

Present: Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler and Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski. **Absent:** President Robert E. Wirkner
Also present to observe: Carol McIntire, Carroll County Messenger and Nancy Schaar, Free Press Standard.

**IN THE MATTER OF
 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

 9:00 AM

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

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

 9:01 AM

Commissioner Modranski: Present; Commissioner Ohler: Present; Commissioner Wirkner: Absent

**IN THE MATTER OF
 RECORDINGS OF PROCEEDINGS**

 9:01 AM

Melissa N. Schaar, Clerk 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, September 2, 2021 and electronic recording of the proceedings, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler and Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski; NEY: None; ABSENT: President Robert E. Wirkner; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski, **Seconded by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler.

Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:01 AM

**IN THE MATTER OF
 EXPENSES**

Motion: to approve the following travel and membership expenses:

NAME, TITLE	DEPT.	EVENT	LOCATION	DATE	AMOUNT (not to exceed)
Ronald M. Nuzzolillo, Jr., Director of Special Projects	Commissioners	CORSA Annual Meeting	Columbus, OH	9/10/21	\$180.00
Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski	Commissioners	HARCATUS Executive Board meeting	New Philadelphia, OH	9/15/21	\$28.50
Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski	Commissioners	Muskingum Watershed Legislative meeting	Scio, OH	9/17/21	\$26.00
Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski Ronald M. Nuzzolillo, Jr., Director of Special Projects	Commissioners	OMEGA Semi-Annual Membership meeting	Millersburg, OH	9/21/21	\$105.00
Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski	Commissioners	OhioSE Local Partner meeting	Cambridge, OH	9/29/21	\$75.04
Kate Offenberger, Director	JFS	East Central District Directors meeting	Wayne Co., OH	Retroactive to 9/7/21	-0-

Action: Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler and Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski; NEY: None; ABSENT: President Robert E. Wirkner; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski, **Seconded by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler. Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:02 AM

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

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

FUND	FROM		TO		AMOUNT
	NAME	CODE	NAME	CODE	
A002	Child Support	0140-A002-C26.000	Travel Fund	0250-A006-B08.050	\$1,000.00

Action: Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler and Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski; NEY: None; ABSENT: President Robert E. Wirkner; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski, **Seconded by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler. Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:02 AM

**IN THE MATTER OF
 2021 ANNUAL REPORT – CARROLL COUNTY PROSECUTOR’S OFFICE**

 9:02 AM

Commissioner Ohler advised Prosecutor Steven D. Barnett filed his 2021 Annual Report for the Carroll County Prosecutor’s Office. A copy of the report is on file in the Commissioners’ Office.

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: Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler and Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski; NEY: None; ABSENT: President Robert E. Wirkner; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski, **Seconded by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler.

Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:03 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 Bank, \$800.00 & Huntington Bank, \$75.70.

DJFS: None

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

Motion failed due to lack of votes.

 9:04 AM

IN THE MATTER OF**APPOINTMENTS****CORSA**

Motion: to appoint Commissioner Robert E. Wirkner as the Official Voting Representative for the County Risk Sharing Authority Annual meeting and Ronald M. Nuzzolillo Jr as the Alternate, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler and Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski; NEY: None; ABSENT: President Robert E. Wirkner; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski, **Seconded by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler.

Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:04 AM

IN THE MATTER OF**AGREEMENT/CONTRACT****CARROLL COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT**

Motion: to approve a contract with Carroll County General Health District of Carrollton, Ohio, in the amount not to exceed \$8,000.00 for tuberculosis testing and surveillance as required within Section 339.72 of the Ohio Revised Code for a term retroactive to January 1, 2021 to July 1, 2022, **Action** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler and Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski; NEY: None; ABSENT: President Robert E. Wirkner; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski, **Seconded by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler.

Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:04 AM

IN THE MATTER OF**ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES - REFINANCE**

Motion: to authorize the Board Vice-President to sign the Term Sheet for Account 9434 and the Term Sheet for Account 9435 for the Environmental Services refinance, **Action** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler and Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski; NEY: None; ABSENT: President Robert E. Wirkner; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski, **Seconded by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler. Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:05 AM

IN THE MATTER OF**WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN FUND****2022 APPLICATION**

Motion: to apply for the 2022 Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Household Sewer Treatment System funding in the amount of \$150,000 and to authorize Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler sign the Nomination Form and application documents, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler and Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski; NEY: None; ABSENT: President Robert E. Wirkner; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski, **Seconded by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler. Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:06 AM

IN THE MATTER OF**PROCLAMATION****SEPTEMBER 11, PATRIOT DAY, A DAY TO REMEMBER**

 9:06 AM

Commissioner Ohler read the Proclamation.

Motion: to adopt a proclamation for September 11, Patriot Day, A Day to Remember, in remembrance of those innocent victims who died September 11, 2001, **Action:** Upon the call of the roll, vote was recorded as follows: YEA: Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler

and Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski; NEY: None; ABSENT: President Robert E. Wirkner; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski, **Seconded by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler.

Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:06 AM

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

 9:10 AM

Kelly Engelhart, Carroll County Health Commissioner appeared before the Board to provide the weekly COVID-19 update. Ms. Engelhart advised that there is a surge in COVID cases in Carroll County, and the nation. Ms. Engelhart advised that Carroll County is currently at 126 cases for September. This is the number as of yesterday for the first 8 days of September. To put this number in perspective, there were 235 cases in August and 44 cases in July. Ms. Engelhart advised that the cases are predominantly the Delta variant. Ms. Engelhart advised that there has been an increase in the number of deaths. There were two deaths in August, a 43-year-old female and a 70-year-old male; and two deaths in September so far, a 76-year-old female and a 53-year-old male. All four residents were hospitalized. Ms. Engelhart advised that there are currently 194 active cases and five outbreaks, two in long-term care facilities and three outbreaks in schools. Ms. Engelhart advised that over 100 cases per 100,000 population is considered a high case rate, and Carroll County is currently at 419 cases per 100,000 population. Ms. Engelhart advised that 38.2% of Carroll County population has started their vaccine, and 36.8% are fully vaccinated. This number is much lower than she would like it to be. Ms. Engelhart advised that her office has increased testing at the Health Department. Testing and vaccinations are available Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Residents are asked to call and schedule an appointment so that the appropriate staff can be available. Ms. Engelhart advised that vaccine appointments are available until 6:00 p.m. on Thursdays. Ms. Engelhart advised that 152 residents have been tested in the first eight days of September. 43 of those residents tested positive, for a positivity rate of 28.2%. Ms. Engelhart advised that not all of those tests were done on symptomatic residents. Many residents were in need of a negative test in order to travel, attend a concert, etc. Ms. Engelhart advised that her office is not the only place reporting positive cases, but they are the only place in Carroll County doing the rapid tests. Ms. Engelhart advised that the Delta variant is different because, due to the mutations, it is much more contagious and can infect more people. With the COVID virus that presented in March 2020, if a person was infected with COVID and the virus began to replicate, then the infected person could infect two people. What they are seeing with the Delta variant is, that it replicates quickly, and one person can infect six people. Ms. Engelhart advised that the Delta variant is an opportunistic infection that seeks out the vulnerable, which is mostly the unvaccinated population. Ms. Engelhart advised that in Carroll County and across the nation, they are seeing breakthrough cases in vaccinated residents. Ms. Engelhart advised that this is not uncommon, and the goal of the vaccine during the pandemic is to prevent hospitalization and death. Ms. Engelhart advised that vaccinated residents can contract COVID and they can transmit COVID, but at a much lower rate than unvaccinated individuals. Ms. Engelhart advised that because vaccinated residents have the antibodies, they have the ability to break down the amount of the viral load, so there is not as much virus being transmitted. Ms. Engelhart advised that her office is encouraging everyone to mask in an indoor setting, regardless of vaccination status. Ms. Engelhart advised that the Health Department is not giving out orders, only recommendations based on the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Ohio Department of Health (ODH). Ms. Engelhart advised that each business/organization can make their own mask policy. Ms. Engelhart advised that her office has been trying to educate as they are getting a lot of questions regarding the Delta variant, why Delta is different than the original COVID, and why the schools are requiring students to mask. Ms. Engelhart advised that the schools are implementing the mask policy so that students do not have to quarantine. Ms. Engelhart advised that Carroll County's transmission level is very high and whatever is trending in the community will be mirrored in the schools. Ms. Engelhart advised that the only way to prevent that level of transmission is to mask and to vaccinate those that are able to be vaccinated. Ms. Engelhart advised that students under the age of 12 still cannot be vaccinated, so all of those students are at risk. Commissioner Modranski asked Ms. Engelhart what constitutes an outbreak. Ms. Engelhart advised that an outbreak is reported to ODH when there are two or more cases in a specific facility, and it is documented that the transmission is occurring within the facility. If the cases are from household exposure, not from the facility, then that is not considered an outbreak. Ms. Engelhart advised that Brown Local Schools currently has at least 30 cases; Carrollton has cases; and Conotton Valley had an estimated five cases before school even started, related to extracurricular activities. Commissioner Modranski asked if Ms. Engelhart has a breakdown of the age groups for the current cases. Ms. Engelhart advised that she did not have that data with her, but advised that, anecdotally, most of the cases are in the 40 and younger population, which is the majority of the population that is not vaccinated. Commissioner Ohler thanked Ms. Engelhart for her update.

**IN THE MATTER OF
CLERK'S REPORT**

 9:21 AM

Ronald M. Nuzzolillo Jr, Assistant Clerk I advised that the Commissioners' Office will be closed tomorrow, Friday, September 10, 2021. Mr. Nuzzolillo advised that he will be out of the office to attend the Annual CORSA Meeting, and Melissa Schaar, Clerk is scheduled to be out of the office.

**IN THE MATTER OF
CLERK'S REPORT**

 9:21 AM

Ronald M. Nuzzolillo Jr, Assistant Clerk I advised that the Carroll County General Health District will hold a "Retire the Tire Event" on Friday, September 10, 2021 at the Carroll County Fair Grounds. The event will be from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Mr. Nuzzolillo advised that this free tire recycling event, funded by the Ohio EPA, is for Carroll County residents only. Proof of residency is required. Residents can bring up to 10 car or light truck tires. No rims will be accepted.

IN THE MATTER OF

CLERK'S REPORT

 9:22 AM

Ronald M. Nuzzolillo Jr, Assistant Clerk I advised that Saturday, September 11, 2021 there will be a memorial event for the 20th anniversary of the attacks on September 11, 2001 at the Carrollton High School Performing Arts Center. The event will begin with a procession of emergency vehicles that will start at the fairgrounds and end at the high school. Line up for the procession is at 10:30 a.m. and the event at the high school will begin at 11:30 a.m. Mr. Nuzzolillo advised that the keynote speaker will be Dr. Mandal Haas. Other speakers include Dustin Lucas, Eddie McLean, Mark Marchetta and Geno Cook. The Belltower will be lit red to in remembrance of the attacks.

**IN THE MATTER OF
CLERK'S REPORT**

 9:22 AM

Ronald M. Nuzzolillo Jr, Assistant Clerk I advised that the Board of Elections is looking for a Full-time Clerk. The applicant must be a registered democrat elector in the county. Mr. Nuzzolillo advised that the Engineer's Office is accepting applications for the Highway Worker IV position until 3:30 p.m. on Friday, September 10, 2021.

**IN THE MATTER OF
ADJOURN**

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

Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:23 AM

PREPARED BY:

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

We hereby certify the foregoing to be true and correct.

/s/ Melissa N. Schaar
Melissa N. Schaar, Clerk
/s/ Robert E. Wirkner
Robert E. Wirkner, President

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CARROLL COUNTY

Absent
Robert E. Wirkner, President
/s/ Jeffrey L. Ohler
Jeffrey L. Ohler, Vice President
/s/ Christopher R. Modranski
Christopher R. Modranski, Commissioner