PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 303.57 AND 303.58 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE TO INCLUDE FRANKLIN, GOSHEN, OHIO, AND UNION TOWNSHIPS...23-0505-004...ADOPTED

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

Recommendation to adopt **Resolution 156-23** amending Resolution 90-23 for the Designation of Certain Unincorporated Areas of Clermont County as Restricted Relative to the Construction of Economically Significant Wind Farms, Large Wind Farms, and Large Solar Facilities pursuant to Sections 303.57 and 303.58 of the Ohio Revised Code to that the restricted area shall include all unincorporated areas within Batavia Township, **Franklin** Township, **Goshen** Township, Jackson Township, Monroe Township, **Ohio** Township, Stonelick Township, Tate Township, **Union** Township, Washington Township and Williamsburg Township.

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Painter said we talked about this before, many, many times from this bench. In the political arena today in America, people want the government out of their lives; they don't want the government reaching into their lives and telling them what they can and cannot do with their property. This is a particular case where people who live in these townships want these projects restricted. Although it goes against my grain a little bit, I stand in representing those who elected me to office, and with the other commissioners here, that the people who live in these townships want these projects restricted, and I made the motion today to restrict those projects and

I'll continue to do so.

Commissioner Batchler said it's kind of hard to go against their wishes.

Commissioner Corcoran said she won't comment because of her appointment to the Ohio Power Siting Board for a particular case involving solar energy in Clermont County.

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 11/01/2023...23-0110-001...APPROVED

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

Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, asked the Board to consider adding a Personnel Action for Economic Development 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.

IN RE: PERSONNEL ACTIONS...APPROVED

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

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.

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 Corcoran and seconded by Commissioner Painter, to go into Executive Session at 10:48 a.m. pursuant to section 121.22 (G)(1) and (G)(4) of the Ohio Revised Code to 1) consider the employment or compensation of a public employee or more public employees; and 2) preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment.

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

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board of County Commissioners returned from Executive Session and resumed Regular Session at 11:14 a.m. after having 1) considered the employment or compensation of a public employee or more public employees and 2) prepared for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment, with no action taken and no decisions made.

COUNTY STAFF/ELECTED OFFICIALS DISCUSSION: No one requested to address the Board.

MEMBER COMMENTS: Commissioner Painter said there is PR (public relations) regarding Beckjord; the Board is aware and proactive in ensuring that the cleanup work at Beckjord is done sufficiently to have no impact on the environment or the groundwater.

Commissioner Painter further explained that we talk about this occasionally, and there might be some additional PR about the Beckjord cleanup project shortly. He is not 100% satisfied with the remediation work done to ensure that we have a clean site for re-industrialization. He stated any path forward could result in hazardous material associated with that ash being left in the floodplain and in contact with groundwater is not an acceptable path forward.

Commissioner Batchler said many people are working on that.

Commissioner Corcoran says daylight savings time ends on November 5th. She said on Saturday, November 4th, the Kiwanis Flags of Honor, celebrating our Veterans, will be displayed at the Clermont County Sheriff's Office, West Clermont High School, the Williamsburg Village Office, and Bethel Tate Middle School. Commissioner Corcoran encouraged residents to instill patriotism by bringing their children to see the flags until November 26, 2023.

Commissioner Painter said don't forget to get the green light bulbs up for Project Green Light, light your residents up; let's face it, we owe everything to our veterans.

Commissioner Batchler said she would have her veteran put their green light outside.

IN RE: ADJOURNMENT...APPROVED

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County Commissioners, noting no further business to come before the commission for legislative action, adjourned this Regular Session at 11:18 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 Corcoran, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes.

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11/08/2023
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