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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WARREN COUNTY, OHIO

MINUTES: Regular Session - November 8, 2011

The Board met in regular session pursuant to adjournment of the November 3, 2011, meeting.

David G. Young - present

Pat Arnold South - present

Tom Ariss - present

Tina Davis, Clerk - present

Minutes of the November 3, 2011 meeting were read and approved.

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11-1551	A resolution was adopted to designate Family and Medical Leave of Absence to Jennifer Carman, Administrative Assistant, within the Job and Family Services, Children Services Division. Vote: Unanimous
11-1552	A resolution was adopted to designate Family and Medical Leave of Absence to Mysty Noe, Administrative Assistant, within the Building Services Department. Vote: Unanimous
11-1553	A resolution was adopted to designate Family and Medical Leave of Absence to Nathan Harper, Dog Warden, within the Warren County Dog and Kennel. Vote: Unanimous
11-1554	A resolution was adopted to designate Family and Medical Leave of Absence to Tom Maloney, Building Inspection Supervisor, within the Building and Zoning Department. Vote: Unanimous
11-1555	A resolution was adopted to approve County Motor Vehicle Tax (CVT-316) for the Village of Maineville in the amount of \$10,000.00. Vote: Unanimous

11-1556	A resolution was adopted to declare various items within, Telecommunications, Prosecutor's Office, Clerk of Courts and Sheriff's Office, as surplus and authorize the disposal of said items. Vote: Unanimous
11-1557	A resolution was adopted to affirm "Then and Now" requests pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 5705.41(D) (1). Vote: Unanimous
11-1558	A resolution was adopted to approve Bond Reduction for Keever Creek, LLC for completion of improvements in Estates of Keever Creek, situated in Turtlecreek Township. Vote: Unanimous
11-1559	A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Decreases within various Funds. Vote: Unanimous
11-1560	A resolution was adopted to accept an Amended Certificate and approve an Appropriation Decrease for Prosecutor Donation Fund #254. Vote: Unanimous
11-1561	A resolution was adopted to approve an Appropriation Adjustment within Building Services Fund #101-1600. Vote: Unanimous
11-1562	A resolution was adopted to approve an Appropriation Adjustment within Building Services Fund #467. Vote: Unanimous
11-1563	A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustments within Telecom Funds #101-2810, #101-2812 and #492. Vote: Unanimous
11-1564	A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustment within Common Pleas Court Fund #101-1220. Vote: Unanimous
11-1565	A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustment within Telecom Fund #101-2812
11-1566	A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustments within Building and Zoning Inspection Fund #101-2300. Vote: Unanimous
11-1567	A resolution was adopted to authorize payment of Bills. Vote: Unanimous
11-1568	A resolution was adopted ordering Detachment of Territory from the City of Lebanon and Attachment or Annexation of the Territory to the Unincorporated Territory of Turtlecreek Township, Warren County, Ohio. Vote: Unanimous
11-1569	A resolution was adopted to cancel regularly scheduled Commissioners' Meeting of Thursday, November 10, 2011. Vote: Unanimous

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11-1570

A resolution was adopted to approve Intent to Lease 210 West Main Street Lebanon, Ohio from Mental Health Recovery Services of Warren and Clinton Counties, approve Intent to Exchange the 204-212 Cook Road Lebanon, Ohio property owned by the Board of Commissioners for the 210 West Main Street Lebanon, Ohio property and authorize the County Administrator to sign all documents relative to the Lease Agreement and Property Exchange.

Vote: Unanimous

DISCUSSIONS

On motion, upon unanimous call of the roll, the Board accepted and approved the consent agenda.

The Board met this 8th day of November 2011, in the Commissioners' Meeting Room to consider the petition of Mark Florence, Agent, to detach 1.0224 acres from the City of Lebanon to annex to Turtlecreek Township, Warren County, Ohio.

Mr. Florence stated that both the City of Lebanon and the Township Trustees have agreed to this detachment. He explained that the owners of record (Steven and Kathleen Henry) traded land with the Cit of Lebanon to accommodate a roadway project and part of the agreement was to detach the portion of land from the City that the Henry's now own.

The Clerk acknowledged that all matters required by law have been complied with.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry, property owners, were present to show their support for the petition to detach from the City of Lebanon.

Upon further discussion, the Board resolved (Resolution #11-1568) to ordering the detachment of 1.0224 acres from the City of Lebanon and attachment or annexation of the 1.0224 acres to the unincorporated territory of Turtlecreek Township, Warren County, Ohio.

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John Lazares, Superintendent of the Warren County Educational Services Center (ESC), was present along with Tom Isaacs, Assistant Superintendent, and Shaun Bevins, Treasurer, and Bruce McGary and Keith Anderson, Warren County Prosecutor's Office, for a work session to discuss the creation of a Council of Governments relative to the local schools.

Mr. Isaacs explained the need for a Council of Governments (COG) to give the ESC the ability to hire "at will" employees such as substitute teachers and special education aides. He stated that the creation of the COG will give the local schools the ability to reduce administration fees and the hassle of human resources functions as it relates to hiring of "at will" employees. The employer would be the ESC but the schools would dictate who they choose to work in their district and when they need them.

Mr. Isaacs stated that in many instances, a local school board must hire a special education aid for a specific child. If the child leaves the district, which happens often, then the district is "stuck" with paying for an employee that is not longer needed but has a contract to employee for a specific amount of time. The COG would be the hiring authority and the school districts would pay the entire cost plus a 3% administration fee.

There was discussion relative to the availability of benefits to these "at will" employees.

Mr. Isaacs explained that the benefits would follow whatever the rules of the particular school they are working in. He also stated that the service credit with the State Teacher's Retirement System would also not changes. He explained that the goal is to save the school districts money and also provide a network of "at will" employees for all of the districts to choose from.

Mr. Isaacs then stated that this COG is not a way of going around the existing unions. He stated that the COG is not for full time teachers, only "at will" employees.

Commissioner Young praised this concept as he has seen how well it is working in the Columbus area.

There was discussion relative to the need for a clause within the COG agreement to hold Warren County harmless from any liability as it relates to the COG.

There was also discussion relative to Commissioner Young's desire for any excess proceeds that may result from this COG to be shared with the county.

Commissioner Young then stated his support for the creation of a COG and requested three things to be included in the agreement:

- 1. A "hold harmless" clause that exempts the Warren County Board of Commissioners from liability.
- 2. Warren County Commissioners will not contribute anything financially to the COG
- 3. The ability to share any excess revenue with the general fund (if legal)

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Commissioner South stated her support of this concept in its ability to save taxpayer's money in both the administrative function of "at will" employees and in many other ways that have not been explored. She then thanked the staff of the Educational Services Center for continually being creative in the ways to save the school districts money in this volatile economy.

Commissioner Ariss stated his agreement to being a partner in the COG and stated his support of saving taxpayer's money.

Upon further discussion, the Board agreed to enter into a COG agreement with the Educational Services Center and requested the ESC attorneys to work with our Prosecutor's Office on agreeable wording.

On motion, upon unanimous call of the roll, the Board entered into executive session at 10:44 a.m. to discuss acquisition of property pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G) (12) and matters required to be kept confidential per federal or state law pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G) (5) and exited at 11:53 a.m.

Upon motion the meeting was adjourned.

Pat Arnold South, President

Tom Ariss

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Board of County Commissioners held on November 8, 2011, in compliance with Section 121.22 O.R.C.

Tina Davis, Clerk

Board of County Commissioners

Warren County, Ohio