



Present: President Robert E. Wirkner, Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, and Commissioner Lewis A. Mickley.
Also present to observe: Jeffery Yeager, Treasurer; Lynn Fairclough, Auditor; & Staci Brady, Chief Deputy Auditor I.

**IN THE MATTER OF
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

 9:02 AM


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

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

 9:03 AM

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

**IN THE MATTER OF
RECORDINGS OF PROCEEDINGS**


 9:03 AM

Ronald M. Nuzzolillo Jr, 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, October 8, 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.

 9:04 AM


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

Motion: to approve the following appropriation(s):

FUND	NAME	CODE	AMOUNT
S071	Equipment	0200-S071-S03.040	\$7,691.24
S012	Supported Living	0400-S012-S07.000	\$30,000.00
S015	Salaries	0400-S015-S33.020	\$5,000.00
S015	STRS	0400-S015-S43.070	\$1,000.00
S015	Medical Insurance	0400-S015-S48.100	\$8,000.00
CS50	Reimb to PA Fund	0324-S000-S12.000	\$95,000.00

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.

 9:04 AM


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

Motion: to approve the following appropriation amendment(s):


FROM			TO		AMOUNT
FUND	NAME	CODE	NAME	CODE	
T239	Equipment	0130-T239-T08.040	Transportation	0130-T239-T06.050	\$600.00
T239	Training	0130-T239-T07.051	Salary	0130-T239-T01.020	\$2,000.00
T239	Equipment	0130-T239-T08.040	Salary	0130-T239-T01.020	\$1,000.00

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.


 9:05 AM

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

 9:05 AM

Josh Long, Dog Warden, filed his report for the week of October 4, 2020 to October 10, 2020 showing 4 dogs impounded, 4 adopted out, 2 redeemed, 0 euthanized, 6 citation(s) for no license, and 1 citation(s) for running at large.


**IN THE MATTER OF
RUMA AGREEMENT – JAMES BURLESON CR ORG WELL SITE
EAP OHIO, LLC.**

 9:06 AM

Commissioner Wirkner advised that Encino Energy changed the name of the well that was on the RUMA approved on August 20, 2020. Commissioner Wirkner advised that the name of the well is now the Windy Ridge Platform CR ORG.

Motion: to rescind the motion made on August 20, 2020 by Commissioner Ohler and seconded by Commissioner Mickley to approve an agreement by and between the Board of Commissioners and EAP Ohio, LLC to commence use of 1.72 miles of CR 22 (Azalea Road) for the purpose of ingress to and egress from the James Burleson CR ORG well site, for traffic necessary for the purpose of construction, completion of operations and production of products at the James Burleson CR ORG well site in Orange Township, **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.

 9:07 AM


**IN THE MATTER OF
RUMA AGREEMENT – WINDY RIDGE PLATFORM CR ORG WELL SITE
EAP OHIO, LLC.**

Motion: to approve an agreement by and between the Board of Commissioners and EAP Ohio, LLC to commence use of 1.72 miles of CR 22 (Azalea Road) for the purpose of ingress to and egress from the Windy Ridge Platform CR ORG well site, for traffic necessary for the purpose of construction, completion of operations and production of products at the Windy Ridge CR ORG well site in Orange Township, **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.

 9:08 AM


**IN THE MATTER OF
RUMA AGREEMENT – EDISON CR ORG WELL SITE
EAP OHIO, LLC.**

 9:09 AM

Commissioner Wirkner advised that Encino Energy changed the name of the well that was on the RUMA approved on August 20, 2020. Commissioner Wirkner advised that the name of the well is now Edison Ruby CR ORG.

Motion: rescind the motion made on August 20, 2020 by Commissioner Ohler and seconded by Commissioner Mickley to approve an agreement by and between the Board of Commissioners and EAP Ohio, LLC to commence use of 0.31 miles of CR 22 (Azalea Road) for the purpose of ingress to and egress from the Edison CR ORG well site, for traffic necessary for the purpose of construction, completion of operations and production of products at the Edison CR ORG well site in Orange Township, **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.

 9:10 AM

**IN THE MATTER OF
RUMA AGREEMENT – EDISON RUBY CR ORG WELL SITE
EAP OHIO, LLC.**

Motion: to approve an agreement by and between the Board of Commissioners and EAP Ohio, LLC to commence use of 0.31 miles of CR 22 (Azalea Road) for the purpose of ingress to and egress from the Edison Ruby CR ORG well site, for traffic necessary for the purpose of construction, completion of operations and production of products at the Edison Ruby CR ORG well site in Orange Township, **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.

 9:11 AM


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

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

- 1. EAP Ohio, LLC to install a driveway on Azalea Road (CR 22) in Orange Township;

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.

 9:12 AM


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

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

- 1. EAP Ohio, LLC to conduct a geotechnical study for Windy Ridge Platform Site on Azalea Road (CR 22) in Orange Township;

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.

 9:12 AM


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

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


- 1. Frontier Communications, to place buried service to customer on Avalon Road (CR 21) in Fox Township.

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.


 9:13 AM

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

 9:14 AM

Kelly Engelhart, Director of Nursing appeared before the Board to provide an update on the COVID-19 health crisis. Ms. Engelhart advised that there are currently 179 confirmed and probable cases in the county. Of those, there are 154 recovered cases and 7 fatalities which leaves 18 active cases in the county. Ms. Engelhart advised that the Health Department is currently monitoring 32 individuals and have monitored a total of 1,161 individuals since the beginning of the pandemic. Ms. Engelhart advised that the Health Department is working with long-term care facilities in the county to prepare for a vaccine when it is available. Ms. Engelhart advised that Ohio recorded the highest number of cases yesterday. Ms. Engelhart advised that this increase has put Ohio at 5% positivity rate which means that other states have instituted a travel ban to Ohio. Ms. Engelhart advised that many counties have gone to the red and orange levels on the state advisory map. There are a few counties that are still at the yellow level including Carroll County. Ms. Engelhart stated that she expects to see that change to orange today. Ms. Engelhart stated that she expects more counties go to the red level today. Ms. Engelhart advised that if Carroll County does go to the red level, then the schools will begin remote learning. Ms. Engelhart advised that Carrollton School is doing well since its week of remote learning. Commissioner Wirkner asked about travel restrictions. Ms. Engelhart advised that if someone travels out of the state and then returns, they should quarantine themselves for 14 days. Ms. Engelhart advised that this is not an order, but is highly recommended. Ms. Engelhart advised that the Health Department noticed that many health care workers who tested positive did visit another state. Ms. Engelhart advised that they are learning more about the virus such as that transmission is happening more from airborne than surfaces. Ms. Engelhart advised that this makes facemasks even more important to limiting the transmission of the virus. Commissioner Wirkner asked what happens to an individual from Ohio who goes to another state. Ms. Engelhart encourages those who visit other states to wear a facemask, practice social distancing, and to wash hands. Ms. Engelhart advised that employees should let their employers know that they are traveling out of Ohio.

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

 9:21 AM


Christopher Modranski, Clerk advised that the last Highway Right of Way passed mentioned Avalon Road in Fox Township, however there is no Avalon Road in Fox Township. Ronald Nuzzolillo Jr, Assistant Clerk I advised that the Highway Right of Way was for Avon Road in Fox Township.

Motion: to rescind the motion made by Commissioner Ohler and Seconded by Commissioner Mickey to approve permits for the use of the following county highway right of way(s) as recommended by the County Engineer:

- 1. Frontier Communications, to place buried service to customer on Avalon Road (CR 21) in Fox Township.

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.


 9:21 AM

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

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


- 1. Frontier Communications, to place buried service to customer on Avon Road (CR 21) in Fox Township.

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.

 9:22 AM

**IN THE MATTER OF
SPECIAL HAULING PERMIT
MAYSVILLE TIMBER**

Motion: to approve a special hauling permit to Sharp Turn Timber for hauling over Colony Road (CR 74) in Fox 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.


 9:23 AM

**IN THE MATTER OF
JFS – VARIOUS CONTRACTS**

Motion: to approve the following contracts for Job and Family Services as recommended by Kate Offenberger, Director:


PROVIDER	EFFECTIVE DATE	AMOUNT	SERVICE	TYPE	STATUS	DATE SIGNED
Carroll County Council on Aging	10/1/20-9/30/21	\$24,589.97	Welcome and Wellness Program	Service	Renewal	10/7/2020
Personal & Family Counseling Services	10/1/20-9/30/21	\$75,940.00	Kinship Navigator Program	Service	Renewal	10/12/2020

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.


 9:25 AM

**IN THE MATTER OF
2020 WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN FUND - BID ACCEPTANCE
HOME SEWAGE TREATMENT SYSTEM SOIL EVALUATOR**

Motion: to accept the bids submitted by Hawkhaven, LLC as the Home Sewage Treatment System Soil Evaluator for the 2020 Water Pollution Control Loan Fund/Home Sewage Treatment System projects and to issue a Notice of Award regarding the 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.


 9:26 AM

**IN THE MATTER OF
PURCHASE AGREEMENT
88 W. MAIN ST.**


 9:26 AM

Commissioner Wirkner advised that this Real Estate Purchase Agreement is with Jerry and Shirley Jones who had the highest bid that was accepted at the October 5, 2020 meeting. Commissioner Wirkner advised that this is an effort of the county to bring in income while getting rid of a property that is not being used.

Motion: to sign the Real Estate Purchase Agreement with Jerry and Shirley Jones in the amount of \$3,500.00 for the purchase of property at 88 W. Main St, Carrollton, Ohio, **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.

 9:28 AM


**IN THE MATTER OF
TRANSIT
ELECTION DAY TRANSPORTATION**


 9:28 AM

Commissioner Wirkner asked the Board their thoughts on Carroll County Transit providing free transportation to those who wish to vote on election day. Commissioner Wirkner advised that this service has been provided in the past, but it was not widely used. Christopher Modranski, Clerk advised that this service was offered 2 years ago when transit had longer hours. Now due to COVID-19, Carroll County Transit operates with shorter hours. Mr. Modranski advised that only 3 individuals utilized this service last time. Commissioner Wirkner advised that there may be more demand due to the circumstances associated with this election. Commissioner Ohler advised that he feels there is no need to offer this service if it wasn't utilized before and Transit is operating with shorter hours. Commissioner Mickley stated that he always supports anything to help people to be able to vote but realizes that it is different this year. Commissioner Mickley stated that with COVID-19, people are not utilizing public transportation. Commissioner Mickley stated that he could go either way. Mr. Modranski advised that a viewer on Facebook asked to continue to provide transportation on election day. Commissioner Wirkner asked if Commissioner Ohler could reach out to Transit to find more information. Commissioner Ohler advised that he feels transit can provide this service if individuals schedule an appointment. Commissioner Ohler advised that the county can cover costs. Commissioner Ohler advised that he will contact Transit and report to the board on Monday.


IN THE MATTER OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: to enter into Executive Session per ORC 121.22(G)(3) Conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action, **Action:** Upon the call of the roll, 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


The Board reconvened with no action taken at  9:53 AM.

IN THE MATTER OF PROSECUTOR

 9:53 AM


Commissioner Wirkner advised that Southwest Legal Services has filed a lawsuit which involves Carroll County Environmental Services, Carroll County General Health District, and Carroll County Treasurer. The Prosecuting Attorney, who normally represents the involved parties, advised that this would create a conflict of interest. Commissioner Wirkner advised that, because of this, the Board of Commissioners will have to seek outside counsel.

IN THE MATTER OF EMA – WEATHER STATION UPDATE

 9:54 AM


Commissioner Wirkner advised that there has been a conversation with U.S. Representative Bill Johnson. Commissioner Wirkner advised that he and EMA Director Tom Cottis spoke with Representative Johnson and asked him to intercede on the county’s behalf. Commissioner Wirkner advised that paperwork has been filled out that permits Representative Johnson to enter negotiations on the county’s behalf. Commissioner Wirkner advised that the importance of weather station is to make Carroll County a Storm Certified County. Commissioner Wirkner advised that this will provide a safer environment for the schools in the county as it will provide them will real-time data.

IN THE MATTER OF PAYMENT OF BILLS

 9:56 AM

Commissioner Ohler asked about bill to Software Solutions in the amount of \$32,000.00. Christopher Modranski, Clerk advised that bill is most likely for the Auditor’s Office and he will contact the Auditor’s Office to verify. Commissioner Ohler advised he believes that it is another payment for the Auditor’s software. Mr. Modranski advised that he contacted the Auditor’s Office and the payment is for their new software.

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.

 9:58 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: Huntington National Bank, \$210.00; Huntington National Bank, \$608.04; Cremation & Funeral Service, \$1,038.00; D & D TV, \$1,200.00; City of Garfield Hts, \$600.00; Pictometry, \$1,249.50; & Staples, \$2,659.90.

DJFS: CC Transit, \$387.16; Casey Allison, \$325.00; Julie Halfhill, \$2090.00; Middaugh Printer, \$195.00; Jeff Hartshorn, \$500.00; Big Brothers Big Sisters, \$7,636.93; Devon Parrish, \$338.56; & Suburban Propane, \$1,197.63.

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.

 9:59 AM


IN THE MATTER OF TEMPORARY RECESS

 9:59 AM

Commissioner Wirkner advised that State Treasurer will join the meeting at 10:30 and the Board will recess until then.


Motion: to temporarily recess, **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** Commissioner Lewis A. Mickley, **Seconded by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler.

Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:59 AM


Board members reconvened at  10:32 AM.

**IN THE MATTER OF
TREASURER OF STATE**

 10:32 AM


Robert Sprague, Treasurer of State and Cody Pettit, Public Affairs Liaison appeared before the Board to discuss how Coronavirus has affected Carroll County's economy and what the Board sees on the horizon for 2021. Mr. Sprague asked what Columbus needs to know to help Carroll County succeed next year. Commissioner Wirkner advised that COVID has caused a huge amount of uncertainty and this is the first budget season that the Board was really confused on how the budget would shape up. The budget is better than was initially thought and one of the things that helped is the CARES Act funds. Commissioner Wirkner advised that when some of the limitations were loosened up, that began to improve the county's bottom line. Commissioner Wirkner advised that the stimulus money had several advantages including people began shopping more locally, no longer going out of county to shop at big box stores, as well as shopping more online. Commissioner Wirkner advised that this helps the county's bottom line. Commissioner Mickley advised that he agrees with Commissioner Wirkner, the county seems to be improving. Commissioner Mickley advised that while there is still some uncertainty, the future looks promising. Commissioner Ohler advised that he feels the 2020 budget is fine. Commissioner Ohler advised that because of the Coronavirus Relief Funds, he believes that the county will be fine in 2021. Commissioner Ohler advised that the county will have to guard against increasing expenses until we see what the county actually receives in 2021, to plan for the 2022 budget. Auditor Lynn Fairclough advised that sales tax reports came in sooner than past years which helped with adjustments to the budget. Carroll County has always stayed positive and was even higher than last year, except for one month, while a lot other counties have been negative. Mr. Sprague asked how the tax collections for 2020 are doing. Treasurer Jeff Yeager stated that it has been a good year, the receipts are up over 2019. Mr. Sprague asked about delinquent accounts. Mr. Yeager advised that the delinquent accounts are always a challenge, but his office continues to send out the letters to delinquent account holders. Mr. Yeager advised that the number of delinquencies are holding steady compared to prior years. Mr. Sprague asked how small businesses are doing in the local economy. Commissioner Wirkner advised that restaurants and hospitality have been struggling during the COVID-19 pandemic. Christopher R. Modranski, Economic Development Director advised the county is using Coronavirus Relief Funds to assist local business. Mr. Modranski advised that a grant application was sent out and there were 20 applicants. Mr. Modranski advised that he will be announcing the awards totaling \$163,500.00 to 18 county businesses that met the qualifications for the grant. Mr. Modranski advised that the majority of the awards will go to restaurants. Mr. Modranski advised that the COVID-19 pandemic has hurt restaurants, but they are resilient. Many of restaurants offered different solutions, including carry-out, curb-side pick-up and some were able to offer outside dining. Mr. Modranski advised that the grant applications came from all over the county, not just one area. Mr. Modranski advised that an application was received from a local foreclosure clean up business that has had no business at all due to the mandate of no foreclosures until the end of the year. Mr. Sprague asked about qualifications and what expenses qualify for grant. Mr. Modranski advised that businesses must have a minimum of 2 and less than 25 full time equivalent employees, gross less than \$2,000,000.00, at least 10% loss from last year. Mr. Modranski advised that nonprofits and businesses who receive the majority of their sales from alcohol or tobacco are not eligible. Business can use funds to help with payroll expenses and loss of supplies such as food due to closure. Mr. Sprague advised that Mr. Modranski has outdone what is being done in Columbus and has done a wonderful job with this program. Mr. Sprague advised that he is asking for the state legislature to enact a similar state-level program with \$100,000,000.00 from CARES Act funds. Mr. Sprague advised that the state treasury still has \$1,700,000,000.00 of CARES Act funds left to be spent. Mr. Sprague congratulated Mr. Modranski for his work on this grant program as it had many requirements to follow to be eligible for CARES Act funding. Mr. Sprague advised that he has traveled across the state and has noticed that small businesses have been impacted the most. Mr. Sprague advised that small businesses tend to shop locally so this grant money may go back into local economy and help other businesses. Commissioner Wirkner advised that the Board of Commissioners commissioned a committee to assist Mr. Modranski with the grant process. Commissioner Wirkner advised that the requests for funds were reviewed by the committee which then decided the grant awards. Commissioner Wirkner credited Mr. Modranski for organizing committee and setting up the meetings. Mr. Sprague asked Mr. Yeager if the county has a land bank. Mr. Yeager answered that the county does not. Mr. Sprague asked about the county's investment income. Mr. Yeager stated that the county's investment income has dropped and continue to drop. Mr. Sprague asked if the county has used the State Treasury Asset Reserve (STAR) Ohio program. Mr. Sprague advised that the STAR Ohio Program is designed to help the county with its investments. Mr. Sprague advised that the program searches the market place for a good yield while minimizing risk. Mr. Sprague advised that the STAR Ohio program does have the backing of the State Treasury. Mr. Sprague advised that there is the Ohio Market Access Program for a construction note that the State Treasury would provide it backing. Mr. Sprague advised that the Treasury is offering another program that the Commissioners and Economic Development can utilize called Results Ohio. Mr. Sprague advised that this program is designed help the private sector solve public sector problems. If the solution works, the public sector will pay for it. This is designed to help with pilot programs, if the program is successful, the program will get reimbursed. This allows nimble programs to get started and not have to be paid for unless they are successful. Mr. Sprague advise that there are three different levels of funds available: a federal, state, and local fund. Commissioner Wirkner advised that the county can use any tools that can be available. Mr. Sprague advised that there are only a few programs like this in the nation. Mr. Sprague asked Ms. Fairclough what state needs to know. Ms. Lynn advised that Carroll County has survived the crisis so far and that the CARES Act funding has helped. Mr. Sprague advised that every time there is a problem, Ohio is resilient in solving those problem. Mr. Sprague advised that the Utica Shale has been an advantage in Eastern Ohio. Mr. Sprague advised that it is worth making the investments in the Utica Shale now, especially with low interest rates, to help combat a competitive market. Commissioner Wirkner asked if Mr. Sprague visited Carroll County before. Mr. Sprague answered that he has. Commissioner Wirkner thanked Mr. Sprague for visiting in person.

**IN THE MATTER OF
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – CARES ACT GRANT**


 10:58 AM

Christopher Modranski, Clerk advised that Board did approve to spend \$150,000.00 for the CARES Act Small Business Assistance Grant. Mr. Modranski advised that he received 18 applications that totaled \$163,500.00. Mr. Modranski asked for the Board's approval for an additional \$13,500.00 for the grant be able to award all applications. Mr. Modranski advised that he will contact the businesses today. Commissioner Wirkner asked if it was a unanimous decision by the committee. Mr. Modranski answered yes.

Motion: to authorize an additional \$13,500.00 to the Carroll County CARES Act Small Business Assistance Grant, **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.


 11:00 AM

**IN THE MATTER OF
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

 11:00 AM


Christopher Modranski, Clerk advised that Bill Arnett of Ohio SE came to Carroll County to visit three sites. Mr. Modranski advised that the first site they visited was Millers Rolling Acres Metal in Augusta Township. Mr. Modranski advised that they have been working on a road improvement project with Economic Development, Community Improvement Corporation (CIC), the Augusta Township Trustees, and the owners of Millers Rolling Acres Metal. Mr. Modranski advised that they had originally applied for an Ohio Mid-Eastern Governments Association (OMEGA) grant, but was not awarded. Mr. Modranski advised that they plan to apply for an Appalachian Regional Commission grant to secure additional funds for the project. The project is estimated to be around \$600,000.00. Mr. Modranski advised that they are looking for other funding sources to help with the project. Mr. Modranski advised that the second stop was at American Axle & Manufacturing (AAM) / Colfor. Unfortunately, there was a natural gas leak and they were unable to visit the site. Mr. Modranski advised that repairs are coming along at the AAM / Colfor and some employees have come back to work. Mr. Modranski was able to speak with the architect in charge of the rebuild and advised that the project is moving rapidly. The third stop was at the new Golden Protective Services (GPS) property. Mr. Modranski advised that GPS purchased property at the industrial drive complex. Mr. Modranski advised that they toured the property and discussed GPS's investment in the county. Mr. Modranski advised that they are working towards an incentive package through the state of Ohio. Mr. Modranski advised that GPS plans to finalize the new property in 2021.

**IN THE MATTER OF
CLERK'S REPORT – GORAIL LETTER OF SUPPORT**

 11:04 AM


Christopher Modranski, Clerk advised that an advocate from GoRail appeared before the Board asking for a letter of support Stagers Rail Act. Mr. Modranski advised that the Board submitted letter and recently received an email stating that the Board's letter was received and was sent along with over 1,000 other letters to the U.S. Congress to show support for the passage of the Stagers Rail Act.

**IN THE MATTER OF
CLERK'S REPORT – MARCS GRANT LETTER OF SUPPORT**

 11:05 AM

Christopher Modranski, Clerk advised that Board also submitted letter of support for the county's fire departments Multi-Agency Radio Communication System (MARCS) grant. Mr. Modranski advised that he sought letters of support from State Representative Don Jones, State Senator Frank Hoagland, and U.S. Representative Bill Johnson. Mr. Modranski advised that he has received letters of support from all three offices and will forward those letters to the Carroll County Fire Chiefs association to complete their application for the grant. Mr. Modranski advised that this grant will provide up to \$50,000.00 to every fire department in the county to purchase MARCS radios.

**IN THE MATTER OF
CLERK'S REPORT – COVID-19**


 11:07 AM

Christopher Modranski, Clerk advised that the Clorox 360 sprayers are scheduled to be delivered today sometime before 2:00 p.m. Mr. Modranski advised that the devices and chemicals were purchased with the CARES Act funds. Commissioner Ohler thanked Mr. Modranski for his work. Commissioner Wirkner noted the State Treasurer's approval of the Carroll County CARES Act Small Business Assistance grant program.

**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.

 11:08 AM

PREPARED BY:

/s/ Ronald M. Nuzzolillo, Jr.
Ronald M. Nuzzolillo Jr, 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
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/s/ Lewis A. Mickley
Lewis A. Mickley, Commissioner