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MINUTES: Regular Session – September 13, 2011

The Board met in regular session pursuant to adjournment of the September 8, 2011, meeting.

David G. Young - present

Pat Arnold South - present

Tom Ariss - present

Tina Davis, Clerk - present

Minutes of the September 8, 2011 meetings were read and approved.

- 11-1265 A resolution was adopted to Reject Bids Received for the Plumbing portion of the Warren County Mechanics Garage Re: Roof Project. Vote: Unanimous
- 11-1266 A resolution was adopted to establish Bi-Monthly Billing for 4186 Utica Road within the Old 122/Utica Road Water Improvement Area, Warren County Water District. Vote: Unanimous
- 11-1267 A resolution was adopted to authorize the President of the Board to sign 90 Day Container Deposit Waiver with Univar. Vote: Unanimous
- 11-1268 A resolution was adopted to approve and enter into Contract with Buckeye Power Sales Co. Inc. Vote: Unanimous
- 11-1269 A resolution was adopted to declare various items within Workforce One as surplus and authorize the disposal of said items. Vote: Unanimous
- 11-1270 A resolution was adopted to declare various items within Sheriff's Office and Drug Task Force as surplus and authorize the disposal of said items. Vote: Unanimous

- 11-1271 A resolution was adopted to accept Amended Certificate for Fund 289 (Community Based Corrections - Common Pleas Court ISP/Diversion Grant).
Vote: Unanimous
- 11-1272 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustment within Coroner's Fund #101-2100. Vote: Unanimous
- 11-1273 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustment within Emergency Services/Communications Center Fund #101-2850.
Vote: Unanimous
- 11-1274 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustment within Common Pleas Court Fund #289. Vote: Unanimous
- 11-1275 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustment from Telecom Fund #101-2810 into #101-2811. Vote: Unanimous
- 11-1276 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustment within Children Services Fund #273. Vote: Unanimous
- 11-1277 A resolution was adopted to authorize payment of Bills. Vote: Unanimous
- 11-1278 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustment within Fund #467. Vote: Unanimous
- 11-1279 A resolution was adopted to approve Vacation of Public Highway and Road purpose Easement along Whalen Lane in Hamilton Township and authorize President of the Board to sign documents relative thereto. Vote: Unanimous
- 11-1280 A resolution was adopted to approve and authorize the President and/or Vice President of this Board to sign a Grant Agreement by and between the Federal Aviation Administration and the Warren County Board of Commissioners relative to the Lebanon-Warren County Airport. Vote: Unanimous
- 11-1281 A resolution was adopted to approve an Appropriation Adjustment within Building Services Fund #467. Vote: Unanimous

DISCUSSIONS

Paul Kindell, Telecommunications Director, was present along with various Fire Chiefs and Fire Department representatives throughout Warren County for a work session to discuss their desire

add field based reporting to the CAD system (E-911) program at a proposed cost of \$152,500 to the Fire Departments and \$150,000 to the County.

Deputy Chief Craig Bryant, City of Mason, stated that the departments need the county to make this program work. He explained that this program helps reduce the amount of clerical errors that can occur due to the enormous amount of hand written paperwork that must be completed per call. He also explained that this program allows them to get the patient to the hospital faster and would require 20 – 30% less time in the field.

Commission Young stated that his responsibility to the taxpayers of Warren County is to consider the financial aspect as well as what is a “want” vs. a “need”. He stated that Warren County’s income is down \$9 million over the last four years and that all requests for additional funds are being looked at very closely in this economic. He then stated his belief that the primary function of government is public safety and that Warren County is in a difficult spot in that the current CAD system requires an upgrade that is estimated to cost \$12 - \$15 million.

Deputy Chief Bryant stated that, unlike the other users of the CAD system, the Fire Chief’s believe that this should be a partnership with the County and will be responsible for the financial costs relative to maintenance, upkeep, license and hardware. They are only requesting the County to purchase the “core” of the system as an add-on program to the existing CAD.

Mr. Kindell stated that if the County does not agree to participate in the purchase of the “core” software program, then each individual department will have their own software service as well as an IT person and there will be 9 different services located within each individual department.

Commissioner South stated her understanding for this program and stated her concurrence with the request but reiterated the need to review the budget numbers due to the current economy. She stated her desire to take this request under advisement until the 1st quarter of 2012 in order for a clearer financial picture to be in place.

There was discussion relative to the departments need to expend the budgeted dollars this year in fear of them be reallocated in next year’s budget due to the declining revenues of local governments.

Commissioner Ariss stated that the local government budgets have been impacted even more than the last time this project was discussed. He then stated his agreement with Commissioner South’s desire to defer a final answer until next year.

Chief Eisele, Deerfield Township, stated his desire to complete the project this year as many departments will not be able to participate due to the impact the economy is having on local governments. He stated that they cannot defer until next year.

There was then discussion relative to the probably of a cheaper fix for the replacement of the upgrade of the CAD system rather than spending the estimated \$12 - \$15 million.

Mr. Kindell stated that the RFP is in process and we would not know the answer to that for 4 – 6 weeks.

Commission Young explained that the 911 system is “mission critical” and that field based reporting for the fire departments is at the next level. He then stated that, with his vote, if the \$12 million question is answered in a favorable manner, he does not have a problem with the expenditure.

Commissioner South concurred that she is willing to make this project happen but it may not be possible until next year.

There was discussion relative to the RFP process and the Board concurred to reconvene this discussion in 4-6 weeks when an answer should be available to the “\$12 - \$15 million questions”.

The Board then directed the fire chief’s to proceed with this project as if it were approved.

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

On motion, upon unanimous call of the roll, the Board entered into executive session at 10:17 a.m. to discuss personnel matters pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G)(1) and exited at 12:30 p.m.

On motion, upon unanimous call of the roll, the Board entered into executive session at 12:33 p.m. to discuss pending litigation pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G)(3) and exited at 12:57 p.m.

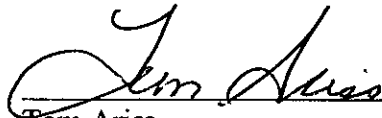
Upon motion the meeting was adjourned.



Pat Arnold South, President

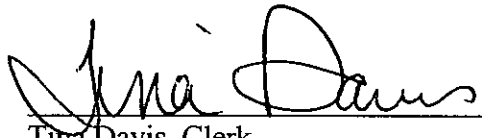


David G. Young



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 September 13, 2011, in compliance with Section 121.22 O.R.C.



Tina Davis, Clerk
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