

The Board of Greene County Commissioners met in regular session at 9 A.M. Those present were: Richard D. Gould, Tom Koogler and Rick Perales.

The minutes of Thursday, November 18, 2021 previously circulated and available for public viewing were approved. The work session minutes of Thursday, November 18, 2021 previously circulated and available for public viewing were approved.

IN RE – APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Mr. Koogler moved Resolution 21-11-23-1 for approval of vouchers.

Mr. Perales seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Gould-----Aye
Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye

IN RE – APPROVAL OF TRAVEL/TRAINING EXPENSES

Mr. Perales moved Resolution 21-11-23-2 for approval of travel or training.

Mr. Koogler seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Gould-----Aye
Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye

IN RE – TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS

Mr. Koogler moved Resolution 21-11-23-3 authorizing the transfer of appropriations.

Mr. Perales seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Gould-----Aye
Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye

IN RE – PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Mr. Perales moved Resolution 21-11-23-4 approving the personnel actions as presented.

Mr. Koogler seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Gould-----Aye
Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye

IN RE – BOARD APPOINTMENT: BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Mr. Koogler moved Resolution 21-11-23-5 reappointing Elizabeth Eng to the Board of Developmental Disabilities for a four-year term beginning January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2025.

Mr. Perales seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

Mr. Gould-----Aye
Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye

IN RE – SIGNING CERTIFICATION OF DETERMINATION: FVPC (DEPT. OF DEVELOPMENT)

Mr. Perales moved resolution 21-11-23-6 to sign the Certification of Determination of Subsequent Exemption for a Categorical Exclusion project for the state-approved RLF Waiver Project at the Family Violence Prevention Center.

Mr. Koogler seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Gould-----Aye
Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye

IN RE – APPROVING LETTER OF SUPPORT: CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS (BROADBAND)

Mr. Koogler moved Resolution 21-11-23-7 approving a letter of support for Charter Communications (Spectrum) with its application to the Ohio Residential Broadband Expansion grant program to bring affordable, transparent broadband access to County residents.

Mr. Perales seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Gould-----Aye
Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye

IN RE – APPROVING APPLICATION FOR ROAD PROJECT: SPRING VALLEY TWP. (CO. ENG.)

Mr. Perales moved Resolution 21-11-23-8 approving an application for a road project for Spring Valley Township in the amount of \$6,626.15, as approved by the County Engineer.

Mr. Koogler seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Gould-----Aye
Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye

IN RE – APPROVING APPLICATION FOR ROAD PROJECT: SILVERCREEK TWP. (CO. ENG.)

Mr. Koogler moved Resolution 21-11-23-9 approving an application for a road project for Silvercreek Township in the amount of \$2,850.61, as approved by the County Engineer.

Mr. Perales seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Gould-----Aye
Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye

IN RE - APPROVING APPLICATION FOR ROAD PROJECT: BEAVERCREEK TWP. (CO. ENG.)

Mr. Perales moved Resolution 21-11-23-10 approving an application for a road project for Beaver creek Township in the amount of \$2,985.40, as approved by the County Engineer.

Mr. Koogler seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Gould-----Aye
Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye

IN RE – JOURNALIZING OATH OF OFFICE: SCOTT ANGER (ACTING SHERIFF)

Mr. Koogler moved Resolution 21-11-23-11 journalizing the oath of office for Scott Anger, Acting Greene County Sheriff.

Mr. Perales seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Gould-----Aye
Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye

IN RE – BID AWARD: CO. ENGINEERING TRUCK GARAGE INSULATION PROJ. (CO. SRVCS.)

Mr. Perales moved Resolution 21-11-23-12 accepting the bid of The Northview Group LLC for the County Engineering Truck Garage Insulation Project in the amount of \$148,400, as recommended by County Services. Engineer’s Estimate was \$200,000.

Mr. Koogler seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

Mr. Gould-----Aye
Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye

IN RE – AUTH. EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS (JUVENILE COURT)

Mr. Koogler moved Resolution 21-11-23-13 authorizing the expenditure of funds by Juvenile Court for lunches during the quarterly visit by the Department of Youth Services in an amount not to exceed \$50.

Mr. Perales seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

Mr. Gould-----Aye
Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye

IN RE – CLOSING COUNTY OFFICES (NOVEMBER 24, 2021)

Mr. Perales moved Resolution 21-11-23-14 closing County offices on Wednesday, November 24, 2021 as a show of respect to the late Sheriff Gene Fischer, his family, the employees with whom he worked, and the law enforcement community.

Mr. Koogler seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Gould-----Aye
Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye

Brandon Huddleson, County Administrator, said compiling the budget is a huge undertaking that he could not do without Jennifer Calhoun, Budget Analyst. He said she helps him as well as the offices and departments with compiling the budget and answering questions. The process actually begins in August and culminates with the marathon budget work session, he said.

Mr. Huddleson said the revenue estimate for next year is \$61.8 million and the operating budget presented to the Board is \$56,559,564. The County is in a good place, he added.

Mr. Koogler said this is his ninth budget and the largest gap between revenue and expenses. He commended all the departments and offices for assisting with this outcome and learning how to budget differently over the years. Mr. Perales thanked Mr. Huddleson and Ms. Calhoun for working diligently with all departments and elected officials in this transparent process. Mr. Gould echoed his colleagues’ comments.

Mr. Huddleson said having the Board’s support is important. He said departments and offices are encouraged to request only what is needed, but if additional funds are needed by a department or office during the year, then the Board is supportive of making any necessary adjustments.

IN RE – ADOPTING 2022 BUDGET

Mr. Koogler moved Resolution 21-11-23-15 adopting the 2022 general fund budget in the amount of \$56,559,564.

Mr. Perales seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Gould-----Aye
Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye

Mr. Huddleson said the County’s Classification and Compensation Plan was revamped in 2018 and included maintenance of the plan. The recent maintenance of the plan with proposed adjustments to wages helps the County attract and keep employees, he said. Commissioners thanked Mr. Huddleson and the Personnel Department for their work in reviewing salaries to provide fair and competitive salaries.

Mr. Huddleson said the Department Directors in the audience fully support this adjustment because they see and deal with the loss of employees to higher-paying jobs. He said the numbers for this wage adjustment are in the budget just approved, and the same adjustments are extended to all Elected Officials.

IN RE – APPROVING WAGE SCALE ADJUSTMENT

Mr. Perales moved Resolution 21-11-23-16 approving a wage scale adjustment for permanent non-bargaining unit, classified and unclassified employees, effective the first pay period of 2022 (December 18, 2021).

Mr. Koogler seconded the motion, and on roll call the result was as follows:

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Mr. Gould-----Aye
Mr. Koogler-----Aye
Mr. Perales-----Aye

Mr. Koogler said COVID-positive cases are up by 56 from last week, which is the third week in a row for an increase. Mr. Perales wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. He said he has seen many kind, helpful people since he has been using crutches. Mr. Gould said in light of all that has happened this past week, cherish the time spent with family.

Commissioners adjourned at 9:25 A.M. and will reconvene Thursday, December 2, 2021 at 1:00 P.M.

Attest: _____
Clerk

Contracts signed by Co. Admin., pursuant to Res. No. 17-7-27-7:
Arcadis, Revised Revenue Projections, Tara Trail, San. Eng.
Dynergy, Amendment, Adding Account, Juvenile Court-Residential Center, BoCC
OWDA Fund Payment Request, AMI, Sanitary
WSRLA Loan Agreement, Tara Trail Water Main, Design & Construction, Sanitary
D&A Grant, CDBG Home Repair Loan, \$15,140, Development