

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON DECEMBER 27, 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 **12/20/2023**.

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

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: No one requested to address the Board.

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 rByteDance-owned her 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: REQUESTS FROM VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS TO JOIN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF ROUTINE TRAVEL EXPENSES...APPROVED

Requests to join professional organizations and to authorize payment of the annual dues in the amounts outlined below for membership, pursuant to Section 325.21 of the Ohio Revised Code and to authorize reimbursement of **routine travel expenses** associated (*excluding expenses for overnight accommodations, meals for more than one day, registration fees, tuition, and/or transportation by common carrier*) pursuant to the policies and procedures of the Board of County Commissioners and in compliance with the Annual Appropriations for Calendar Year 2024 and any amendments:

| Elected Official or Department/Employee | Organization | Annual Dues | Term |
|---|---|-------------|-------------------------------------|
| Clermont County Sheriff Sheriff Robert S. Leahy and/or Staff DC# 23-1219-001 | ALICE Instructor Certification (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate) | \$30.00 | 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2024 |
| | American Correctional Association | \$300.00 | 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2024 |
| | American Jail Association | \$180.00 | 01/01/2023 through |

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| | American Society for Industrial Security (ASIS) International | \$195.00 | 12/31/2024 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2024 |
| | Buckeye State Sheriff's Association | \$6,276.00 | 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2024 |
| | Clermont County Police Chief's and Sheriff's Association | \$100.00 | 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2024 |
| | Hamilton County Police Association | \$175.00 | 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2024 |
| | International Association for Property and Evidence | \$130.00 | 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2024 |
| | Law Enforcement Executive Department Association (LEEDA) | \$50.00 | 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2024 |
| | Middle Atlantic-Great Lakes Organized Crime Law Enforcement Network (MAGLOCLLEN) | \$400.00 | 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2024 |
| | National Sheriff's Association | \$344.00 | 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2024 |
| | Ohio School Resource Officers Association | \$275.00 | 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2024 |
| | Ohio Task Force Commanders Association | \$550.00 | 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2024 |
| | Southwestern Ohio Chapter of MADD | \$150.00 | 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2024 |
| | Staples Premium Purchasing Program | \$299.00 | 01/01/2023 through 12/31/2023 |
| | National Association of Computer Voice Stress Analysts (NACVSA) | \$475.00 | 01/01/2023 through 12/31/2023 |
| | National Tactical Officer's Association (NTOA) | \$450.00 | 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2024 |
| Clermont County Engineer Sukie Scheetz and/or staff DC# 23-1220-001 | County Engineer's Assoc. of Ohio, including the following: 2023 NACE Membership 2023 Hannah Report Membership 2023 American Road & Transportation Builders Association | \$8,000.00 | 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2024 |
| | American Public Works Association | \$950.00 | 09/01/2024 through 08/31/2025 |
| | Clermont County Township Association | \$40.00 | 01/01/2024 through |

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|--|--|----------|-------------------------------------|
| | | | 12/31/2024 |
| | American Society of Highway Engineers | \$200.00 | 06/01/2024 through 05/31/2025 |
| | Professional Land Surveyors of Ohio | \$800.00 | 07/01/2024 through 06/31/2025 |
| | Southwest Ohio Purchasers 4 Government (SWOP4G) | \$50.00 | 04/01/2024 through 03/31/2025 |
| | WTS-Advancing Women in Transportation | \$180.00 | 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2024 |

2. IN RE: BLANKET TRAVEL REQUESTS FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF ELIGIBLE ROUTINE TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR PARTICIPATION IN MEETINGS, ORGANIZATIONS AND/OR PROGRAMS DURING CALENDAR YEAR 2023...APPROVED

Recommendation to approve the following blanket travel requests for reimbursement of eligible expenses for participation by the following Department and/or Staff, as it relates to reimbursement of routine travel expenses (excluding expenses for overnight accommodations, meals for more than one day, registration fees, tuition, and/or transportation by common carrier) relative to all meetings, organizations and/or programs during Calendar Year 2023, pursuant to the current policy for Reimbursement of Travel Expenses (Section 4.08) adopted by the Board of County Commissioners and in compliance with the Annual Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2023 and any amendments as outlined below:

| Elected Official/Department | Meetings, Organizations and/or Programs |
|---|--|
| Clermont County Sheriff's Office Sheriff Robert S. Leahy and/or Staff DC#23-1218-002 | ALICE Training Institute American Heart Association American Jail Association American Red Cross BCI Lab Bethel Tate High School Blue Ash Firehouse Brown County Sheriff Buckeye State Sheriff's Association (in and around Columbus/Cincinnati) Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms Butler County Sheriff Butler Tech Calibre Press Training Chiefs & Sheriff's Association Child Fatality Review Board Meetings Cincinnati Fusion Center Meetings (various locations out of County Cincinnati Police Department Clermont County Mental Health and Recovery Board Clermont Northeastern High School Clermont Recovery Center Clinton County Sheriff Coalition for Drug Free Clermont County Domestic Violence Task Force Columbus Police Crime Stoppers DART Department of Veterans Affairs Dive Rescue International Environmental Protection Agency FBI FEMA FEMA — Anniston Alabama Franklin County Sheriff's Office Gang Intelligence Group Great Oaks Career Campuses (Diamond-Laurel-Live-Scarlet) Hamilton County Courts |

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| | Hamilton County EMA or VOA Park in West Chester Hamilton County Lab Hamilton County Police Association Meetings Hamilton County Sheriff Interact for Health Cincinnati Loveland Police Department Loveland-Symmes Fire Department Methamphetamine Remediation Mobile Comm (Deer Park) New Richmond High School Northern Kentucky Drug Task Force Ohio Attorney General's Office Ohio Department of Natural Resources Ohio Jail Advisory Board Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission/London, OH & Richfield OH Campus Ohio School Safety Center Ohio State Patrol Ohio Task Force Commander's Association (OTFCA) Opiate Task Force RENU Sig Sauer Academy Tactical Defense Institute Task Force One University of Cincinnati US Department of Homeland Security US Department of Justice US Marshalls Service Warren County Sheriff West Clermont High School Wildey School YWCA of Greater Cincinnati |
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3. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY CORONER...MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE HAMILTON COUNTY CORONER FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATIVE TO EXPERT FORENSIC PATHOLOGY EXAMINATIONS AND FORENSIC TOXICOLOGY AND HISTOLOGY EVALUATIONS AS REQUIRED FOR THE DETERMINATION OF THE CAUSE OF DEATH OR REFERRED DECEDENTS...23-1214-003...EXECUTED

Recommendation to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the Clermont County Coroner, 2277 Bauer Road, Batavia, Ohio 45103 and the Hamilton County Coroner, 4477 Carver Woods Drive, Blue Ash, Ohio 45242 for the provision of expert forensic pathology examinations and forensic toxicology and history evaluations as required for the determination of the cause of death of the decedents so referred, with said services and the costs, effective for the period of 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2024 and which may be extended by mutual written agreement, in compliance with the terms and conditions and with the understanding that the Hamilton County Coroner will execute the same document by and through the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners.

4. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY COMMON PLEAS CLERK OF COURTS...SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH COURTVIEW JUSTICE SOLUTIONS, INC. DBA EQUIVANT FOR SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR THE CLERK OF COMMON PLEAS COURT, THE CLERK OF MUNICIPAL COURT, COMMON PLEAS ADULT PROBATION DEPARTMENT AND THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS/DIVISION OF PROBATE AND JUVENILE COURTS...23-1109-006...EXECUTED

Recommendation to authorize Bonnie J. Batchler, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to execute a Software Maintenance Agreement between the county of Clermont, Ohio, and Courtview Justice Solutions, Inc. DBA Equivant, 4450 Belden Village St. NW, Suite 305, Canton, Ohio 44718, for the provision of software maintenance services for the Clerk of

Common Pleas Court, the Clerk of Municipal Court, the Common Pleas Adult Probation Department, and the Court of Common Pleas/Division of Probate and Juvenile Courts and further to authorize the Board of County Commissioners to execute the Maintenance Rider for Software Agreements for a total amount not to exceed \$297,064.89, effective 01/01/2024 to 12/31/2024, in compliance with the terms and conditions set forth and contingent upon the receipt of the required purchase order.

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 ENGINEER

Craig Risner, Jeremy Evans, and Steve Case – 1 day – Owensville, Ohio – CPD Seminar for Professional Surveyors – total expenses for registration (\$555.00), estimated not to exceed \$555.00.

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...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 |
|--|--|--|---------------------|
| DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES | Bd of Developmental Disabilities OTHER EXPENSES 7000 - 06 - 23 - 010001 - 530000 - | Bd of Developmental Disabilities REGULAR SALARY 7000 - 06 - 23 - 010001 - 511200 - | \$ 50,000.00 |
| DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES | Bd of Developmental Disabilities OTHER EXPENSES 7000 - 06 - 23 - 010001 - 530000 - | Bd of Developmental Disabilities BARGAINING UNIT - SALARY 7000 - 06 - 23 - 010001 - 511700 - | \$ 50,000.00 |
| GENERAL FUND | Information Systems Division REGULAR SALARY 1000 - 01 - 01 - 102000 - 511200 - | Information Systems Division RETIREMENT PAYOUT 1000 - 01 - 01 - 102000 - 513200 - | \$ 20.00 |
| MUNI CT INTENSIVE PROBATION | Muni Court Intensive Probation REGULAR SALARY 2211 - 04 - 12 - 363000 - 511200 - | Muni Court Intensive Probation OTHER EXPENSES 2211 - 04 - 12 - 363000 - 530000 - | \$ 350.00 |

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

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

NON-CONSENT AGENDA

8. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION NUMBER 183-23 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 183-23** resolving to approve payment to vendors **in the total amount of \$1,776,905.98** as set forth in the BCC Approval Invoice Report for Checks dated **December 27, 2023**, BCC Directed Pre-Paid Invoices Report(s) and/or the Procurement Card Transaction Report as presented by the County Auditor on **12/22/2023**, 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.

9. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY ENGINEER...CHANGE ORDER #2 TO THE CONTRACT WITH BARRETT PAVING MATERIALS, INC., FOR PROJECT RS-01-23 RELATIVE TO THE 2023 ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAM, LOCATED IN VARIOUS TOWNSHIPS AND MUNICIPALITIES...23-0124-001...EXECUTED

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

Recommendation to **execute Change Order #2 as part of the contract with Barrett Paving Materials, Inc.**, 3751 Commerce Drive, Middletown, Ohio 45005, previously ratified by the Board on 3/29/2023, for Project Number RS-01-23 relative to the **2023 Road Resurfacing Program** located in various townships and municipalities, which represents a decrease of \$95,921.25 for the repairs and resurfacing of county roads, for a total adjusted contract price to date of \$6,777,905.50 for additions, deletions and/or modifications thereto as defined therein

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Painter asked Sukie Scheetz, Director, Clermont County Engineer, if she knew the percentage of how many roads are now repaved in Clermont County since the repaving program has been stepped up for the last few years. She said she didn't have the number today but she would certainly provide the Board with that number.

Commissioner Batchler stated how amazing it is driving on our county roads now and what they used to look like. The improvements are quite significant.

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 ENGINEER...RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ENGINEER TO EMPLOY LABOR, PURCHASE MATERIALS AND PROCEED BY FORCE ACCOUNT IN THE MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, CONSTRUCTION OR RECONSTRUCTION OF ROADS, BRIDGES, CULVERTS AND DITCHES IN CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO...23-1215-001...ADOPTED

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County

Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation to adopt **Resolution Number 184-23 authorizing the County Engineer to employ labor, purchase materials,, and proceed by force account in the maintenance, repair, construction, or reconstruction of roads, bridges, culverts and ditches in Clermont County, Ohio during Fiscal Year 2024**, with the County Engineer to prepare the estimates of cost before proceeding with each project using the force account assessment form developed by the Auditor of State, pursuant to Section 5543.19 of the Ohio Revised Code; prepare the estimates of cost before proceeding with ditch projects, pursuant to Section 6137.05 of the Ohio Revised Code and when a road work estimate is to exceed \$3,000.00 per mile the actual force account cost will be provided to the Board of County Commissioners pursuant to Section 5555.72 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: CLERMONT COUNTY FLEET MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT ...RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY FOR PURCHASE OF MOTOR VEHICLES FOR THE USE OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, ANY COUNTY DEPARTMENT, BOARD, COMMISSION, OFFICE, AGENCY, ANY ELECTED COUNTY OFFICIAL OR ANY COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS' EMPLOYEES...23-1212-003...ADOPTED

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

Recommendation to adopt **Resolution Number 185-23** resolving to declare the necessity to purchase 49 new motor vehicles at an estimated price of \$2,730,595.00 from funds appropriated for Calendar Year 2024, 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.

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Painter asked Wayne Prescott of Fleet Management if they are sending 49 old cars away and he said it would be close to it. The new vehicles would be renewing or replacing mostly sheriff vehicles.

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 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT...EXECUTE SUBRECIPIENT GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF BETHEL FOR THE PROJECT IN CONCERT WITH THE 2022 CLERMONT COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM...23-1215-002...EXECUTED

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

Recommendation to execute the following Subrecipient Grant Agreement between the Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio, and the following political subdivision for funding in concert with the 2022 Clermont County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program as outlined below:

| Subrecipient | Address | CDBG Project Name | Funding Amount | Contract Term |
|-------------------|---|--|----------------|--------------------------------|
| Village of Bethel | 120 North Main Street Bethel, Ohio 45106 | Village of Bethel Paving of Residential Streets Project CDBG-2022-02 | \$200,000.00 | 03/01/2023 to 02/28/2024 |

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

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

13. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY...AMENDMENT NUMBER 3 TO THE AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION FOR EXTENSION OF THE LEASE OF THE EXPERIMENTAL STREAM FACILITY (ESF) LOCATED AT 1003 US 50, MILFORD, OHIO AND ACCEPTANCE OF ATTACHMENT 4 AND 5...10-1103-001...EXECUTED

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

Recommendation to authorize Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, to electronically execute Amendment Number 3 to the Agreement between Clermont County, Ohio, and the United States of America General Services Administration, 230 S. Dearborn St., Rm. 3300, Chicago, IL 60604, previously ratified by the Board of County Commissioners on 11/17/2010 and subsequently amended on 4/04/2018 and 8/11/2020, and to extend the lease of the Experimental Stream Facility (ESF) located at 1003 US 50, Milford, Ohio, through 8/31/2024, in the amount of \$50,000.00 per year, including amendments A-D and adding Clauses 52.204-25 and 52.204-27 to the Lease, identified in the Lease Amendment #3 and as Attachments 4 and 5 entitled "Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment" and "Prohibition on a ByteDance Covered Application", attached thereto and made a part thereof, pursuant to the terms and conditions with all other terms and conditions of the original Agreement to remain in full force and effect.

DISCUSSION: Hannah Lubbers, Director, Office of Environment Quality discussed the reason for the lease extension and the added amendments. The purpose is to stop the lessor and lessee from using any TikTok or ByteDance owned products in the protected area. This will also ensure that no Huawei products are used on the property, as this is now a condition of all government leases.

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

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

14. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...DESIGNATION OF A REPRESENTATIVE TO ATTEND THE NEXT MENTAL HEALTH AND RECOVERY BOARD MEETING REGARDING THE COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD...23-1227-001...APPROVED

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

Recommendation to designate Commissioner Claire B. Corcoran, to attend the Clermont County Mental Health and Recovery Board Meeting on January 8, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the composition of the board in compliance with Section 304.02 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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

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

15. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...DESIGNATION OF REAPPOINTMENT TO SERVE ON THE CLERMONT COUNTY LAW LIBRARY RESOURCES BOARD...23-1128-003...APPROVED

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Corcoran, that the Board of County

Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of the Clermont County Law Library Resources Board to reappoint **Marshall McCachran**, 4197 S. Gensen Loop, Cincinnati, Ohio 45245 to serve on the Clermont County Law Library Resources Board, for his second full term, effective 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2028, pursuant to and in compliance with Section 307.511 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: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...DESIGNATION OF PREVAILING WAGE COORDINATOR FOR THE COUNTY OF CLERMONT DURING CALENDAR YEAR 2024...23-1130-006...APPROVED

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

Recommendation to appoint **Mary K. Rains** to serve as Prevailing Wage Coordinator for Clermont County relative to public improvements administered by various offices and departments, including but not limited to, the Clermont County Engineer, Clermont County Water Resources Department, Clermont County Department of Community and Economic Development, Clermont County Facilities Management Department and the Board of County Commissioners, and in compliance with Chapter 4115 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: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...REAPPOINTMENT OF COUNTY APIARY INSPECTOR FOR THE COUNTY OF CLERMONT, OHIO, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024...23-1201-008...APPROVED

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

Recommendation to reappoint **Jeff Harris**, 210 South George Road, Clarksville, Ohio 45113 to serve as the County Apiary Inspector for the County of Clermont, Ohio, for Fiscal Year 2024, and to establish the rate of compensation at \$20.00 per hour, with reimbursement for mileage at the maximum current rate established by the Internal Revenue Service in accordance with the current Travel Policy adopted by the Board of County Commissioners, and in compliance with Section 909.07 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.

18. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS ...AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...23-1221-008...APPROVED

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

Recommendation to authorize Diana Owens, Court Administrator, Clermont County Court of Common Pleas to sign required contracts and/or agreements upon review and approval of the Prosecutor's Office in regard to criminal cases 2019 CR 000349, 2023 CR 000038, and 2023 CR 000407.

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

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

19. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF TATE TOWNSHIP RELATIVE TO THE VACATION OF PORTIONS OF CASE ROAD IN TATE TOWNSHIP AND TO ESTABLISH THE DATE, TIME, AND LOCATION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING PURSUANT TO SECTION 5553.045 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE...23-1219-002...APPROVED

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

Recommendation to acknowledge the Board of County Commissioners received a copy of Resolution 121223 on 12/19/2023 as adopted by the Board of Trustees of Tate Township on 12/12/2023, requesting the Board of County Commissioners to vacate portions of Case Road situated in Tate Township, in compliance with Section 5553.045 of the Ohio Revised Code and to establish the date, time and location of the Public Hearing for Wednesday, January 24, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. in the Office of the Board of Clermont County Commissioners, 101 East Main Street, Batavia, Ohio 45103-2960.

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

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

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> |
|----------------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| FLEET MAINTENANCE | Fleet Maintenance | \$ (56,000.00) |
| | OTHER EXPENSES | |
| | 8002 - 00 - 01 - 176000 - 530000 - | |
| PUBLIC ASSISTANCE | Job & Family Service Admin | \$(1,612,000.00) |
| | OTHER EXPENSES | |
| | 2401 - 06 - 01 - 081000 - 530000 - | |
| CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT | Child Support Enforcement | \$ (329,000.00) |
| | OTHER EXPENSES | |
| | 2403 - 06 - 01 - 086000 - 530000 - | |

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Painter asked if the reduction in the Public Assistance Administration funding was because they were overfunded or were not providing enough services for 2023. Ms. Akers, Assistant Budget Director, Office of Management and Budget said it was not necessarily overfunded but more understaffed.

Commissioner Corcoran said she thinks this will turn around in the next year, as there is a lot of overtime right now to catch up and put the department in a better place. Ms. Akers agreed this happened but stated she would check with the department to make sure.

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. No additional agenda items.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion by Commissioner Corcoran and seconded by Commissioner Painter to go into Executive Session at 10:22 a.m. pursuant to section 121.22 (G)(1) of the Ohio Revised Code to consider the employment or compensation of a public employee or more public employees, respectively.

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 11:17 a.m. after having considered the employment or compensation of a public employee or more public employees, with no action taken and no decisions made.

COUNTY STAFF/ELECTED OFFICIALS DISCUSSION: Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, spoke to the Board regarding the Budget Commission and the presentation of the Annual Tax Budget Estimated Resources and Appropriations. Mr. Bickford stated townships can waive this process. The process for the county begins in April with the presentation of estimated tax revenues to the Budget Commission. The County Commissioners may waive the requirement of estimated resources to be presented to the Budget Commission. Mr. Bickford stated that this is no longer required and the County should do away with the process.

Commissioner Painter said he agrees that it forces the County to provide information that is estimated and not real numbers. Greg Bickford asked the Board to consider adding a motion to waive the Annual Tax Budget.

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

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

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

IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...WAIVE THE TAX BUDGET FOR A DURATION OF FIVE YEARS...23-1227-002...APPROVED

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

Recommendation that the Clermont County Board of Commissioners waive the presentation of

the Annual Tax Budget to the Budget Commission for a duration of five years.

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

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

MEMBER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Batchler thanked the Board for allowing her to be President of the Board for the past 2 years. Commissioner Painter and Commissioner Corcoran both agreed that she had done a great job.

The Board wished everyone a Happy New Year.

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 11:23 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.

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CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO**

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01/08/2023
DATE APPROVED