


**Present:** President Christopher R. Modranski, Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler and Commissioner 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 Modranski 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 Modranski: Present; Commissioner Ohler: Present; Commissioner Wirkner: Present


**IN THE MATTER OF  
RECORDINGS OF PROCEEDINGS**

 9:00 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, February 17, 2022 and electronic recording of the proceedings, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Christopher R. Modranski, Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler and Commissioner Robert E. Wirkner; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Robert E. Wirkner, **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)
Jeffrey L. Ohler, Commissioner	Commissioners	MCJAS	Canton, OH	Retroactive to 2/22/22	\$32.00
Seth McNutt, SSWII Tara Stevens, SSWII	JFS	CW3 Legal Aspects of Family- Centered Child Training	Cambridge, OH	Retroactive to 2/15-16/22	-0-
Leah Batson, Social Services Supervisor	JFS	Assessor Tier II Achieving Permanency	Cambridge, OH	*REVISED DATE 2/28/22	-0-
Seth McNutt, SSWII Tara Stevens, SSWII Fleishia Wahlen, SSWII	JFS	CW3 Learning Lab Assessment Skills for Gathering Facts	Cambridge, OH	4/6-7/22	-0-
Wendy Boggess, Chief Probation Officer Jessie Kirkpatrick, Probation Officer Nick Yingling, Probation Office	Probate/Juvenile	Intercourt Conference	Columbus, OH	3/10-11/22	\$1,300.00

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

 9:01 AM

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

 9:02 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:** Dynegy, \$4,291.66; Trumbull Industries, \$1,500.00; Graphic Enterprises, \$319.98; and Staples, \$418.22.


**DJFS:** Halfhill, Julie, \$3,100.00; Stark County Treasurer, \$4,656.00; PA Fund, \$1,113.71; Journey Home Foster Care, \$10,847.00; Stark County Treasurer, \$5,069.76; Allison, Casey, \$775.00; McFadden Insurance Agency, \$125.00; Carroll County Treasurer, \$1,820.11; The Village Network, \$9,300.00; Eastern Gateway Community College, \$3,551.61; Stark County Treasurer, \$12,817.38; Eastern Gateway Community, \$6,513.26; Office Depot, \$1,352.88; Bailey, Jamie Mitchell, \$1,125.00; Redemption, Inc., \$5,735.00; Eastern Gateway Community, \$1,481.41; Kendall Behavioral Solutions, \$750.00; Shepherd, Sara, \$150.00; Youth Intensive Services, \$4,030.00; George Junior Republic in Penn, \$9,593.36; and BHC Belmont Pine Hospital, Inc., \$11,067.00.

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


 9:02 AM

**IN THE MATTER OF  
ESTABLISHMENT OF FUNDS**

**Motion:** to establish a new fund titled 80203 Equitable Deferred Comp, and a new fund title 80204 Equitable Roth; no approval is necessary from the state auditor, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Robert E. Wirkner and Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler; NEY: None; ABSENT: Commissioner Christopher R. Modranski; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, **Seconded by** President Robert E. Wirkner.  
Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:02 AM


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

 9:02 AM

Cason Leggett, Dog Warden, filed his report for the week of February 13, 2022 to February 19, 2022 showing 4 dogs impounded, 1 adopted out, 4 redeemed, 0 euthanized, 0 citation(s) for no license, and 0 citation(s) for running at large.


**IN THE MATTER OF  
COMMUNITY IMPACT HOUSING & PRESERVATION GRANT  
PY2021**

**Motion:** to authorize the Board President to sign the Request for Release of Funds and Certification for Federally Funded State Projects for the PY2021 Community Impact Housing & Preservation grant, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Christopher R. Modranski, Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler and Commissioner Robert E. Wirkner; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Robert E. Wirkner, **Seconded by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler.  
Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:03 AM


**IN THE MATTER OF  
COMMUNITY IMPACT HOUSING & PRESERVATION GRANT  
SATISFACTION OF MORTGAGE**

**Motion:** to approve a Satisfaction of Mortgage for Mary Louise Passwater’s CHIP rehab in the amount of \$32,776.00 due to receipt of the payoff amount, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Christopher R. Modranski, Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler and Commissioner Robert E. Wirkner; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, **Seconded by** Commissioner Robert E. Wirkner.  
Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:03 AM


**IN THE MATTER OF  
SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT  
CHIP GRANT – BRYAN S. PARSONS**

**Motion:** to approve a Subordination Agreement on the mortgage and note signed by Bryan S. Parsons in the amount of \$7,047.00 on property located at 7026 Lilac Rd. NW, Minerva in Brown Township; the mortgage and note are through the CHIP Grant, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Christopher R. Modranski, Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler and Commissioner Robert E. Wirkner; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Robert E. Wirkner, **Seconded by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler.  
Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:04 AM

**IN THE MATTER OF  
SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT  
CHIP GRANT – BRYAN S. PARSONS**

**Motion:** to approve a Subordination Agreement on the mortgage and note signed by Bryan S. Parsons in the amount of \$23,283.00 on property located at 7026 Lilac Rd. NW, Minerva in Brown Township; the mortgage and note are through the CHIP Grant, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Christopher R. Modranski, Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler and Commissioner Robert E. Wirkner; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Robert E. Wirkner, **Seconded by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler.  
Motion carried on unanimous vote.


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Commissioner Ohler asked who the new lender was and the amount of the mortgage. Melissa N. Schaar, Clerk advised that the lender is Ruoff Mortgage Company Inc., and the amount is \$89,750.00.

**IN THE MATTER OF  
SPECIAL HAULING PERMIT  
RAY H. MILLER LOGGING & LUMBER**

**Motion:** to approve a special hauling permit to Ray H. Miller Logging & Lumber DBA McKay Gross Division for hauling over Bachelor Road (CR 23) in Rose 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 Christopher R. Modranski, Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler and Commissioner Robert E. Wirkner; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Robert E. Wirkner, **Seconded by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler. Motion carried on unanimous vote.


 9:05 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. Carroll Electric Coop. for traffic control to replace electric pole in Fox Twp., Section 16, Avon Rd. (CR 21);
2. Carroll Electric Coop. for traffic control to replace electric pole in Fox Twp., Section 22, Clover Rd. (CR 70) and Avon Rd. (CR 21);

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


 9:06 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, 2022 to December 31, 2022, **Action** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: President Christopher R. Modranski, Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler and Commissioner Robert E. Wirkner; NEY: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Vice President Jeffrey L. Ohler, **Seconded by** Commissioner Robert E. Wirkner. Motion carried on unanimous vote.


 9:06 AM

**IN THE MATTER OF  
CARROLL GOLDEN AGE RETREAT  
MONTHLY UPDATE**

 9:07 AM


Dawn Faulk, Carroll Golden Age Retreat (CGAR) Superintendent appeared before the Board to provide the monthly CGAR update. Ms. Faulk advised that visitation has been going well, and residents are happy that visitors can come in now. Ms. Faulk advised that volunteers are able to come back and encouraged former volunteers to call Dawn or Kasey to let them know when they can start coming back in. Ms. Faulk advised that the HVAC project has not started due to a delay in equipment delivery. Ms. Faulk advised that CGAR is still doing their Mobility Program when they are able, but due to a shortage of nurse aides, she has to move the mobility aides to the nurse aide positions. Ms. Faulk advised that the Mobility Program has shown wonderful improvement for residents and she plans increase the program as soon as she is able to fill the nurse aide positions. Ms. Faulk advised that there have been three new admissions for February, and there are currently 27 female residents and eight male residents.

**IN THE MATTER OF  
TRANSIT  
MOBILITY MANAGER**

 9:10 AM

Sonja Trbovich, Transit Director appeared before the Board to introduce Jill Cunningham, Mobility Manager for Carroll County. Ms. Cunningham advised that she is the Mobility Manager for Tuscarawas, Carroll, and Harrison counties. Ms. Cunningham advised that she helps communities make connections with transportation providers. Ms. Cunningham advised that she works with Ohio Mid-Eastern Governments Association (OMEGA), who does the regional coordinated plan. Ms. Cunningham advised that her job is to network, meet with stakeholders, look for improvements in the program, and find and help fill the gaps in service. Commissioner Wirkner asked Ms. Cunningham who she is employed by. Ms. Cunningham advised that she is employed by the Tuscarawas County Senior Center, and the Mobility Program is an Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) 5310 Program, which is an 80/20 program. Currently, Tuscarawas County provides the matching funds, but they will be asking ODOT to cover more of the match because Ms. Cunningham covers more counties.

**IN THE MATTER OF  
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY  
WEATHER UPDATE**

 9:13 AM


Tom Cottis, Emergency Management Agency (EMA) Director appeared before the Board to provide an update on the approaching storm. Mr. Cottis advised that, once again, Carroll County appears to be in the band that will produce ice from approximately 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. tonight. Mr. Cottis advised that after the ice, the precipitation could turn to snow or rain, but difficult to predict at this point. Tonight's storm is coming in like the last storm, but won't have as much ice. Mr. Cottis predicts .06 to .2 inch of ice is

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likely. Commissioner Modranski asked when the ice will switch to rain or snow. Mr. Cottis advised that it will be after 11:00 p.m. tonight and will be a mess in the morning, either way. Mr. Cottis advised that the positive thing is, Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) can pretreat the roads this time because it will be snow flurries changing to ice, whereas last time, it rained first, so the pretreatment could not be applied.

**IN THE MATTER OF  
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY  
WEATHER UPDATE**

 9:15 AM


Tom Cottis, Emergency Management Agency (EMA) Director appeared before the Board to provide an update on the storm that began last Thursday, February 17, 2022. Mr. Cottis advised that there was a lot of snow ripe which turned into run-off. National Weather Service (NWS) has estimated that the melting snow ripe turned in to 2-1/2 inches of run-off. Mr. Cottis advised that the high temperatures, combined with the rain and the rapid run-off equaled to over 4 inches of water going into the waterways. The water north of Carrollton went to Sandy Creek which had a lot of water. Mr. Cottis advised that residents near Lake Mohawk were calling to complain about Lake Mohawk releasing the water. Mr. Cottis advised that Lake Mohawk did not release water, and as of yesterday, Lake Mohawk is still up 13 inches, which is approximately 165 million gallons of water. Mr. Cottis advised that if Lake Mohawk had let the water go, it would have gone over the emergency overflow, and that did not happen. Mr. Cottis advised that Carroll County is nowhere near being able to do a declaration for damages. One of the differences between this event, and the previous flooding events is, 28 mobile homes in the Brown Township area are gone due to the mitigation buy-out programs, several homes have burned, and several are vacant. The remaining homes received funds in 2003, 2004, and 2008 and they will not be eligible to receive any more funds. This makes it hard to get a declaration when 20 destroyed homes is what the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) requires. Mr. Cottis advised that water has to be in the living area of the home, not just the basement, to qualify. Mr. Cottis advised that there is not enough damage on the private side. Numbers have been run for the public side, and they are not enough, either. Harrison County was able to file a declaration. If Harrison County's declaration gets approved, there is a possibility that Loudon and Perry townships could be included for their road damages. Mr. Cottis discussed damages in the previous events that helped Carroll County reach the dollar amount needed to get a declaration. Mr. Cottis advised that he had Devin Herrington, EMA Deputy Director watch the Riverview Drive area in case residents need help getting out. The creek crested and then began to recede, and there were no issues. The Conotton Creek crested on Saturday. Mr. Cottis advised that the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) has been doing a great job. State Route 212 is still open as of this morning. The local reservoirs are up over summer pool right now. The USACE has been careful to release water in stages so that towns downstream remain safe. Commissioner Modranski asked if the pool levels will be brought back down, if conditions allow. Mr. Cottis advised that Leesville has to go down below the pool level due to the sewer project that will be starting. It will be a gradual process. Commissioner Wirkner advised that he wanted to clarify a few things about the county requesting assistance. Homes cannot just be surrounded by water, there has to be water in the living area of the home. Mr. Cottis advised that residents of a home on Azalea Road, just over the railroad tracks, advised that they would leave their home that night and ended up calling the next morning to request help getting out. Mr. Cottis advised that responders were able to get the family out safely. The family tried to get assistance, but there was no water in the living area and they still had power, so they do not qualify. Mr. Cottis advised that the family will be meeting with the Red Cross. Mr. Cottis advised that two percent of the population has to be affected to receive assistance. Mr. Cottis advised that the flood levels from 2003 and 2004 were high, and Carroll County is nowhere near those levels now.

**IN THE MATTER OF  
BELL TOWER**

 9:27 AM


Tom Cottis, Emergency Management Agency (EMA) Director appeared before the Board to thank the Board for lighting the Bell Tower green in support of the Novak and Imes families. Mr. Cottis advised that the community has come together over this tragedy. Mr. Cottis advised that there is power in this community and he hopes that it stays that way. Commissioner Modranski advised that it is one of the best parts about living in this community.

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

 9:27 AM


Ronald M. Nuzzolillo Jr, Assistant Clerk I advised that in honor of the life and service of Jefferson County Sheriff Fred Abdalla, Governor DeWine has ordered the flags of the United States and the State of Ohio be flown at half-staff upon all public buildings and grounds throughout Jefferson County until sunset on the day of his funeral. All other public buildings and grounds throughout the state may fly the flags of the United States and the State of Ohio at half-staff at their discretion for the same time period. An email has been sent to inform county buildings to lower their flags.

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

 9:28 AM


Ronald M. Nuzzolillo Jr, Assistant Clerk I advised that there are several items up for auction listed on GovDeals.com. There is a metal divided shelf, a lot of miscellaneous computer equipment, a server chassis, and a baby gate. Mr. Nuzzolillo advised that bidding for all items will close on Monday, February 28, 2022. Anyone wanting to view the items up for bid can do so by clicking on the GovDeals link in the Public Notices section of the county's website.

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

 9:28 AM


Ronald M. Nuzzolillo Jr, Assistant clerk I advised that Tonya Myers, Friendship Center Director wanted to thank everyone who came through yesterday for their soup and salad fundraiser for the two Conotton Valley High School student. Ms. Myers advised that they raised \$907.00 for the Novak and Imes families.

**IN THE MATTER OF  
GOVDEALS**

 9:29 AM


Commissioner Wirkner advised that GovDeals has been an efficient way for the county to dispose of surplus assets. Previously, assets to be sold had to be stored until the yearly sale which meant that some items could end up damaged before the sale.

**IN THE MATTER OF  
EMERGENCY SERVICES RECOGNITION**

 9:29 AM

Commissioner Wirkner advised that the Emergency Services Appreciation Selection Committee will be meeting at 1:00 p.m. today.

**IN THE MATTER OF  
BOARD OF ELECTION  
MAY 2022 PRIMARIES**


 9:30 AM

Commissioner Modranski advised that a legislative alert was received from the County Commissioners Association of Ohio (CCAO) with an update on the May 3<sup>rd</sup> Primary Election. Commissioner Modranski shared the following information from the alert: "As of this morning, Ohio has not established new state legislative and congressional district lines. Previously redistricting plans have been overturned by the Ohio Supreme Court multiple times and are subject to ongoing litigation. The Ohio Redistricting Commission will meet today and tomorrow in an effort to produce maps that are constitutionally compliant, although the eventual outcome of these efforts is unknown. Regardless of the product of those discuss, it appears that the May 3<sup>rd</sup> primary election is in significant jeopardy. [Tuesday], Ohio Secretary of State Frank LaRose issued a directive to county boards of elections, directing them to prepare for a May 3<sup>rd</sup> primary that did not include state legislative and congressional contests. In a separate letter to legislative leaders outlining the numerous logistical challenges of May 3<sup>rd</sup> primary election, LaRose emphasized: 'Let me be clear on this point: it is impossible to see a scenario in which these maps are favorably passed by the Redistricting Commission, challenged by litigants, reviewed by a court, and given final approval within a timeframe conducive to a May 3, 2022, primary election date.' Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost yesterday also issued a letter to state lawmakers, outlining the General Assembly's legal options for conducting the primary election. One idea would be to move the entire primary election to a later date. Another alternative would be to bifurcate the primary, holding state legislative and congressional primary contests later in the year after redistricting disputes have been resolved while allowing all other contests to take place on May 3<sup>rd</sup>." Commissioner Modranski advised that if two primary elections have to be held, it will be a significant burden to the county. The estimate is \$50,000 to \$100,000, or more, for Carroll County to hold a second election. Commissioner Modranski advised that CCAO has sent a letter to the state requesting that the state pay for the cost of a second election, if needed. Commissioner Modranski advised that he had a meeting with the Board of Elections to discuss different options. Commissioner Wirkner advised that he saw an estimate for Carroll County to have a bifurcated primary could be as much as \$109,000. Commissioner Modranski advised that the cost is not the only concern. Poll workers and voter confusion are issues of concern, as well.

**IN THE MATTER OF  
ADJOURN**

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

Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:34 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/ Christopher R. Modranski  
Christopher R. Modranski, President

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CARROLL COUNTY**

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