



Present: President Robert E. Wirkner, Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, and Commissioner Lewis A. Mickley
Also present to observe: None.

**IN THE MATTER OF
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

 9:00 AM


Commissioner Wirkner asked that everyone join in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**IN THE MATTER OF
ROLL CALL / BOARD MEETING ATTENDANCE**

 9:00 AM

Commissioner Mickley: Present; Commissioner Ohler: Present; Commissioner Wirkner: Present

**IN THE MATTER OF
RECORDINGS OF PROCEEDINGS**


 9:01 AM

Melissa N. Schaar, Assistant Clerk I certified that the entire recording of the proceedings at the prior meetings are captured completely and accurately in the electronic record and are available at the office.

**IN THE MATTER OF
MINUTES**

Motion: to approve the summary of the minutes from the regular meeting of Thursday, August 6, 2020 and electronic recording of the proceedings, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Robert E. Wirkner, Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, and Commissioner Lewis A. Mickley; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, **Seconded by** Commissioner Lewis A. Mickley.

Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:01 AM


**IN THE MATTER OF
APPROPRIATION(S)**

Motion: to approve the following appropriation(s):


<u>FUND</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
County General	Equipment	0580-S036-S03.040	\$2,000.00
County General	Contract Services	0580-S036-S05.000	\$2,000.00

Action: Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Robert E. Wirkner, Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, and Commissioner Lewis A. Mickley; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, **Seconded by** Commissioner Lewis A. Mickley.

Motion carried on unanimous vote.


 9:01 AM

**IN THE MATTER OF
REPORT OF COUNTY DOG WARDEN**

 9:02 AM

Josh Long, Dog Warden, filed his report for the week of August 2, 2020 to August 8, 2020 showing 2 dogs impounded, 1 adopted out, 1 redeemed, 0 euthanized, 0 citation(s) for no license, and 0 citation(s) for running at large.


**IN THE MATTER OF
AGREEMENT/CONTRACT
PALMER ENERGY – LETTER OF AUTHORIZATION**

 9:02 AM

Commissioner Wirkner advised that the county saves tens of thousands of dollars on gas and electric each year by being a part of the consortium put together by the County Commissioners Association of Ohio (CCAO). Palmer Energy gathers the electric and gas usage from each participating county and bids it out as a consortium. Commissioner Wirkner advised that he has a meeting today with a representative from CCAO and Palmer Energy to discuss other ways that the county can save money.

Motion: to authorize Commissioner Wirkner to sign the Letter of Authorization allowing Palmer Energy to be the exclusive agent and consultant to secure electric and gas pricing information on the County’s behalf, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Robert E. Wirkner, Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, and Commissioner Lewis A. Mickley; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, **Seconded by** Commissioner Lewis A. Mickley.

Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:04 AM


**IN THE MATTER OF
PERMIT FOR THE USE OF COUNTY HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY(S)
ERIC HUTCHISON**

Motion: to approve permits for the use of the following county highway right of way(s) as recommended by the County Engineer:

1. Eric Hutchison for road bore for water and pump power in Augusta Township, Brussel Road (CR 58);

Action: Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Robert E. Wirkner, Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, and Commissioner Lewis A. Mickley; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, **Seconded by** Commissioner Lewis A. Mickley.


Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:05 AM


**IN THE MATTER OF
SPECIAL HAULING PERMIT
ADVANCED HARDWOODS**

Motion: to approve a special hauling permit to Advanced Hardwoods for hauling over Aurora Road (CR 18) in Augusta Township; a \$50,000.00 bond has been provided as required by Brian J. Wise, County Engineer, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Robert E. Wirkner, Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, and Commissioner Lewis A. Mickley; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, **Seconded by** Commissioner Lewis A. Mickley.

Motion carried on unanimous vote.


 9:06 AM

**IN THE MATTER OF
HEALTH DEPARTMENT UPDATE
COVID-19**

 9:07 AM


Commissioner Wirkner advised that the Health Department will be giving their weekly COVID-19 update on Thursday, August 13, 2020 at 9:15 a.m.

**IN THE MATTER OF
CLERKS REPORT
EMAIL ISSUES**

 9:08 AM


Ronald M. Nuzzolillo, Jr. appeared before the Board to discuss the fake email issues. Mr. Nuzzolillo advised that several weeks ago the county received an initial attack of an email that appeared to be from a county employee but had a fake email address. Unfortunately, there were a couple offices in the county that clicked on and opened the attachment, which led to a flood of fake emails being sent out. Mr. Nuzzolillo advised that the virus has been isolated, the affected computers were rebuilt and the virus is removed. Employees are still receiving fake emails, though the numbers are reduced. Mr. Nuzzolillo advised that he is looking in to a new email service, which will cost \$2.00 per month, per email address. He will be finishing the list of email addresses that need to be kept and he will have a quote to approve on Thursday. Mr. Nuzzolillo advised that our IT provider is looking to do the transfer on Friday since it will take approximately four days to complete the transfer and older email addresses with more mail will take longer to transfer. Mr. Nuzzolillo advised that the new email service will provide more protection against fake emails. With the new service, fake emails will be blocked before they even reach an employee's email box, and an alert will be sent. Mr. Nuzzolillo advised that he feels this is the best move for the county considering the downtime we had over the last couple weeks, when the email service had to be shut down. Commissioner Wirkner asked what the cost of the new service will be. Mr. Nuzzolillo advised that at 400 employees, it could be \$800.00 per month, however he does not believe that we will need 400 emails. Mr. Nuzzolillo advised that he will have a presentation ready on Thursday.

**IN THE MATTER OF
CLERKS REPORT
COVID-19**

 9:11 AM


Christopher R. Modranski, Clerk appeared before the Board to discuss the cleaning and sanitation of the courthouse. Mr. Modranski complimented the Maintenance department for a job well done keeping up with the labor-intensive job of cleaning and sanitizing the courthouse. Mr. Modranski advised that he is working with the Maintenance department to find a product to help reduce the work load and keep the visitors and employees safe in the courthouse and other buildings. Mr. Modranski advised that he has been researching a product called Clorox 360. Mr. Modranski advised that the product comes out in a fog that magnetizes and sticks to the surface that it is sprayed on. Clorox 360 is on the rated to fight Coronavirus. Mr. Modranski advised that he would like to see one unit in each building. Mr. Modranski will be working with the department heads of outlying buildings and the Maintenance supervisor to confirm that this will work for the outlying departments. Mr. Modranski advised that each unit costs approximately \$1,000.00 - \$1,500.00 and would be funded by the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) dollars. Commissioner Wirkner advised that this system sounds like a good way to go as it reduces contact with surfaces and should help reduce the work load. Mr. Modranski advised that he is also working with Maintenance to investigate changing the public restrooms to sensor water faucets, sensor drying mechanisms and sensor door openers to help reduce the number of surfaces that need to be touched. Mr. Modranski advised that the sensor water faucets would also reduce water usage, and these changes fall into the CRF guidelines so they would be funded by CRF dollars.

**IN THE MATTER OF
CLERKS REPORT**

 9:16 AM

Christopher R. Modranski, Clerk reminded residents to use caution when traveling through town due to the ongoing resurfacing project.

**IN THE MATTER OF
CLERKS REPORT**


 9:17 AM

Commissioner Wirkner asked how many townships have indicated that they will be taking advantage of the Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF). Mr. Modranski advised four or five of the 14 townships have indicated that they will be submitting a resolution so they can receive their money. Mr. Modranski advised that several of the townships don't have many employees so they don't have many expenses. If townships do not use their CRF funds, it will be returned to the Auditor to be redistributed in October. Commissioner Wirkner advised that he wanted to make sure that each township is aware that the CRF funds are available. Mr. Modranski advised that a letter was sent to each township from the Auditor's office and the Commissioners' office sent out a letter as well. Mr. Modranski advised that if any townships have any questions or need help filling out the paperwork, he will be happy to help them.

**IN THE MATTER OF
PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Motion: to approve bills submitted for payment and to authorize the County Auditor to issue her warrant on the County Treasury for payment of same, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Robert E. Wirkner, Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, and Commissioner Lewis A. Mickley; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, **Seconded by** Commissioner Lewis A. Mickley.

Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:20 AM

**IN THE MATTER OF
PAYMENT OF BILLS WITHOUT PRIOR CERTIFICATION:
REVISED CODE 5705.41**


Motion: to approve payment of the following for materials or services purchased without a proper purchase order and certification and the County Auditor is authorized to issue her warrant for payment of same:

COUNTY: Ace Hardware, \$338.06; NCL, \$1,228.05; Vanita Leggett, \$114.16 & Huntington National Bank, \$370.36.


DJFS: None.

Action: Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Robert E. Wirkner, Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, and Commissioner Lewis A. Mickley; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, **Seconded by** Commissioner Lewis A. Mickley.

Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:20 AM

**IN THE MATTER OF
GORAIL**

 9:21 AM


Michael Gaynor, Assistant Vice President, Land Operations of GoRail appeared before the Board to provide an update on some railroad issues. Mr. Gaynor advised that GoRail is a nonprofit headquartered in Washington, D.C. and he is located in Columbus, Ohio. GoRail has been around for about 14 years and works to build awareness for the public benefits of rail service and to build awareness of issues in Washington. Mr. Gaynor advised that Ohio has the third largest rail infrastructure in terms of miles than any other state, and Ohio has the second most intermodal facilities. Mr. Gaynor advised that he wanted to provide an update on two different issues. The first item is safety, as railways are very efficient but also very unforgiving if something goes wrong. Mr. Gaynor advised that there is an app for first responders called the AskRail App which is a safety tool that provides first responders with immediate access to accurate, timely data about what type of hazardous materials a railcar is carrying and provides the emergency contact information for the local railroad. The app is free to download for first responders. Mr. Gaynor advised that Positive Train Control (PTC) is an electronic backup that takes over the train and stops it in the event of human error. By federal law, PTC has to be up and running by the end of 2020. Mr. Gaynor advised that the freight railroads have 99% of their networks up and running and the remainder will be in place by the end of this year. Mr. Gaynor advised that one of the most common causes of derailment is failure of the steel rail or the steel wheel, so the industry has begun using ultrasound technology to inspect rails and wheels. Mr. Gaynor advised that the most commonly used tracks have an inspector that walks the tracks every week to check for visible signs of failure and this prevents 90% of accidents that could happen. Mr. Gaynor advised that ultrasound technology allows them to see microscopic cracks before they cause a problem. Mr. Gaynor asked Commissioner Wirkner to please share the AskRail App information with our local first responders and to give them his phone number if they have any questions. Mr. Gaynor advised that this year is the 40th anniversary of the Staggers Act, which was an act of Congress that economically deregulated the railroads. Prior to that, the federal government determined where the trains went and by 1980 approximately 20% of all rail miles in the United States were in bankruptcy. When railroads were deregulated, it moved to a system where market forces determined what the rates were and where the trains went. Approximately \$710,000,000,000.00 in product capital has been reinvested in the rail networks since then. Mr. Gaynor advised that GoRail is taking advantage of the anniversary to educate the new members of Congress about the history of deregulation and why it is so important to maintain that. Mr. Gaynor advised that they are working on a letter to send

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to Congress and the Surface Transportation Board, the body that regulates the railroad. Mr. Gaynor advised that their goal is to have 1,000 groups sign on to the letter including state legislators, local elected officials, economic development groups and chambers of commerce. Mr. Gaynor asked that the Board of Commissioners to consider signing the letter to join in on supporting this effort. Commissioner Wirkner advised that we are happy to have a local rail service. Christopher R. Modranski, Clerk asked Mr. Gaynor to discuss who is responsible for maintaining railroad crossings. Mr. Gaynor advised that it is usually a joint venture between the railroad and the government. Typically, the government pays for most of the public road that goes over the crossing, and the railroad does the work. Mr. Gaynor advised that there are also federal groups that help with crossing safety.


MOTION: to allow the Board President to sign the GoRail letter of support presented by Michael Gaynor, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Robert E. Wirkner, Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, and Commissioner Lewis A. Mickley; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, **Seconded by** Commissioner Lewis A. Mickley. Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:32 AM

**IN THE MATTER OF
ADJOURN**

Motion: to adjourn, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Robert E. Wirkner, Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, and Commissioner Lewis A. Mickley; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, **Seconded by** Commissioner Lewis A. Mickley.

Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:34 AM

PREPARED BY:

/s/ Melissa N. Schaar
Melissa N. Schaar, Assistant Clerk I

We hereby certify the foregoing to be true and correct.

/s/ Christopher R. Modranski
Christopher R. Modranski, Clerk

/s/ Robert E. Wirkner
Robert E. Wirkner, President

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CARROLL COUNTY

/s/ Robert E. Wirkner
Robert E. Wirkner, President

/s/ Jeffrey L. Ohler
Jeffrey L. Ohler, Vice President

/s/ Lewis A. Mickley
Lewis A. Mickley, Commissioner