



**Present:** Vice President Robert E. Wirkner and Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II. **Absent:** President Christopher R. Modranski  
**Also present to observe:** Thomas Clapper, Carroll County Messenger and Georgette Huff, Free Press Standard.

**IN THE MATTER OF  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

 8:58 AM


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

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

 8:58 AM

Commissioner Leggett: Present; Commissioner Wirkner: Present; Commissioner Modranski: Absent

**IN THE MATTER OF  
RECORDINGS OF PROCEEDINGS**


 8:59 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 Monday, October 23, 2023 and electronic recording of the proceedings, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: Vice President Robert E. Wirkner and Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II; NEY: None; ABSENT: President Christopher R. Modranski; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II, **Seconded by** Vice President Robert E. Wirkner.

Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 8:59 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)
Robert E. Wirkner, Commissioner	Commissioners	RTIP Meeting	Minerva, OH	Retroactive to 10/20/23	\$20.00
Robert E. Wirkner, Commissioner	Commissioners	CCAOSC Energy Committee Annual Meeting	Columbus, OH	Retroactive to 10/25/23	\$130.00
Donald E. Leggett II, Commissioner	Commissioners	MCJAS Trustees Meeting	Canton, OH	10/31/23	\$40.00

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

Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 8:59 AM


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

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

FUND	NAME	CODE	AMOUNT
20865	Reimbursements	20865-51400-58000	\$36,160.78

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

Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:00 AM


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

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

FUND	FROM		TO		AMOUNT
	NAME	CODE	NAME	CODE	
20410	Other Expenses	20410-11103-56090	Equipment	20410-11103-54440	\$3,000.00

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


Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:00 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: Vice President Robert E. Wirkner and Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II; NEY: None; ABSENT: President Christopher R. Modranski; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II, **Seconded by** Vice President Robert E. Wirkner.

Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:01 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:** Family Office Equipment, \$447.50; Family Office Equipment, \$447.50; Ohio CSEA Directors Association, \$4,033.00; Village of Carrollton, \$3,963.62; & Carlson Software Inc, \$1,005.00.


**DJFS:** None.

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

Motion carried on unanimous vote.


 9:01 AM

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

 9:01 AM

Cason Leggett, Dog Warden, filed his report for the week of October 15, 2023 to October 21, 2023 showing 5 dogs impounded, 2 adopted out, 0 redeemed, 0 euthanized, 0 citation(s) for no license, and 1 citation(s) for running at large.

**IN THE MATTER OF  
TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSING**

 9:02 AM

Commissioner Wirkner advised that Bedrock Road (CR 29) will continue to be closed to traffic 2,000 feet north of its intersection with Avalon Road (CR 20) in Harrison Township for the purpose of expanding the scope of work to replace the bridge superstructure over Willow Run. The road should be reopened to traffic on approximately February 1, 2024. Residents are advised to re-route using Avalon Road (CR 20) and Waynesburg Road (SR 171).


**IN THE MATTER OF  
SPECIAL HAULING PERMIT  
J GREEN EXCAVATING, LLC**

**Motion:** to approve the following special hauling permit(s) as recommended by Brian J. Wise, County Engineer:


- 1. J Green Excavating, LLC for hauling over Ascot Rd. (CR 16) in Center Township; a \$10,000.00 bond has been provided as required by Brian J. Wise, County Engineer;

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

Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:03 AM

**IN THE MATTER OF  
2023 PAVEMENT MARKING PROJECT T-1-2023  
CHANGE ORDER – AERO-MARK COMPANY, LLC**


 9:05 AM

Commissioner Leggett asked for the reason for the change order. Commissioner Wirkner answered it is for the addition of 1.21 miles of striping.

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**Motion:** to approve a change order for Aero-Mark Company, LLC. for the 2023 Pavement Marking Project T-1-2023. The original contract amount for this project was \$97,760.76, and the adjusted contract amount has been increased by \$2,214.30 due to the addition of 1.21 miles of striping. The new contract price is \$99,975.06, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: Vice President Robert E. Wirkner and Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II; NEY: None; ABSENT: President Christopher R. Modranski; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II, **Seconded by** Vice President Robert E. Wirkner.

Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:05 AM

**IN THE MATTER OF  
RESOLUTION #2023-37  
OPWC AUTHORIZATION**

**Motion:** to approve Resolution #2023-37 authorizing Brian J. Wise, County Engineer to prepare and submit an application to participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement and / or Local Transportation Improvement Programs and to execute contracts as required, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: Vice President Robert E. Wirkner and Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II; NEY: None; ABSENT: President Christopher R. Modranski; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II, **Seconded by** Vice President Robert E. Wirkner.  
Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:06 AM

**RESOLUTION #2023-35**  
**AUTHORIZING BRIAN J. WISE, ENGINEER, TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND / OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S) AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED**

**WHEREAS,** the State Capital Improvement Program and the Local Transportation Improvement Program both provide financial assistance to political subdivisions for capital improvements to public infrastructure, and

**WHEREAS,** Carroll County is planning to make capital improvements to:

**Blade Road, CR 32 Resurfacing**  
**Brenner Road, CR 38 Resurfacing**  
**Arbor Road, CR 14, Bridge Replacement, AUG-C14-0310**  
**Imperial Road, TR 180, Bridge Replacement, ROS-T180-2364**  
**Cutler Road, TR 111, Bridge Deck Replacement, ORA-T111-1651**  
**2024 Carroll County Resurfacing Program**

**WHEREAS,** the infrastructure improvement herein above described is considered to be a priority need for the community and is a qualified project under the OPWC programs,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by Carroll County:

**Section 1:** Brian J. Wise, Engineer, is hereby authorized to apply to the OPWC for funds as described above.

**Section 2:** Christopher Modranski, Carroll County Commissioner, is authorized to enter into any agreements as may be necessary and appropriate for obtaining this financial assistance.

**Section 3:** This Resolution shall supersede Resolution #2023-35 approved on October 16, 2023.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that this Board of Commissioners hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board which resulted in this formal action were taken in meetings open to the public in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including ORC 121.22.

Mr. Leggett moved for the adoption of the preceding Resolution;  
Mr. Wirkner seconded the motion.

Upon call of the roll the vote was recorded as follows:

Mr. Leggett, Yes; Mr. Modranski, Absent; Mr. Wirkner, Yes.

Motion carried on unanimous vote. Resolution adopted this 26<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2023.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
OF CARROLL COUNTY, OHIO

ATTEST:

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Absent  
Christopher R. Modranski, President


/s/ Ronald M. Nuzzolillo Jr.  
Ronald M. Nuzzolillo Jr, Assistant Clerk I

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

/s/ Donald E. Leggett II  
Donald E. Leggett II, Commissioner

**IN THE MATTER OF  
PROSECUTOR OPINION  
CARROLL COUNTY AGRICULTURE SOCIETY CONTRACT**


**Motion:** to send the contract with the Carroll County Agriculture Society to the Prosecutor for his review for form and function, **Action:** Vote was recorded as follows: YEA: Vice President Robert E. Wirkner and Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II; NEY: None; ABSENT: President Christopher R. Modranski; ABSTAIN: None, **Moved by** Commissioner Donald E. Leggett II, **Seconded by** Vice President Robert E. Wirkner. Motion carried on unanimous vote.

 9:07 AM


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CARROLL COUNTY AGRICULTURE SOCIETY CONTRACT**

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Motion carried on unanimous vote.


 9:08 AM

**IN THE MATTER OF  
CLERK’S REPORT**

 9:08 AM


Melissa N. Schaar, Clerk reminded viewers that Carroll County Caring Hands will be holding a bake sale tomorrow. The bake sale will be held on the second floor of the Courthouse from 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Stop by for some yummy treats and support a wonderful local charity. Ms. Schaar advised that this information has been shared to the Commissioners’ Facebook page.

**IN THE MATTER OF  
CLERK’S REPORT**

 9:09 AM


Melissa N. Schaar, Clerk advised that October 22 – 28, 2023 is National Lead Poisoning Prevention week. Lead is a highly toxic metal that can cause a range of health problems, especially in young children. Some common ways that children are exposed to lead include paint in homes built before 1978, drinking water, soil, toys and jewelry, and imported candy. The Carroll County General Health District can provide education and lead testing with an order. Residents can make appointments by calling the Health Department at 330.627.4866 and choose extension 1530. Ms. Schaar advised that this information has been shared to the Commissioners’ Facebook page.

**IN THE MATTER OF  
CLERK’S REPORT**

 9:09 AM


Melissa N. Schaar, Clerk appeared advised that early voting continues this week. The Board of Elections will be open today and tomorrow from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Hours will increase beginning next week. The full schedule has been shared to the Commissioners’ Facebook page.

**IN THE MATTER OF  
COUNTY ANNEX BUILDING**

 9:10 AM


Commissioner Leggett advised that he has meeting with architect next week to start the project at Annex Building on Moody Avenue.

**IN THE MATTER OF  
TENASKA, INC  
CARBON STORAGE**

 9:10 AM

Commissioner Wirkner advised that he has been receiving calls from residents about Tenaska, Inc. Commissioner Wirkner stated that the commissioners do not endorse Tenaska’s operations. The Board is only providing an update of activity in the county. Commissioner Wirkner recommended residents do their due diligence when deciding to enter into a contract with Tenaska, such as doing research about the company. Commissioner Wirkner also recommended that, similar to oil and gas leases, residents should talk with their neighbors to ensure all are getting a fair deal. Commissioner Wirkner recommended that residents seek legal help if they are unsure of entering into a contract with Tenaska.

**IN THE MATTER OF  
CCAOSC ENERGY COMMITTEE MEETING**

 9:12 AM

Commissioner Wirkner advised that he attended an energy summit through CCAO. Commissioner Wirkner advised that the purpose of the county consortium is to pool together resources to keep prices low. Commissioner Wirkner advised that 61 counties pooled together for natural gas, and 59 counties pooled together for electric. Commissioner Wirkner stated that the county started in the program back in January 2016. When the program started, the savings were modest due to a stable market. However, that has changed recently. Commissioner Wirkner advised that by joining the pool, the county has saved \$157,730. The reason behind the savings is due to the volatility of the market. Besides pooling resources, the county also saved money by hedging funds to cover any increase in costs. Commissioner Wirkner advised that in the 2024-2025 program year, the cost of electric generation will go up 22%. Because the county is pooled and has the hedge, the county will still continue to save money. Commissioner Wirkner advised that he spoke with other counties who are considering offering residents the option to aggregate electric costs. Commissioner Wirkner stated that there has been confusion between generation costs and transmission costs. Many residents in the county do not have the benefit of pooling in an aggregate for generation costs. Commissioner Wirkner suggested the Board should consider offering


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residents the option to aggregate. Georgett Huff, Free Press Standard asked how would that work. Commissioner Wirkner advised that there would be a ballot initiative that the voters would have to approve. Residents who already are in an aggregate, such as residents in the village of Carrollton, would not be included. Commissioner Wirkner advised that the first step is to see if the Board has any interest. Commissioner Leggett asked if this would leave out residents who are part of the co-op. Commissioner Wirkner answered no, he doesn't think so. Commissioner Wirkner stated that the residents will need to have a say whether they wish to aggregate or not. Ms. Huff stated that this would be confusing because not everyone has natural gas. Commissioner Wirkner advised that this would be for electric only. Commissioner Wirkner stated the reason for focusing on electric is due to the rise in costs of electricity. Ms. Huff asked if electric costs are really going up that much. Commissioner Wirkner answered yes, they are estimated to go up by 22%. Ms. Huff asked if the same energy provider serves the entire county. Commissioner Wirkner advised that a RFP would go out to various electric generators. A decision would be made to sign a contract with the generator who can provide electric at the lowest amount. Commissioner Wirkner advised that Palmer Energy is the administrator for the CCAO energy policy. The administrator also set up the hedge to keep costs low. Ms. Huff asked besides AEP and the co-op, who else provides electric in the county. Commissioner Wirkner stated that he knows there are others in the county but is not sure of the names. Commissioner Wirkner advised that he wanted to see the Boards interest before moving forward.

**IN THE MATTER OF  
ADJOURN**

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

 9:24 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/ Melissa N. Schaar  
Melissa N. Schaar, Clerk  
/s/ Christopher R. Modranski  
Christopher R. Modranski, President

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CARROLL COUNTY**

Absent  
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Christopher R. Modranski, President  
/s/ Robert E. Wirkner  
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Robert E. Wirkner, Vice President  
/s/ Donald E. Leggett II  
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Donald E. Leggett, Commissioner