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MINUTES: Regular Session – October 17, 2013

The Board met in regular session pursuant to adjournment of the October 15, 2013, meeting.

Tom Ariss - present

David G. Young - present

Pat Arnold South - present

Tina Osborne, Clerk - present

Minutes of the October 15, 2013 meeting were read and approved.

- 13-1531 A resolution was adopted to accept Resignation of Greg Smith, Carpenter, within the Warren County Facilities Management Department, effective October 25, 2013. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-1532 A resolution was adopted to authorize the posting of the "Carpenter I" position, within the Facilities Management Department, in accordance with Warren County Personnel Policy Manual, Section 2.02 (a). Vote: Unanimous
- 13-1533 A resolution was adopted to retain Dinsmore & Shohl as Special Legal Counsel relative to Workers' Compensation. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-1534 A resolution was adopted to declare various items within Board of Development Disabilities, Facilities Management, Water & Sewer Department as surplus and authorize the disposal of said items. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-1535 A resolution was adopted to approve and authorize the President of the Board to enter into Contract with Marlene Guth-Gressley for Public Defender Services within Warren County Court. Vote: Unanimous

- 13-1536 A resolution was adopted to approve and authorize Application for Department of Youth Services (DYS) Capital Improvements Funding for the Safety and Security Improvements for the Juvenile Detention Center and Mary Haven Youth Center. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-1537 A resolution was adopted to accept the amounts and rates as determined by the Warren County Budget Commission and authorize the necessary Tax Levies and Certifying them to the County Auditor. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-1538 A resolution was adopted to approve and enter into Contract with Community Mental Health Centers of Warren County, Inc., dba Solutions Community Counseling and Recovery Centers, on behalf of the Warren County Jail regarding Crisis Services. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-1539 A resolution was adopted to affirm "Then and Now" requests pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 5705.41(d) (1). Vote: Unanimous
- 13-1540 A resolution was adopted to approve various Refunds. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-1541 A resolution was adopted to approve a Cash Advance from County Motor Vehicle Fund #202 into the Bethany Road Improvement Project Fund #490. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-1542 A resolution was adopted to accept Amended Certificate for Fund #496 Juvenile Detention Construction Fund and approve an Appropriation Adjustment within Commissioners Fund #101-1112, an Operational Transfer from County General Fund #496 and a Supplemental Appropriation into Fund #496. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-1543 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustment from Board of Elections Fund #101-1301 to #101-1300. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-1544 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustments within Prosecutor Fund #245. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-1545 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustments within Children Services Fund #273 and Records Center Fund #101-1500. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-1546 A resolution was adopted to authorize payment of Bills. Vote: Unanimous
- 13-1547 A resolution was adopted to Amend Resolution No. 12-1603 pertaining to signage for Warren General Property Co., LLC and Miami Valley Gaming & Racing, LLC. Vote: Unanimous

DISCUSSIONS

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

Judge Loxley, Warren County Court, was present along with Bruce Snell, County Court Administrator, for a work session to discuss the Warren County Court Consolidation Study that was completed in July 2013.

Judge Loxley gave a historical background of the County Court as well as a synopsis of the options provided in the study as follows:

Option 1. Limited Reconfiguration of Municipal Court Boundaries—Franklin Municipal Court (FMC) absorbs cases from Clearcreek Township and Springboro and Lebanon Municipal Court (LMC). Warren County Court retains Union, Hamilton, Salem and Harlan Township.

Option 2. Full Reconfiguration of Municipal Court Boundaries and Elimination of Court Court

Option 3. Merge Lebanon Municipal Court with Warren County Court

Option 4. Merge Franklin and Lebanon Municipal Courts with County Court

Judge Loxley stated his recommendation that, in review the financial information provided with each option, the Board should focus on options 3 and 4 for future consideration.

Judge Loxley requested the Board consider at addition option to consider making the Warren County Court judgeship a full time position and eliminate the second vacant judgeship position.

There was discussion relative to the financial benefits of creating a full time judge position and eliminating both part-time positions. It was determined that Warren County taxpayers would save approximately \$88,000 per year if this was done as well as put the court in a position to consolidate the LMC and FMC upon expiration of the terms of the current judges in 2015 and 2017 respectively.

Upon discussion, Judge Loxley stated he will gather additional information relative to the elimination of the two part-time judge positions within County Court in lieu of one full-time judge position and get back to the Board at a later date.

PUBLIC HEARING

AMENDMENT TO THE STAGE 2 PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT OF MIAMI VALLEY
GAMING PUD IN TURTLECREEK TOWNSHIP RELATIVE TO SIGNAGE

The public hearing to consider the request of Miami Valley Gaming to amend the Stage 2 Planned Unit Development relative to signage was convened this 17th day of October 2013, in the Commissioners' meeting Room.


Robert Ware, Warren County Regional Planning Commission (RPC), presented the applicant's request to delete the high rise pylon sign previously approved to be located along Union Road and to instead place a sign at the main entrance on SR 63, approximately 70 feet high, internally illuminated not to exceed 800 feet per side. He then stated the RPC recommendation to approve the request with the total sign copy area not to exceed 1800 feet, with no flashing, blinking or scrolling and the setback a minimum of 10 feet from the road right of way.

Jim Sims, President and General Manager of Miami Valley Gaming, stated the purpose of relocating the sign is to keep traffic off of Union Road. He stated that if the pylon sign is located along Union Road as the service entrance, they felt the public could become confused that think it is the main entrance.

Stan Williams, Executive Director of the RPC, stated that they have no concerns with the request and are recommending approval.


Upon further discussion, the Board resolved (Resolution #12-1603) to amend Resolution # 12-1603 pertaining to signage for Warren General Property Co., LLC and Miami Valley Gaming & Racing, LLC.

Upon motion the meeting was adjourned.



Tom Ariss, President

Pat Arnold South



David G. Young

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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 October 17, 2013, in compliance with Section 121.22 O.R.C.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tina Osborne", written over a horizontal line.

Tina Osborne, Clerk
Board of County Commissioners
Warren County, Ohio