St. Clairsville, Ohio October 31, 2018

The Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio, met this day in regular session. Present: J. P. Dutton, Josh Meyer and Mark A. Thomas, Commissioners and Jayne Long, Clerk of the Board.

MEETINGS ARE NOW BEING RECORDED ALL DISCUSSIONS ARE SUMMARIZED. FOR COMPLETE PROCEEDINGS PLEASE SEE CORRESPONDING CD FOR THIS MEETING DAY.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING RECAPITULATION

OF VOUCHERS FOR THE VARIOUS FUNDS

Motion made by Mr. Dutton, seconded by Mr. Meyer to approve and sign all bills that have been certified in the Auditor's office and considered by the Board. It is hereby ordered that the County Auditor issue his warrant on the County Treasurer in payment of the bills allowed:

IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$417,947.38

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dutton Yes Mr. Meyer Yes Mr. Thomas Yes

IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFERS WITHIN FUND

Motion made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Meyer to approve the following transfers within fund for the following funds:

A00 GENERAL FUND

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
E-0051-A001-A50.000 Budget Stabilization	E-0170-A006-G02.002 Salaries	\$12,500.00
E-0051-A001-A50.000 Budget Stabilization	E-0170-A006-G09.003 PERS	\$3,000.00
E-0051-A001-A50.000 Budget Stabilization	E-0170-A006-G10.000 Fringe Benefits	\$3,000.00
E-0131-A006-A02.002 Admin-Salaries	E-0131-A006-A25.000 Housing of Prisoners	\$40,000.00
K00 M.V.G.TENGINEERS	-	
FROM	TO	AMOUNT
E-2811-K000-K04.012 Equipment	E-2812-K000-K12.000 Road Materials	\$6,000.00
S12 BELMONT COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY		
FROM	ТО	AMOUNT
E-9799-S012-S07.000 Professional Services	E-9799-S012-S20.000 Property Sale/Purchase	\$84,500.00

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Thomas Yes Mr. Meyer Yes Mr. Dutton Yes

IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUND

Motion made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Meyer to approve the following transfers between funds as follows:

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FROM	TO	AMOUNT			
E-3702-P005-P34.074 Transfers Out	R-9206-O009-O08.574 Transfers In	\$27,213.91			
P53 SSD #2 REV FUND AND N14 SSD #2 CAPITAL IMP. FUND/BCSSD					
FROM	TO	AMOUNT			
E-3705-P053-P16.074 Transfers Out	R-9014-N014-N07.574 Transfers In	\$7,528.10			
P53 SSD #2 REV FUND AND O10 BOND RET-FORCE MAIN EXT PROJECT/BCSSD					
FROM	TO	AMOUNT			
E-3705-P053-P16.074 Transfers Out	R-9207-O010-O05.574 Transfers In	\$43,634.14			
P53 SSD #2 REV FUND AND O12 NEFFS BOND RET/BCSSD					
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FROM AMOUNT E-3705-P053-P16.074 Transfers Out R-9312-O012-O05.574 Transfers In \$16,666.92

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Thomas Yes Mr. Meyer Yes Mr. Dutton Yes

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING

THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATE/AUDITOR'S

Motion made by Mr. Dutton, seconded by Mr. Meyer to execute payment of Then and Now Certification dated __October 31, 2018, presented by the County Auditor pursuant to O.R.C. 5705.41(d) 1, and authorizing the drawing of warrant(s) in payment of amounts due upon contract to order.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dutton Yes Mr. Meyer Yes Mr. Thomas

IN THE MATTER OF GRANTING PERMISSION

FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO TRAVEL

Motion made by Mr. Dutton, seconded by Mr. Meyer granting permission for county employees to travel as follows:

AUDITORS-Doug DeVault to Reynoldsburg, OH, on November 13, 2018, to attend the fall training session for Weights & Measures with the Ohio Department of Agriculture. Estimated expenses: \$150.00

SARGUS- D.J. Watson to Geneva-on-the-Lake, OH, on October 31-November 2, 2018, to attend the Safe Crisis Management-Instructor Recertification training. Dave Trouten to Zanesville, OH, on November 1, 2018, to attend the Differentiation for All Learners seminar. SENIORS-Kathy Perticarini to Adena, OH, on November 5, 2018, for a senior outing to Altercare. Denise Starr to Sugar Creek, OH, on November 27, 2018, for a senior outing to Amish Theater. County vehicles will be used for travel.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dutton Yes Mr. Meyer Yes Mr. Thomas Yes

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING MINUTES OF REGULAR

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Motion made by Mr. Dutton, seconded by Mr. Meyer to approve the minutes of the Belmont County Board of Commissioners regular meeting of October 24, 2018.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dutton Yes Mr. Meyer Yes Mr. Thomas Yes

IN THE MATTER OF RESCINDING MOTION OF OCTOBER 10, 2018, ENTERING INTO AN OIL AND GAS LEASE WITH ASCENT RESOURCES-UTICA, LLC AND RE-ENTERING INTO SAME LEASE WITH EFFECTIVE DATE OF OCTOBER 31, 2018

Motion made by Mr. Dutton, seconded by Mr. Meyer to rescind the motion of October 10, 2018, to enter into an Oil and Gas Lease by and between the Belmont County Commissioners and Ascent Resources–Utica, LLC, effective October 10, 2018, in the amount of \$5,750 per net leasehold acre for 34.766 acres located in Richland Township, for a five-year term, 20% royalty, total payment amount: \$199,904.50 and reenter into the above lease with the effective date of October 31, 2018, with same terms.

Note: Ascent Resources require all three of the Commissioners to sign the lease, Commissioner Dutton was absent on October 10, 2018.

PAID UP OIL & GAS LEASE

Lease No. ____

This Lease made this <u>31st</u> day of <u>October</u> 2018, by and between:

The Belmont County Board of Commissioners, by J.P. Dutton as President, Josh Meyer as Vice President, and Mark A. Thomas as Commissioner, whose address is 101 West Main Street, St. Clairsville, OH 43950 hereinafter collectively called "Lessor," and Ascent Resources – Utica, LLC an Oklahoma Limited Liability Company, whose address is P.O. Box 13678, Oklahoma City, OK 73113, hereinafter called "Lessee."

WITNESSETH, that for and in consideration of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, and of the mutual covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth, the Lessor and Lessee agree as follows:

LEASING CLAUSE. Lessor hereby leases exclusively to Lessee all the oil and gas (including, but not limited to coal seam gas, coalbed methane gas, coalbed gas, methane gas, gob gas, occluded methane/natural gas and all associated natural gas and other hydrocarbons and non-hydrocarbons contained in, associated with, emitting from, or produced/originating within any formation, gob area, mined-out area, coal seam, and all communicating zones), and their liquid or gaseous constituents, whether hydrocarbon or non-hydrocarbon, underlying the land herein leased, together with such exclusive rights as may be necessary or convenient for Lessee, at its election, to explore for, develop, produce, measure, and market production from the Leasehold, or from other lands, using methods and techniques which are not restricted to current technology, including, without limitation, the right to conduct geophysical and other exploratory tests; to drill, maintain, operate, cease to operate, plug, abandon, and remove wells; to use or install roads over and across the Leasehold for use in development of the Leasehold or other lands, electric power and telephone facilities, water impoundments, and to construct pipelines with appurtenant facilities, including data acquisition, compression and collection facilities for use in the production and transportation of products from the Leasehold or from other lands across the Leasehold, to use oil, gas, and non-domestic water sources, free of cost, to store gas of any kind underground, regardless of the source thereof, including the injecting of gas therein and removing the same therefrom; to protect stored gas; to operate, maintain, repair, and remove material and equipment; to use and occupy the subsurface of the Leasehold for the drilling of a wellbore(s) for use in development of the Leasehold or other lands.

<u>DESCRIPTION.</u> The Leasehold is located in the Township of **Richland**, in the County of **Belmont**, in the State of **Ohio**, and described as follows:

Township: <u>07</u>; Range: <u>04</u>; Section <u>28</u>: Tax Parcel No.: <u>32-60179.000</u>, Containing <u>34.766000</u> acres

and described for the purposes of this agreement as containing a total of <u>34.766000</u> Leasehold acres, whether actually more or less, and including contiguous lands owned by Lessor. This Lease also covers and includes, in addition to that above described, all land, if any, contiguous or adjacent to or adjoining the land above described and (a) owned or claimed by Lessor, by limitation, prescription, possession, reversion or unrecorded instrument or (b) as to which Lessor has a preference right of acquisition. Lessor agrees to execute any supplemental instrument requested by Lessee for a more complete or accurate description of said land.

<u>LEASE TERM.</u> This Lease shall remain in force for a primary term of **Five (5)** years from 12:00 A.M. <u>October 31</u>, 2018 (effective date) to 11:59 P.M. <u>October 31</u>, 2023 (last day of primary term) and shall continue beyond the primary term as to the entirety of the Leasehold if any of the following is satisfied: (i) operations are conducted on the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith in search of oil, gas, or their constituents, or (ii) a well deemed by Lessee to be capable of production is located on the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith, or (iv) if the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith is used for the underground storage of gas, or for the protection of stored gas, or (v) if prescribed payments are made, or (vi) if Lessee's operations are delayed, postponed or interrupted as a result of any coal, stone or other mining or mining related operation under any existing and effective lease, permit or authorization covering such operations on the leased premises or on other lands affecting the leased premises, such delay will automatically extend the primary or secondary term of this oil and gas lease without additional compensation or performance by Lessee for a period of time equal to any such delay, postponement or interruption.

If there is any dispute concerning the extension of this Lease beyond the primary term by reason of any of the alternative mechanisms specified herein, the payment to the Lessor of the prescribed payments provided below shall be conclusive evidence that the Lease has been extended beyond the primary term.

EXTENSION OF PRIMARY TERM. Lessee has the option to extend the primary term of this Lease for one additional term of **Five** (5) years from the expiration of the primary term of this Lease; said extension to be under the same terms and conditions as contained in this Lease. Lessee may exercise this option to extend this Lease if on or before the expiration date of the primary term of this Lease, Lessee pays or tenders to the Lessor or to the Lessor's credit an amount equal to the initial consideration given for the execution hereof. Exercise of this option is at Lessee's sole discretion and may be invoked by Lessee where no other alternative of the Lease Term clause extends this Lease beyond the primary term.

NO AUTOMATIC TERMINATION OR FORFEITURE.

(A) CONSTRUCTION OF LEASE: The language of this Lease (including, but not limited to, the Lease Term and Extension of Term clauses) shall never be read as language of special limitation. This Lease shall be construed against termination, forfeiture, cancellation or expiration and in favor of giving effect to the continuation of this Lease where the circumstances exist to maintain this Lease in effect under any of the alternative mechanisms set forth above. In connection therewith, (i) a well shall be deemed to be capable of production if it has the capacity to produce a profit over operating costs, without regard to any capital costs to drill or equip the well, or to deliver the oil or gas to market, and (ii) the Lessee shall be deemed to be conducting operations in search of oil or gas, or their constituents, if the Lessee is engaged in geophysical and other exploratory work including, but not limited to, activities to drill an initial well, to drill a new well, or to rework, stimulate, deepen, sidetrack, frac, plug back in the same or different formation or repair a well or equipment on the Leasehold or any lands pooled/unitized therewith (such activities shall include, but not be limited to, performing any preliminary or preparatory work necessary for drilling, conducting internal technical analysis to initiate and/or further develop a well, obtaining permits and approvals associated therewith and may include reasonable gaps in activities provided that there is a continuum of activities showing a good faith effort to develop a well or that the cessation or interruption of activities was beyond the control of Lessee, including interruptions caused by the acts of third parties over whom Lessee has no control or regulatory delays associated with any approval process required for conducting such activities).

(B) LIMITATION OF FORFEITURE: This Lease shall never be subject to a civil action or proceeding to enforce a claim of termination, cancellation, expiration or forfeiture due to any action or inaction by the Lessee, including, but not limited to making any prescribed payments authorized under the terms of this Lease, unless the Lessee has received written notice of Lessor's demand and thereafter fails or refuses to satisfy or provide justification responding to Lessor's demand within 60 days from the receipt of such notice. If Lessee timely responds to Lessor's demand, but in good faith disagrees with Lessor's position and sets forth the reasons therefore, such a response shall be deemed to satisfy this provision, this Lease shall continue in full force and effect and no further damages (or other claims for relief) will accrue in Lessor's favor during the pendency of the dispute, other than claims for payments that may be due under the terms of this Lease.

<u>PAYMENTS TO LESSOR.</u> In addition to the bonus paid by Lessee for the execution hereof, Lessee covenants to pay Lessor, proportionate to Lessor's percentage of ownership, as follows:

- (A) DELAY RENTAL: To pay Lessor as Delay Rental, after the first year, at the rate of <u>five dollars (\$5.00)</u> per net acre per year payable in advance. The parties hereto agree that this is a Paid-Up Lease with no further Delay Rental and/or Delay in Marketing payments due to Lessor during the primary term hereof.
- (B) ROYALTY: For all oil and gas substances that are produced and sold from the lease premises, Lessor shall receive as its royalty **Twenty** (20%) percent of the sales proceeds actually received by Lessee from the sale of such production, less this same percentage share of all post production costs, as defined below, and less this same percentage share of all production, severance and ad valorem taxes. As used in this provision, post production costs shall mean (i) all losses of produced volumes (whether by use as fuel, line loss, flaring, venting or otherwise) and (ii) all costs actually incurred by Lessee from and after the wellhead to the point of sale, including, without limitation, all gathering, dehydration, compression, treatment, processing, marketing and transportation costs incurred in connection with the sale of such production. For royalty calculation purposes, Lessee shall never be required to adjust the sales proceeds to account for the purchaser's costs or charges downstream from the point of sale. Lessee may withhold Royalty payment until such time as the total withheld exceeds fifty dollars (\$50.00).
- (C) DELAY IN MARKETING: In the event that Lessee drills a well on the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith that is awaiting completion (including, without limitation, hydraulic fracture stimulation), or that Lessee deems to be capable of production, but does not market producible gas, oil, or their constituents therefrom and there is no other basis for extending this Lease, Lessee shall pay after the primary term and until such time as marketing is established (or Lessee surrenders the Lease) a Delay in Marketing payment equal in amount and frequency to the annual Delay Rental payment, and this Lease shall remain in full force and effect to the same extent as payment of Royalty.
- (D) SHUT-IN: In the event that production of oil, gas, or their constituents is interrupted and not marketed for a period of twelve (12) months, and there is no producing well on the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith, Lessee shall, after the primary term, as Royalty for constructive production, pay a Shut-in Royalty equal in amount and frequency to the annual Delay Rental payment until such time as production is re-established (or lessee surrenders the Lease) and this Lease shall remain in full force and effect. During Shut-in, Lessee shall have the right to rework, stimulate, or deepen any well on the Leasehold or to drill a new well on the Leasehold in an effort to re-establish production, whether from an original producing formation or from a different formation. In the event that the production from the only producing well on the Leasehold is interrupted for a period of less than twelve (12) months, this Lease shall remain in full force and effect without payment of Royalty or Shut-in Royalty.
- (E) DAMAGES: Lessee will remove unnecessary equipment and materials and reclaim all disturbed lands at the completion of activities, and Lessee agrees to repair any damaged improvements to the land and pay for the loss of growing crops or marketable timber.
- (F) MANNER OF PAYMENT: Lessee shall make or tender all payments due hereunder by check, payable to Lessor, at Lessor's last known address, and Lessee may withhold any payment pending notification by Lessor of a change in address. Payment may be tendered by mail or any comparable method (e.g., Federal Express), and payment is deemed complete upon mailing or dispatch. Where the due date for any payment specified herein falls on a holiday, Saturday or Sunday, payment tendered (mailed or dispatched) on the next business day is timely.
- (G) CHANGE IN LAND OWNERSHIP: Lessee shall not be bound by any change in the ownership of the Leasehold until furnished with such documentation as Lessee may reasonably require. Pending the receipt of documentation, Lessee may elect either to continue to make or withhold payments as if such a change had not occurred.
- (H) TITLE: If Lessee receives evidence that Lessor does not have title to all or any part of the rights herein leased, Lessee may immediately withhold payments that would be otherwise due and payable hereunder to Lessor until the adverse claim is fully resolved. Lessor represents and warrants that there is no existing oil and gas lease which is presently in effect covering the Leasehold.
- (I) LIENS: Lessee may at its option pay and discharge any past due taxes, mortgages, judgments, or other liens and encumbrances on or against any land or interest included in the Leasehold; and Lessee shall be entitled to recover from the debtor, with legal interest and costs, by deduction from any future payments to Lessor or by any other lawful means. In the event the leased lands are encumbered by a prior mortgage, then, notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, Lessee shall have the right to suspend the payment of any royalties due hereunder, without liability for interest, until such time as Lessor obtains at its own expense a subordination of the mortgage in a form acceptable to Lessee.
- (J) CHARACTERIZATION OF PAYMENTS: Payments set forth herein are covenants, not special limitations, regardless of the manner in which these payments may be invoked. Any failure on the part of the Lessee to timely or otherwise properly tender payment can never result in an automatic termination, expiration, cancellation, or forfeiture of this Lease. Lessor recognizes and acknowledges that oil and gas lease payments, in the form of rental, bonus and royalty, can vary depending on multiple factors and that this Lease is the product of good faith negotiations. Lessor hereby agrees that the payment terms, as set forth herein, and any bonus payments paid to Lessor constitute full consideration for the Leasehold. Lessor further agrees that such payment terms and bonus payments are final and that Lessor will not seek to amend or modify the lease payments, or seek additional consideration based upon any differing terms which Lessee has or will negotiate with any other lessor/oil and gas owner.
- (K) PAYMENT REDUCTIONS: If Lessor owns a lesser interest in the oil or gas than the entire undivided fee simple estate, then the rentals (except for Delay Rental payments as set forth above), royalties, shut-in royalties and other payments hereunder shall be paid to Lessor only in the proportion which Lessor's interest bears to the whole and undivided fee.
- <u>UNITIZATION AND POOLING.</u> Lessor grants Lessee the right to pool, unitize, or combine all or parts of the Leasehold with other lands, whether contiguous or not contiguous, leased or unleased, whether owned by Lessee or by others, at a time before or after drilling to create drilling or production units either by contract right or pursuant to governmental authorization. Pooling or unitizing in one or more instances shall not exhaust Lessee's pooling and unitizing rights hereunder, and Lessee is granted the right to change the size, shape, and conditions of operation or payment of any unit created. Lessor agrees to accept and receive out of the production or the revenue realized from the production of such unit, such proportional share of the Royalty from each unit well as the number of Leasehold acres included in the unit bears to the total number of acres in the unit. Otherwise, as to any part of the unit, drilling, operations in preparation for drilling, production, or shut-in production from the unit, or payment of Royalty, Shut-in Royalty, Delay in Marketing payment or Delay Rental attributable to any part of the unit (including non-Leasehold land) shall have the same effect upon the terms of this Lease as if a well were located on, or the subject activity attributable to, the Leasehold. In the event of conflict or inconsistency between the Leasehold acres ascribed to the Lease, and the local property tax assessment calculation of the lands covered by the Lease, or the deeded acreage amount, Lessee may, at its option, rely on the latter as being determinative for the purposes of this paragraph.

OPERATIONS. If at the expiration of the primary term, oil or gas is not being produced on the leased premises or lands pooled or unitized therewith, but Lessee has commenced operations on the leased premises or acreage pooled or unitized therewith in search of oil, gas, or their constituents or has completed a dry hole thereon within one hundred eighty (180) days prior to the end of the primary term, this lease shall remain in force so long as operations on said well, or operations on any additional well, are prosecuted with no cessation of more than one hundred eighty (180) consecutive days or such other time as reasonably necessary so long as Lessee conducts such operations in good faith and with due diligence and, if they result in the production of oil or gas, so long thereafter as oil or gas is produced from the leased premises, or upon lands pooled or unitized therewith. Furthermore, if on or after the expiration of the primary term Lessee should drill a dry hole or holes thereon or, if after the discovery of oil or gas, the production thereof should cease from any cause, this lease shall not terminate if Lessee commences operations on the leased premises or lands pooled or unitized therewith in search of oil, gas, or their constituents within one hundred eighty (180) days from the date of completion of a dry hole or cessation of production or such other time as reasonably necessary so long as Lessee conducts such operations in good faith and with due diligence.

<u>FACILITIES.</u> Lessee shall not drill a well on the Leasehold within 200 feet of any structure located on the Leasehold without Lessor's written consent. Lessor shall not erect any building or structure, or plant any trees within 200 feet of a well or within 25 feet of a pipeline without Lessee's written consent. Lessor shall not improve, modify, degrade, or restrict roads and facilities built by Lessee without Lessee's written consent.

CONVERSION TO STORAGE. Lessee is hereby granted the right to convert the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith to gas storage. At the time of conversion, Lessee shall pay Lessor's proportionate part for the estimated recoverable gas remaining in any well drilled pursuant to this Lease using methods of calculating gas reserves as are generally accepted by the natural gas industry and, in the event that all

wells on the Leasehold and/or lands pooled/unitized therewith have permanently ceased production, Lessor shall be paid a Conversion to Storage payment in an amount equal to Delay Rental for as long thereafter as the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith is/are used for gas storage or for protection of gas storage; such Conversion to Storage payment shall first become due upon the next ensuing Delay Rental anniversary date. The use of any part of the Leasehold or lands pooled or unitized therewith for the underground storage of gas, or for the protection of stored gas will extend this Lease beyond the primary term as to all rights granted by this Lease, including but not limited to production rights, regardless of whether the production and storage rights are owned together or separately.

DISPOSAL AND INJECTION WELLS. Lessor hereby grants to Lessee the right to drill wells and/or re-enter existing wells, including necessary location, roadway and pipeline easements and rights of way, on any part of the Leasehold or lands pooled or unitized therewith for the disposal and/or injection into any subsurface strata, other than a potable water strata, of air, gas, brine, completion and production fluids, waste water and any hydrocarbon related substances from any source, including, but not limited to wells on the Leasehold or lands pooled or unitized therewith or from properties and lands outside the Leasehold or lands pooled or unitized therewith, and to conduct all operations as may be required, for so long as necessary and required by Lessee for purposes as herein provided. If, at the expiration of the primary term, Lessee is disposing and/or injecting into any subsurface strata underlying the Leasehold or lands pooled or unitized therewith or conducting operations for such disposal and/or injection and this lease is not being maintained by any other provision contained herein and no other payments are being made to Lessor's ownership in the Leasehold and surface as it bears to the full and undivided estate, beginning on the next anniversary date of this Lease and said payment and term of this Lease, insofar as to terms and provisions contained herein applicable to disposal and injection wells, shall continue annually thereafter for so long as necessary and required by Lessee for purposes as herein provided and until all disposal and/or injection wells located on the Leasehold or on lands pooled or unitized therewith are plugged and abandoned. Lessor agrees that if required by Lessee, regulatory agency or governmental authority having jurisdiction, Lessor shall enter a separate Disposal and Injection Agreement with Lessee for the purposes as herein provided.

<u>TITLE AND INTERESTS.</u> Lessor hereby warrants generally and agrees to defend title to the Leasehold and covenants that Lessee shall have quiet enjoyment hereunder and shall have benefit of the doctrine of after acquired title. Should any person having title to the Leasehold fail to execute this Lease, the Lease shall nevertheless be binding upon all persons who do execute it as Lessor.

<u>LEASE DEVELOPMENT.</u> There is no implied covenant to drill, prevent drainage, further develop or market production within the primary term or any extension of term of this Lease. There shall be no Leasehold forfeiture, termination, expiration or cancellation for failure to comply with said implied covenants. Provisions herein, including, but not limited to the prescribed payments, constitute full compensation for the privileges herein granted.

<u>COVENANTS.</u> This Lease and its expressed or implied covenants shall not be subject to termination, forfeiture of rights, or damages due to failure to comply with obligations if compliance is effectively prevented by federal, state, or local law, regulation, or decree, or the acts of God and/or third parties over whom Lessee has no control.

RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL. If at any time within the primary term of this Lease or any continuation or extension thereof, Lessor receives any bona fide offer, acceptable to Lessor, to grant an additional lease which will take effect upon expiration of this Lease ("Top Lease") covering all or part of the Leasehold, Lessee shall have the continuing option by meeting any such offer to acquire a Top Lease on equivalent terms and conditions. Any offer must be in writing and must set forth the proposed Lessee's name, bonus consideration and royalty consideration to be paid for such Top Lease, and include a copy of the lease form to be utilized reflecting all pertinent and relevant terms and conditions of the Top Lease. Lessee shall have fifteen (15) days after receipt from Lessor of a complete copy of any such offer to advise Lessor in writing of its election to enter into an oil and gas lease with Lessor on equivalent terms and conditions. If Lessee fails to notify Lessor within the aforesaid fifteen (15) day period of its election to meet any such bona fide offer, Lessor shall have the right to accept said offer. Any Top Lease granted by Lessor in violation of this provision shall be null and void.

ARBITRATION. In the event of a disagreement between Lessor and Lessee concerning this Lease or the associated Order of Payment, performance thereunder, or damages caused by Lessee's operations, the resolution of all such disputes shall be determined by arbitration in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association. Arbitration shall be the exclusive remedy and cover all disputes, including but not limited to, the formation, execution, validity and performance of the Lease and Order of Payment. All fees and costs associated with the arbitration shall be borne equally by Lessor and Lessee.

ENTIRE CONTRACT. The entire agreement between Lessor and Lessee is embodied herein and in the associated Order of Payment (if any). No oral warranties, representations, or promises have been made or relied upon by either party as an inducement to or modification of this Lease.

<u>TITLE CURATIVE</u>. Lessor agrees to execute consents, affidavits, ratifications, amendments, permits and other instruments as Lessee may request to carry out the purpose of this lease, including without limitation, applications necessary to obtain driveway entrance permits, and approvals of drilling or production units which Lessee may seek to form pursuant to governmental authorization.

<u>SURRENDER</u>. Lessee, at any time, and from time to time, may surrender and cancel this Lease as to all or any part of the Leasehold by recording a Surrender of Lease and thereupon this Lease, and the rights and obligations of the parties hereunder, shall terminate as to the part so surrendered; provided, however, that upon each surrender as to any part of the Leasehold, Lessee shall have reasonable and convenient easements for then existing wells, pipelines, pole lines, roadways and other facilities on the lands surrendered.

SUCCESSORS. All rights, duties, and liabilities herein benefit and bind Lessor and Lessee and their heirs, successors, and assigns.

FORCE MAJEURE. All express or implied covenants of this Lease shall be subject to all applicable laws, rules, regulations and orders. When drilling, reworking, production or other operations hereunder, or Lessee's fulfillment of its obligations hereunder are prevented or delayed by such laws, rules, regulations or orders, or by inability to obtain necessary permits, equipment, services, material, water, electricity, fuel, access or easements, or by fire, flood, adverse weather conditions, war, sabotage, rebellion, insurrection, riot, strike or labor disputes, other Acts of God, or by inability to obtain a satisfactory market for production or failure of purchasers or carriers to take or transport such production, or by any other cause not reasonably within Lessee's control, this Lease shall not terminate, in whole or in part, because of such prevention or delay, and, at Lessee's option, the period of such prevention or delay shall be added to the term hereof. Lessee shall not be liable in damages for breach of any express or implied covenants of this Lease for failure to comply therewith, if compliance is prevented by, or failure is the result of any applicable laws, rules, regulations or orders or operation of force majeure. If this Lease is the subject matter of any lawsuit, arbitration proceeding, or other action, or any appeal thereof, and the period of the lawsuit, arbitration proceeding, or other action, and any appeal thereof, shall be added to the term of this Lease.

<u>SEVERABILITY.</u> This Lease is intended to comply with all applicable laws, rules, regulations, ordinances and governmental orders. If any provision of this Lease is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void, or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall survive and continue in full force and effect to the maximum extent allowed by law. If a court of competent jurisdiction holds any provision of this Lease invalid, void, or unenforceable under applicable law, the court shall give the provision the greatest effect possible under the law and modify the provision so as to conform to applicable law if that can be done in a manner which does not frustrate the purpose of this Lease.

<u>COUNTERPARTS.</u> This Lease may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed to be an original copy of this Lease and all of which, when taken together, will be deemed to constitute one and the same agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Lessor hereunto sets hand and seal.

The Belmont County Board of Commissioners

J. P. Dutton /s/

By: J.P. Dutton, President

Josh Meyer /s/

By: Josh Myer, Vice President

Mark A. Thomas /s/

By: Mark A. Thomas, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

David K. Liberati /s/ Assist. P.A. PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dutton Yes Mr. Meyer Yes Mr. Thomas Yes

IN THE MATTER OF RESCINDING MOTION OF OCTOBER 10, 2018, ENTERING INTO AN OIL AND GAS LEASE WITH ASCENT RESOURCES-UTICA, LLC AND RE-ENTERING INTO SAME LEASE WITH EFFECTIVE DATE OF OCTOBER 31, 2018

Motion made by Mr. Dutton, seconded by Mr. Meyer to rescind the motion of October 10, 2018, to enter into an Oil and Gas Lease by and between the Belmont County Commissioners and Ascent Resources – Utica, LLC, effective October 10, 2018, in the amount of \$5,750 per net leasehold acre for 4.267 acres located in Wheeling and Colerain Township, for a five-year term, 20% royalty, total payment amount: \$24,535.25 and re-enter into the above lease with the effective date of October 31, 2018, with the same terms.

Note: Ascent Resources require all three of the Commissioners to sign the lease, Commissioner Dutton was absent on October 10, 2018.

PAID UP OIL & GAS LEASE

Lease No.

This Lease made this <u>31st</u> day of October, 2018, by and between: **The Belmont County Board of Commissioners, by J.P. Dutton as President, Josh Meyer as Vice President, and Mark A. Thomas as Commissioner,** whose address is 101 West Main Street, St. Clairsville, OH 43950, hereinafter collectively called "Lessor," and <u>Ascent Resources – Utica, LLC</u> an <u>Oklahoma Limited Liability Company</u>, whose address is <u>P.O. Box 13678, Oklahoma City, OK 73113,</u> hereinafter called "Lessee."

WITNESSETH, that for and in consideration of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, and of the mutual covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth, the Lessor and Lessee agree as follows: <u>LEASING CLAUSE</u>. Lessor hereby leases exclusively to Lessee all the oil and gas (including, but not limited to coal seam gas, coalbed methane gas, coalbed gas, methane gas, gob gas, occluded methane/natural gas and all associated natural gas and other hydrocarbons and nonhydrocarbons contained in, associated with, emitting from, or produced/originating within any formation, gob area, mined-out area, coal seam, and all communicating zones), and their liquid or gaseous constituents, whether hydrocarbon or non-hydrocarbon, underlying the land herein leased, together with such exclusive rights as may be necessary or convenient for Lessee, at its election, to explore for, develop, produce, measure, and market production from the Leasehold, or from other lands, using methods and techniques which are not restricted to current technology, including, without limitation, the right to conduct geophysical and other exploratory tests; to drill, maintain, operate, cease to operate, plug, abandon, and remove wells; to use or install roads over and across the Leasehold for use in development of the Leasehold or other lands, electric power and telephone facilities, water impoundments, and to construct pipelines with appurtenant facilities, including data acquisition, compression and collection facilities for use in the production and transportation of products from the Leasehold or from other lands across the Leasehold, to use oil, gas, and non-domestic water sources, free of cost, to store gas of any kind underground, regardless of the source thereof, including the injecting of gas therein and removing the same therefrom; to protect stored gas; to operate, maintain, repair, and remove material and equipment; to use and occupy the subsurface of the Leasehold for the drilling of a wellbore(s) for use in development of the Leasehold or other lands.

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>. The Leasehold is located in the Townships of **Wheeling and Colerain**, in the County of

Belmont, in the State of Ohio, and described as follows:

Township: 8; Range: 4; Section: 13; NW ¼: Tax Parcel No.: 50-60002.000, Containing 2.19 acres Township: 8; Range: 4; Section: 13; SW ¼: Tax Parcel No.: 50-60003.000, Containing 0.452 acres Township: 8; Range: 4; Section: 13; SW ¼: Tax Parcel No.: 50-60004.000, Containing 0.45 acres Township: 6; Range: 3; Section: 17; NE ¼: Tax Parcel No.: 60-00057.002, Containing 1.11 acres

Township: 8; Range: 4; Section: 33; SW 1/4: Tax Parcel No.: Unknown (A portion of County Road 66, a/k/a Gun Club Road, Cabinet E, Slide 217), Containing 0.065 acres

See attached Exhibit "B" attached hereto and made a part hereof.

and described for the purposes of this agreement as containing a total of 4.267 Leasehold acres, whether actually more or less, and including contiguous lands owned by Lessor. This Lease also covers and includes, in addition to that above described, all land, if any, contiguous or adjacent to or adjoining the land above described and (a) owned or claimed by Lessor, by limitation, prescription, possession, reversion or unrecorded instrument or (b) as to which Lessor has a preference right of acquisition. Lessor agrees to execute any supplemental instrument requested by Lessee for a more complete or accurate description of said land.

<u>LEASE TERM.</u> This Lease shall remain in force for a primary term of **Five (5)** years from 12:00 A.M. **October 31, 2018** (effective date) to 11:59 P.M. **October 30, 2023** (last day of primary term) and shall continue beyond the primary term as to the entirety of the Leasehold if any of the following is satisfied: (i) operations are conducted on the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith in search of oil, gas, or their constituents, or (ii) a well deemed by Lessee to be capable of production is located on the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith, or

(iii) oil or gas, or their constituents, are produced from the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith, or (iv) if the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith is used for the underground storage of gas, or for the protection of stored gas, or (v) if prescribed payments are made, or (vi) if Lessee's operations are delayed, postponed or interrupted as a result of any coal, stone or other mining or mining related operation under any existing and effective lease, permit or authorization covering such operations on the leased premises or on other lands affecting the leased premises, such delay will automatically extend the primary or secondary term of this oil and gas lease without additional compensation or performance by Lessee for a period of time equal to any such delay, postponement or interruption.

If there is any dispute concerning the extension of this Lease beyond the primary term by reason of any of the alternative mechanisms specified herein, the payment to the Lessor of the prescribed payments provided below shall be conclusive evidence that the Lease has been extended beyond the primary term.

EXTENSION OF PRIMARY TERM. Lessee has the option to extend the primary term of this Lease for one additional term of **Five (5)** years from the expiration of the primary term of this Lease; said extension to be under the same terms and conditions as contained in this Lease. Lessee may exercise this option to extend this Lease if on or before the expiration date of the primary term of this Lease, Lessee pays or tenders to the Lessor's credit an amount equal to the initial consideration given for the execution hereof. Exercise of this option is at Lessee's sole discretion and may be invoked by Lessee where no other alternative of the Lease Term clause extends this Lease beyond the primary term.

NO AUTOMATIC TERMINATION OR FORFEITURE.

(A) CONSTRUCTION OF LEASE: The language of this Lease (including, but not limited to, the Lease Term and Extension of Term clauses) shall never be read as language of special limitation. This Lease shall be construed against termination, forfeiture, cancellation or expiration and in favor of giving effect to the continuation of this Lease where the circumstances exist to maintain this Lease in effect under any of the alternative mechanisms set forth above. In connection therewith, (i) a well shall be deemed to be capable of production if it has the capacity to produce a profit over operating costs, without regard to any capital costs to drill or equip the well, or to deliver the oil or gas to market, and (ii) the Lessee shall be deemed to be conducting operations in search of oil or gas, or their constituents, if the Lessee is engaged in geophysical and other exploratory work including, but not limited to, activities to drill an initial well, to drill a new well, or to rework, stimulate, deepen, sidetrack, frac, plug back in the same or different formation or repair a well or equipment on the Leasehold or any lands pooled/unitized therewith (such activities shall include, but not be limited to, performing any preliminary or preparatory work necessary for drilling, conducting internal technical analysis to initiate and/or further develop a well, obtaining permits and approvals associated therewith and may include reasonable gaps in activities provided that there is a continuum of activities showing a good faith effort to develop a well or that the cessation or interruption of activities was beyond the control of Lessee, including interruptions caused by the acts of third parties over whom Lessee has no control or regulatory delays associated with any approval process required for conducting such activities).

(B) LIMITATION OF FORFEITURE: This Lease shall never be subject to a civil action or proceeding to enforce a claim of termination, cancellation, expiration or forfeiture due to any action or inaction by the Lessee, including, but not limited to making any prescribed payments authorized under the terms of this Lease, unless the Lessee has received written notice of Lessor's demand and thereafter fails or refuses to satisfy or provide justification responding to Lessor's demand within 60 days from the receipt of such notice. If Lessee timely responds to Lessor's demand, but in good faith disagrees with Lessor's position and sets forth the reasons therefore, such a response shall be deemed to satisfy this provision, this Lease shall continue in full force and effect and no further damages (or other claims for relief) will accrue in Lessor's favor during the pendency of the dispute, other than claims for payments that may be due under the terms of this Lease.

<u>PAYMENTS TO LESSOR</u>. In addition to the bonus paid by Lessee for the execution hereof, Lessee covenants to pay Lessor, proportionate to Lessor's percentage of ownership, as follows:

- (A) DELAY RENTAL: To pay Lessor as Delay Rental, after the first year, at the rate of <u>five dollars (\$5.00)</u> per net acre per year payable in advance. The parties hereto agree that this is a Paid-Up Lease with no further Delay Rental and/or Delay in Marketing payments due to Lessor during the primary term hereof.
- (B) ROYALTY: For all oil and gas substances that are produced and sold from the lease premises, Lessor shall receive as its royalty twenty (20%) percent of the sales proceeds actually received by Lessee from the sale of such production, less this same percentage share of all post production costs, as defined below, and less this same percentage share of all production, severance and ad valorem taxes. As used in this provision, post production costs shall mean (i) all losses of produced volumes (whether by use as fuel, line loss, flaring, venting or otherwise) and (ii) all costs actually incurred by Lessee from and after the wellhead to the point of sale, including, without limitation, all gathering, dehydration, compression, treatment, processing, marketing and transportation costs incurred in connection with the sale of such production. For royalty calculation purposes, Lessee shall never be required to adjust the sales proceeds to account for the purchaser's costs or charges downstream from the point of sale. Lessee may withhold Royalty payment until such time as the total withheld exceeds fifty dollars (\$50.00).
- (C) DELAY IN MARKETING: In the event that Lessee drills a well on the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith that is awaiting completion (including, without limitation, hydraulic fracture stimulation), or that Lessee deems to be capable of production, but does not market producible gas, oil, or their constituents therefrom and there is no other basis for extending this Lease, Lessee shall pay after the primary term and until such time as marketing is established (or Lessee surrenders the Lease) a Delay in Marketing payment equal in amount and frequency to the annual Delay Rental payment, and this Lease shall remain in full force and effect to the same extent as payment of Royalty.
- (D) SHUT-IN: In the event that production of oil, gas, or their constituents is interrupted and not marketed for a period of twelve (12) months, and there is no producing well on the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith, Lessee shall, after the primary term, as Royalty for constructive production, pay a Shut-in Royalty equal in amount and frequency to the annual Delay Rental payment until such time as production is re-established (or lessee surrenders the Lease) and this Lease shall remain in full force and effect. During Shut-in, Lessee shall have the right to rework, stimulate, or deepen any well on the Leasehold or to drill a new well on the Leasehold in an effort to re- establish production, whether from an original producing formation or from a different formation. In the event that the production from the only producing well on the Leasehold is interrupted for a period of less than twelve (12) months, this Lease shall remain in full force and effect without payment of Royalty or Shut-in Royalty.
- (E) DAMAGES: Lessee will remove unnecessary equipment and materials and reclaim all disturbed lands at the completion of activities, and Lessee agrees to repair any damaged improvements to the land and pay for the loss of growing crops or marketable timber
- (F) MANNER OF PAYMENT: Lessee shall make or tender all payments due hereunder by check, payable to Lessor, at Lessor's last known address, and Lessee may withhold any payment pending notification by Lessor of a change in address. Payment may be tendered by mail or any comparable method (e.g., Federal Express), and payment is deemed complete upon mailing or dispatch. Where the due date for any payment specified herein falls on a holiday, Saturday or Sunday, payment tendered (mailed or dispatched) on the next business day is timely.
- (G) CHANGE IN LAND OWNERSHIP: Lessee shall not be bound by any change in the ownership of the Leasehold until furnished with such documentation as Lessee may reasonably require. Pending the receipt of documentation, Lessee may elect either to continue to make or withhold payments as if such a change had not occurred.
- (H) TITLE: If Lessee receives evidence that Lessor does not have title to all or any part of the rights herein leased, Lessee may immediately withhold payments that would be otherwise due and payable hereunder to Lessor until the adverse claim is fully resolved. Lessor represents and warrants that there is no existing oil and gas lease which is presently in effect covering the Leasehold
- (I) LIENS: Lessee may at its option pay and discharge any past due taxes, mortgages, judgments, or other liens and encumbrances on or against any land or interest included in the Leasehold; and Lessee shall be entitled to recover from the debtor, with legal interest and costs, by deduction from any future payments to Lessor or by any other lawful means. In the event the leased lands are encumbered by a prior mortgage, then, notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, Lessee shall have the right to suspend the payment of any royalties due hereunder, without liability for interest, until such time as Lessor obtains at its own expense a subordination of the mortgage in a form acceptable to Lessee.
- (J) CHARACTERIZATION OF PAYMENTS: Payments set forth herein are covenants, not special limitations, regardless of the manner in which these payments may be invoked. Any failure on the part of the Lessee to timely or otherwise properly tender payment can never result in an automatic termination, expiration, cancellation, or forfeiture of this Lease. Lessor recognizes and acknowledges that oil and gas lease payments, in the form of rental, bonus and royalty, can vary depending on multiple factors and that this Lease is the product of good faith negotiations. Lessor hereby agrees that the payment terms, as set forth herein, and any bonus payments paid to Lessor constitute full consideration for the Leasehold. Lessor further agrees that such payment terms and bonus payments are final and that Lessor will not seek to amend or modify the lease payments, or seek additional consideration based upon any differing terms which Lessee has or will negotiate with any other lessor/oil and gas owner.
- (K) PAYMENT REDUCTIONS: If Lessor owns a lesser interest in the oil or gas than the entire undivided fee simple estate, then the rentals (except for Delay Rental payments as set forth above), royalties, shut-in royalties and other payments hereunder shall be paid to Lessor only in the proportion which Lessor's interest bears to the whole and undivided fee.

<u>UNITIZATION AND POOLING.</u> Lessor grants Lessee the right to pool, unitize, or combine all or parts of the Leasehold with other lands, whether contiguous or not contiguous, leased or unleased, whether owned by Lessee or by others, at a time before or after drilling to create drilling or production units either by contract right or pursuant to governmental authorization. Pooling or unitizing in one or more instances shall not exhaust Lessee's pooling and unitizing rights hereunder, and Lessee is granted the right to change the size, shape, and conditions of operation or payment of any unit created. Lessor agrees to accept and receive out of the production or the revenue realized from the production of such unit, such proportional share of the Royalty from each unit well as the number of Leasehold acres included in the unit bears to the total number of acres in the unit. Otherwise, as to any part of the unit, drilling, operations in preparation for drilling, production, or shut-in production from the unit, or payment of Royalty, Shut-in Royalty, Delay in Marketing payment or Delay Rental attributable to any part of the unit (including non-Leasehold land) shall have the same effect upon the terms of this Lease as if a well were located on, or the subject activity attributable to, the Leasehold. In the event of conflict or inconsistency between the Leasehold acres ascribed to the Lease, and the local property tax assessment calculation of the lands covered by the Lease, or the deeded acreage amount, Lessee may, at its option, rely on the latter as being determinative for the purposes of this paragraph.

OPERATIONS. If at the expiration of the primary term, oil or gas is not being produced on the leased premises or lands pooled or unitized therewith, but Lessee has commenced operations on the leased premises or acreage pooled or unitized therewith in search of oil, gas, or their constituents or has completed a dry hole thereon within one hundred eighty (180) days prior to the end of the primary term, this lease shall remain in force so long as operations on said well, or operations on any additional well, are prosecuted with no cessation of more than one hundred eighty (180) consecutive days or such other time as reasonably necessary so long as Lessee conducts such operations in good faith and with due diligence and, if they result in the production of oil or gas, so long thereafter as oil or gas is produced from the leased premises, or upon lands pooled or unitized therewith. Furthermore, if on or after the expiration of the primary term Lessee should drill a dry hole or holes

thereon or, if after the discovery of oil or gas, the production thereof should cease from any cause, this lease shall not terminate if Lessee commences operations on the leased premises or lands pooled or unitized therewith in search of oil, gas, or their constituents within one hundred eighty (180) days from the date of completion of a dry hole or cessation of production or such other time as reasonably necessary so long as Lessee conducts such operations in good faith and with due diligence.

<u>FACILITIES</u>. Lessee shall not drill a well on the Leasehold within 200 feet of any structure located on the Leasehold without Lessor's written consent. Lessor shall not erect any building or structure, or plant any trees within 200 feet of a well or within 25 feet of a pipeline without Lessee's written consent. Lessor shall not improve, modify, degrade, or restrict roads and facilities built by Lessee without Lessee's written consent.

CONVERSION TO STORAGE. Lessee is hereby granted the right to convert the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith to gas storage. At the time of conversion, Lessee shall pay Lessor's proportionate part for the estimated recoverable gas remaining in any well drilled pursuant to this Lease using methods of calculating gas reserves as are generally accepted by the natural gas industry and, in the event that all wells on the Leasehold and/or lands pooled/unitized therewith have permanently ceased production, Lessor shall be paid a Conversion to Storage payment in an amount equal to Delay Rental for as long thereafter as the Leasehold or lands pooled/unitized therewith is/are used for gas storage or for protection of gas storage; such Conversion to Storage payment shall first become due upon the next ensuing Delay Rental anniversary date. The use of any part of the Leasehold or lands pooled or unitized therewith for the underground storage of gas, or for the protection of stored gas will extend this Lease beyond the primary term as to all rights granted by this Lease, including but not limited to production rights, regardless of whether the production and storage rights are owned together or separately.

DISPOSAL AND INJECTION WELLS. Lessor hereby grants to Lessee the right to drill wells and/or re- enter existing wells, including necessary location, roadway and pipeline easements and rights of way, on any part of the Leasehold or lands pooled or unitized therewith for the disposal and/or injection into any subsurface strata, other than a potable water strata, of air, gas, brine, completion and production fluids, waste water and any hydrocarbon related substances from any source, including, but not limited to wells on the Leasehold or lands pooled or unitized therewith or from properties and lands outside the Leasehold or lands pooled or unitized therewith, and to conduct all operations as may be required, for so long as necessary and required by Lessee for purposes as herein provided. If, at the expiration of the primary term, Lessee is disposing and/or injecting into any subsurface strata underlying the Leasehold or lands pooled or unitized therewith or conducting operations for such disposal and/or injection and this lease is not being maintained by any other provision contained herein and no other payments are being made to Lessor as prescribed hereunder, Lessee shall pay to Lessor the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) per year, proportionately reduced to Lessor's ownership in the Leasehold and surface as it bears to the full and undivided estate, beginning on the next anniversary date of this Lease and said payment and term of this Lease, insofar as to terms and provisions contained herein applicable to disposal and injection wells, shall continue annually thereafter for so long as necessary and required by Lessee for purposes as herein provided and until all disposal and/or injection wells located on the Leasehold or on lands pooled or unitized therewith are plugged and abandoned. Lessor agrees that if required by Lessee, regulatory agency or governmental authority having jurisdiction, Lessor shall enter a separate Disposal and Injection Agreement with Lessee for the purposes as herein provided.

<u>TITLE AND INTERESTS</u>. Lessor hereby warrants generally and agrees to defend title to the Leasehold and covenants that Lessee shall have quiet enjoyment hereunder and shall have benefit of the doctrine of after acquired title. Should any person having title to the Leasehold fail to execute this Lease, the Lease shall nevertheless be binding upon all persons who do execute it as Lessor.

<u>LEASE DEVELOPMENT.</u> There is no implied covenant to drill, prevent drainage, further develop or market production within the primary term or any extension of term of this Lease. There shall be no Leasehold forfeiture, termination, expiration or cancellation for failure to comply with said implied covenants. Provisions herein, including, but not limited to the prescribed payments, constitute full compensation for the privileges herein granted.

<u>COVENANTS</u>. This Lease and its expressed or implied covenants shall not be subject to termination, forfeiture of rights, or damages due to failure to comply with obligations if compliance is effectively prevented by federal, state, or local law, regulation, or decree, or the acts of God and/or third parties over whom Lessee has no control.

RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL. If at any time within the primary term of this Lease or any continuation or extension thereof, Lessor receives any bona fide offer, acceptable to Lessor, to grant an additional lease which will take effect upon expiration of this Lease ("Top Lease") covering all or part of the Leasehold, Lessee shall have the continuing option by meeting any such offer to acquire a Top Lease on equivalent terms and conditions. Any offer must be in writing and must set forth the proposed Lessee's name, bonus consideration and royalty consideration to be paid for such Top Lease, and include a copy of the lease form to be utilized reflecting all pertinent and relevant terms and conditions of the Top Lease. Lessee shall have fifteen (15) days after receipt from Lessor of a complete copy of any such offer to advise Lessor in writing of its election to enter into an oil and gas lease with Lessor on equivalent terms and conditions. If Lessee fails to notify Lessor within the aforesaid fifteen (15) day period of its election to meet any such bona fide offer, Lessor shall have the right to accept said offer. Any Top Lease granted by Lessor in violation of this provision shall be null and void.

ARBITRATION. In the event of a disagreement between Lessor and Lessee concerning this Lease or the associated Order of Payment, performance thereunder, or damages caused by Lessee's operations, the resolution of all such disputes shall be determined by arbitration in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association. Arbitration shall be the exclusive remedy and cover all disputes, including but not limited to, the formation, execution, validity and performance of the Lease and Order of Payment. All fees and costs associated with the arbitration shall be borne equally by Lessor and Lessee.

<u>ENTIRE CONTRACT.</u> The entire agreement between Lessor and Lessee is embodied herein and in the associated Order of Payment (if any). No oral warranties, representations, or promises have been made or relied upon by either party as an inducement to or modification of this Lease.

<u>TITLE CURATIVE</u>. Lessor agrees to execute consents, affidavits, ratifications, amendments, permits and other instruments as Lessee may request to carry out the purpose of this lease, including without limitation, applications necessary to obtain driveway entrance permits, and approvals of drilling or production units which Lessee may seek to form pursuant to governmental authorization.

<u>SURRENDER</u>. Lessee, at any time, and from time to time, may surrender and cancel this Lease as to all or any part of the Leasehold by recording a Surrender of Lease and thereupon this Lease, and the rights and obligations of the parties hereunder, shall terminate as to the part so surrendered; provided, however, that upon each surrender as to any part of the Leasehold, Lessee shall have reasonable and convenient easements for then existing wells, pipelines, pole lines, roadways and other facilities on the lands surrendered.

<u>SUCCESSORS.</u> All rights, duties, and liabilities herein benefit and bind Lessor and Lessee and their heirs, successors, and assigns. <u>FORCE MAJEURE.</u> All express or implied covenants of this Lease shall be subject to all applicable laws, rules, regulations and orders. When drilling, reworking, production or other operations hereunder, or Lessee's

fulfillment of its obligations hereunder are prevented or delayed by such laws, rules, regulations or orders, or by inability to obtain necessary permits, equipment, services, material, water, electricity, fuel, access or easements, or by fire, flood, adverse weather conditions, war, sabotage, rebellion, insurrection, riot, strike or labor disputes, other Acts of God, or by inability to obtain a satisfactory market for production or failure of purchasers or carriers to take or transport such production, or by any other cause not reasonably within Lessee's control, this Lease shall not terminate, in whole or in part, because of such prevention or delay, and, at Lessee's option, the period of such prevention or delay shall be added to the term hereof. Lessee shall not be liable in damages for breach of any express or implied covenants of this Lease for failure to comply therewith, if compliance is prevented by, or failure is the result of any applicable laws, rules, regulations or orders or operation of force majeure. If this Lease is the subject matter of any lawsuit, arbitration proceeding, or other action, then this Lease shall not expire during the pendency of such lawsuit, arbitration proceeding, or other action, and any appeal thereof, shall be added to the term of this Lease.

SEVERABILITY. This Lease is intended to comply with all applicable laws, rules, regulations, ordinances and governmental orders. If any provision of this Lease is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void, or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall survive and continue in full force and effect to the maximum extent allowed by law. If a court of competent jurisdiction holds any provision of this Lease invalid, void, or unenforceable under applicable law, the court shall give the provision the greatest effect possible under the law and modify the provision so as to conform to applicable law if that can be done in a manner which does not frustrate the purpose of this Lease. COUNTERPARTS. This Lease may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed to be an original copy of this Lease and all of which, when taken together, will be deemed to constitute one and the same agreement. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Lessor hereunto sets hand and seal.

The Belmont County Board of Commissioners

J. P. Dutton /s/

By: J.P. Dutton, President

Josh Meyer /s/

By: Josh Myer, Vice President

Mark A. Thomas /s/

By: Mark A. Thomas, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM: David K. Liberati /s/ Assist. P.A.

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dutton Yes Mr. Meyer Yes Mr. Thomas Yes

IN THE MATTER OF THE VACATION OF A **PORTION OF MCGREGOR HILL ROAD (T-317)** RICHLAND TWP. SEC. 29, T-7, R-4/RD IMP 1169

Motion made by Mr. Dutton, seconded by Mr. Meyer to accept the following Public Road Petition for the vacation of a portion of McGregor Hill Road (T-317) located in Pultney Township, Sec. 13, T-6, R-3 and hereby authorize the Clerk of the Board to establish the required date and time for the viewing and hearing and proceed with the Notice of Publication for the proposed vacation hereinafter known as Road Improvement #1171 in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 5553.04.

PUBLIC ROAD PETITION Rev. Code Sec. 5553.04 WITH PETITION

Belmont County, Ohio

October 10, 2018 IMP-1171

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio:

The undersigned petitioners, freeholders of said county residing in the vicinity of the proposed improvement hereinafter described, represent that the public convenience and welfare require the Vacation of a portion of McGregor Hill Rd (T-317) located in Pultney Twp. Sec 13, T-6, R-3

A Public Road on the line hereinafter described, and make application to you to institute and order proper proceedings in the premises, for vacating such road, the same not being a road on the State Highway System.

The following is the general route and termini of said road:

Beginning at the southeast corner of Parcel #26-01506.000 going 1300 feet in a north eastern direction through parcels, #26-01259.000, #26-01735.000, #26-01497.000, ending at

the intersection of Kotera Rd. (T-318) & McGregor Hill Rd (T-317) in the width of 50 feet.

PUBLIC ROAD PETITION

NAME (SIGN & PRINT) TAX MAILING ADDRESS (PLEASE PRINT) Michael D. Banig /s/ 65901 McGregor Hill Road Michael D. Banig Bellaire, Ohio 43906 Patricia M. Matthews 66376 McGregor Hill Rd. Patricia M. Matthews /s/ Bellaire, Ohio 43906 Earl C. Matthews 66376 McGregor Hill Rd. Earl C. Matthews /s/ Bellaire, OH 43906 65893 McGregor Hill Rd. Thomas M. Pramik /s/ Bellaire, Oh. 43906 Thomas M. Pramik **Sharon Banig** 65901 McGregor Hill Rd.. Sharon Banig /s/ Bellaire, Oh 43905 Vicky Krupnik /s/ 66158 McGregor Hill Rd. Vicky Krupnik Bellaire, Ohio 43906

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Stephen DeMichele /s/ McGregor Rd 66081

Stephen DeMichele Bellaire, Ohio 43906 Marshall Cairns 66059 McGregor Hill Rd. 43906

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dutton Yes Mr. Meyer Yes Mr. Thomas Yes

IN THE MATTER OF THE VACATION

OF A PORTION OF MCGREGOR HILL RD (T-317)

Office of County Commissioners

PULTNEY TWP. SEC. 13, T-6, R-3/RD IMP 1171

Belmont County, Ohio

Journal Entry, Order Fixing Time and Place of View and of Final Hearing and Notice

Thereof on Public Road Petition

Rev. Code, Sec. 5553.05 **RD. IMP. 1171**

The Board of County Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio, met in regular session on the 31st day of October, 2018 at the office of the Commissioners with the following members present:

> Mr. Dutton Mr. Meyer

Mr. Thomas Mr. Dutton moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, A Petition signed by at least twelve freeholders of the County residing in the vicinity of the proposed improvement has been presented to this Board of County Commissioners requesting said Board to vacate a portion of McGregor Hill Road (T-317), Pultney Township, Section 13, T-6, R-3.

RESOLVED, That the 14th day of November, 2018 at 11:30 o'clock A.M., be fixed as the date when we will view the proposed improvement, on which date we will meet at the site and go over the line of said proposed improvement; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the 20th day of November, 2018, at 9:30 o'clock A.M. be fixed as the date for a final hearing thereof, which hearing will be at the office of the Board; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of this Board be and she is hereby directed to give notice of the time and place for both such view and hearing by publication once a week for two consecutive weeks in the <u>Times Leader</u> a newspaper published and having general circulation in the County, which said notice shall also state briefly the character of said proposed improvement.

Mr. Meyer seconded the Resolution and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Dutton Yes Mr. Meyer Yes Mr. Thomas Yes

Adopted October 31, 2018

Jayne Long /s/

Clerk, Belmont County, Ohio

- 1. "Locating," "establishing," "altering," "straightening," "vacating," or "changing the direction of." 2. "Locating,:" "establishing," "altering," "straighten," "vacate," or "change the direction of"
- 3. Insert "a part of," if so.

NOTICE OF TIME AND PLACE OF VIEW AND OF FINAL HEARING

PUBLIC ROAD (by publication) Rev. Code, Sec., 5553.05

ROAD IMP. #1171

Notice is hereby given that there is before the Board of County Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio, the matter of the vacation of a portion of McGregor Hill Road (T-317) located in Pultney Twp. Sec. 13, T-6, R-3, a public road, the general route and termini of which Road are as follows:

Beginning at the southeast corner of Parcel #26-01506.000 going 1300 feet in a north eastern direction through parcels, #26-01259.000, #26-01735.000, #26-01497.000, ending at

the intersection of Kotera Rd. (T-318) & McGregor Hill Rd (T-317) in the width of 50 feet.

Said Board of County Commissioners has fixed the 14th day of November, 2018, at 11:30 o'clock A.M., as the date when and the site as the place where said Board will view the proposed improvement and has also fixed the 20th day of November, 2018, at 9:30 o'clock A.M., at their office in the Court House of said County in St. Clairsville, Ohio as the time and place for the final hearing on said proposed improvement.

By Order of the Board of County Commissioners,

Belmont County, Ohio Jayne Long /s/

Jayne Long, Clerk ADV. TIMES LEADER (2) Tuesdays - November 6, 2018 and November 13, 2018

IN THE MATTER OF PROMOTION AND PAY RANGE

ADJUSTMENT FOR MS. HOLLEE GOUDY/BELMONT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

Motion made by Mr. Dutton seconded by Mr. Meyer to adopt the following:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Ohio Revised Code empowers, the Belmont County Board of Commissioners to establish compensation and set benefit levels for the Belmont County Department of Job and Family Services non-bargaining unit employees; and

WHEREAS, with this promotion, Ms. Goudy will be responsible for the supervision of Eligibility/Referral Specialist II, monitoring the processing of public assistance cases and compliance with State and Federal policy.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Belmont County Board of Commissioners does hereby grant the Director of the Belmont County Department of Job and Family Services the authority to promote Hollee Goudy from the position of Eligibility/Referral Specialist II to Eligibility/Referral Specialist Supervisor. Ms. Goudy's wages to increase from Pay Range 28, Step Seven (base rate \$26.02) to Pay Range 32, Step Five (base rate \$28.89), a base rate increase of \$2.87 per hour, effective November 11, 2018.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dutton <u>Yes</u> Mr. Meyer <u>Yes</u> Mr. Thomas <u>Yes</u>

IN THE MATTER OF ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF

KELLY FETZER, FULL-TIME CENTER DIRECTOR/SSOBC

Motion made by Mr. Dutton, seconded by Mr. Meyer to accept the resignation of Kelly Fetzer, full-time Center Director for Senior Services of Belmont County, effective November 16, 2018.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dutton Yes Mr. Meyer Yes Mr. Thomas Yes

IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING INTO A ROADWAY USE MAINTENANCE

AGREEMENT WITH OHIO GATHERING COMPANY/ENGINEERS

Motion made by Mr. Dutton, seconded by Mr. Meyer to enter into a **Roadway Use Maintenance Agreement** with Ohio Gathering Company, effective October 31, 2018, for the use of 0.90 miles of CR-68 (Flushing Northeast Road) for pipeline activity.

Note: County Wide Bond #K08271410 for \$1 million on file.

BELMONTCOUNTY ROADWAY USE AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR PIPELINE AND COMPRESSOR PROJECTS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into at <u>St. Clairsville</u>, Ohio, by and between <u>THE BELMONT COUNTY</u> <u>COMMISSIONERS</u>, a political subdivision, whose mailing address is <u>101 W. Main St., Courthouse</u>, <u>St. Clairsville</u>, <u>Ohio 43950 (hereafter "Authority")</u>, and <u>Ohio Gathering Company</u>, <u>L.L.C.</u>, whose mailing address is <u>43050 Industrial Park Road</u>, <u>Cadiz. Ohio 43907 (Hereafter "Operator")</u>, and shall be as follows:

<u>RECITALS</u>

WHEREAS, Authority has control of the several county/township roads and bridges within <u>Flushing</u> Township, in <u>Belmont County</u>, Ohio and is required by law to keep such roads in good repair; and

WHEREAS, Operator is the owner of certain right of way and field agreements, and intends to construct, operate and maintain certain facilities [Ohio Gathering Company Pipelines], including pipeline and appurtenant equipment, facilities, impoundments, and pipelines necessary for the operation of the [Ohio Gathering Company Pipelines] (hereafter collectively referred to as "Pipeline Activity") located in <u>Flushing Township</u>, in Belmont County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Operator intends to commence use <u>0.90</u> miles of <u>CR-68 (Flushing Northeast Road)</u>. for the purpose of ingress to and egress from the pipeline facilities [Ohio Gathering Company Pipelines], for traffic necessary for the purpose of constructing the pipeline facilities, (hereinafter referred to collectively as "Pipeline Activity"); and

WHEREAS, Authority and Operator desire to enter into an agreement, providing for the repair and maintenance of said roads and bridges thereon as a result of such Pipeline Activity; and

WHEREAS, if any county or township roads contemplated herein contain any railroad crossings, Section 3 below shall apply; NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the good faith performance by each party of the mutual covenants hereinafter set forth, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Operator agrees to the maintenance and repair of said roads and bridges, to their pre Pipeline Activity condition or as modified pursuant to Appendix A, thereon for any damages thereto, as a result of Pipeline Activity related to such sites.

FURTHER, Operator shall also provide for the strengthening and upgrading of the roads and bridges if mutually agreed to be necessary for the Pipeline Activity, prior to the start of Pipeline Activity. The areas and structures required to be strengthened and/or upgraded shall be determined by an engineer provided by the Operator with the approval of the County Engineer to be provided within thirty (30) days of a written request submitted by the Operator. Operator's engineer shall provide a written report to the County detailing the condition of the roads and appurtenances covered under this Agreement along with any recommendations, if necessary.

BOTH PARTIES FURTHER AGREE to the following additional terms and conditions:

- The portion of <u>CR-68 (Flushing Northeast Road)</u>, to be utilized by Operator hereunder, is that exclusive portion beginning at <u>the northerly line of the Village of Flushing</u> and ending at <u>the northerly line of Belmont County</u>. It is understood and agreed that the Operator shall not utilize any of the remainder of <u>CR-68 (Flushing Northeast Road)</u> for any of its Pipeline Activities hereunder.
- 2. Those portions of said roads and bridges and their appurtenances to be used by Operator hereunder and mutually agreed to require necessary strengthening and/or upgrading by the Operator's Engineer in conjunction with the County Engineer, shall be strengthened and/or upgraded to a condition sufficient and adequate to sustain the anticipated Pipeline Activity by Operator, at Operator's sole expense, and with the advice and approval of the County Engineer as detailed in Appendix A. Thereafter, such roads shall be maintained by Operator for damages caused by Operator's Pipeline Activity, at Operator's sole expense, throughout the term of this Agreement, to a level consistent with the condition of such roads at the commencement of its use by the Operator hereunder or as modified pursuant to Appendix A, as determined by the Operator's engineer and the Belmont County Engineer. The maintenance of aforementioned roads includes the use of a commercially recognized dust palliative to control the airborne dust created and/or contributed to by the Operator or the Operator's contractors and or agents.

The Operator shall give notice to the railroad at least thirty (30) days prior to any known Pipeline Activity utilizing a railroad crossing so that a joint inspection can determine the condition of the crossing. Additionally, the Operator shall coordinate all work needing to be performed at a railroad crossing with the railroad company at least thirty (30) days prior to starting work on a railroad crossing. If the railroad company fails to respond to the Operator's notice of work needing to be performed at a railroad crossing within thirty (30) days of receipt of such notice, then the railroad waives all rights it has under this agreement with respect to the work specified in the notice. Work performed at a railroad crossing may include a separate agreement at the railroad's discretion. The Authority shall not be liable for any incidents arising out of or related to work performed at any railroad crossing pursuant to this Agreement or any separate Agreement between the Operator and the railroad company, or lack of notification by Operator.

- 1. Either the Operator or the Authority may terminate this Agreement with just cause following at least thirty (30) days written notice to the other of its intent to terminate. As soon as possible after receipt of such notice, the Authority and the Operator shall inspect said roads and bridges and their appurtenances. Following final inspection, the parties shall meet, and all restoration resulting from Operator's Pipeline Activity shall be identified and thereafter completed by the Operator to insure the roads are at least returned to the condition they were in prior to the Operator's use for its Pipeline Activity, at Operator's sole expense. Following completion of all restoration work, this Agreement shall be terminated and of no further force or effect.
- 2. Unless excepted for the reasons provided below, prior to the Pipeline Activity on the designated Route, Operator shall post a bond or other surety in a form satisfactory to the Authority to cover the costs of any damage caused by the Pipeline Activity on the Route by Operator. The amount of the bond or surety shall be considered to be included in the County-Wide bond on file at the County, as described in Appendix A. However, no such bond or surety shall be required of Operator, if any of the following conditions are satisfied:
 - a. A geotechnical analysis of the route provided by the Operator and mutually accepted by the Authority and Operator exhibits that the route's condition is sufficient for the expected traffic necessary for the development of the oil and gas development site.
 - b. The Operator provides a geotechnical analysis of the route, mutually accepted by the Authority and Operator, and based on that analysis, an Operator and Authority-approved maintenance plan for the route or an Operator and Authority-approved preventative repair plan of the route is attached to the Agreement as an addendum.
 - c. The Operator has provided a sufficient bond or surety accepted by the Authority and Operator, in favor of the Authority for road usage by the Operator within the Authority's oversight.
- 3. All motor vehicles to be utilized by Operator hereunder, whether owned by Operator or others, shall comply with all legal size, load and weight limits in accordance with State Law, and all non-conforming vehicles shall require the proper local permit.
- 4. Operator shall furnish the Authority with a written Letter of Authority, setting forth all necessary contact information, including a twenty four (24) hour emergency contact number, for the authorized local representative of the Operator, and such information shall be maintained and kept current at all times concerned hereunder.
- 5. If Authority determines that any additional traffic signage is needed, or desired, as a result of this Agreement and in the interests of safety, then Operator shall provide for such signage at Operator's sole expense. In the event that any other safety concerns should arise during the course of this Agreement, Operator and Authority agree that they will mutually discuss such concerns and reach a resolution satisfactory to all concerned.
- 6. Operator acknowledges that pursuant to Ohio Attorney General Opinion 2012-029 issued on September 19, 2012, the County is required to comply with Revised Code 411S.03-.16 when the total overall project cost to the Operator is fairly

estimated to be more than the amount prescribed in Ohio Revised Code Section 4115.03 (B)(4). Operator further acknowledges that at the time any necessary road maintenance or repairs are required, the estimated costs and actual cost of such work to be performed pursuant to this agreement will be solely within the knowledge of Operator since Operator is responsible for paying 100% of said cost. Therefore, Operator hereby agrees that Operator will take all measures to ensure compliance with Ohio's Prevailing Wage Laws.

- 7. Operator shall protect, save, indemnify, and hold the Authority, its officials, agents and employees harmless from any liability, claims, damages, penalties, charges, or costs including reasonable attorney's fees which may arise or be claimed as a result of any violations of any laws or ordinances, or any loss, damage or expense, including injury or death to any person, from any cause or causes from Operator's use of the roads pursuant to this Agreement. "The forgoing indemnity shall not apply to the extent that such claims are attributable to the fault or negligence of the Authority".
- 8. Operator assumes all liability for subcontractors and or agents working on Operator's behalf for this specific agreement.
- 9. This Agreement shall be binding upon Operator and Authority, and their respective successors and assigns.
- 10. In any event that any clause, provision or remedy in this Agreement shall, for any reason, be deemed invalid or unenforceable, the remaining clauses and provisions shall not be affected, impaired or invalidated and shall remain in full force and effect
- 11. Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Ohio.
- 12. This Agreement shall be in effect on October 31, 2018.

Executed in duplicate on the dates set forth below. **Authority Operator** By: J. P. Dutton /s/ By: J. W. Breen /s/ Commissioner By: Mark A. Thomas /s/ Printed name: Jeffrey Breen Commissioner By: Josh Meyer /s/ Company Name: Ohio Gathering Company, L.L.C. Commissioner By: Terry Lively /s/ <u>Title: Transportation Permits Manager</u> County Engineer Dated: 10-31-18 Dated: 10-31-18 Approved as to Form: David K. Liberati /s/ Assist P.A. County Prosecutor Upon roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Dutton Yes

Mr. Dutton Yes
Mr. Meyer Yes
Mr. Thomas Yes

Mr. Dutton said the Board's Town Hall in Powhatan Point on Monday evening was well attended. A lot of different issues were raised. He said it's always great to have community involvement and spend time and explain issues of importance to the residents.

Mr. Dutton commented on yesterday's meeting that was held in the Commissioners' office regarding property evaluation through the Auditor's office, the Treasurer was involved as well. He said the process doesn't involve the Board of Commissioners, but they allowed their offices to be used. The process is required by state statute every six years. The property evaluation is done by appraisers from outside of the county who are state certified. The County Auditor and Treasurer allowed the public to come in and ask specific questions about information they received in the mail. He said Commissioners offered their office because extra space was needed. Mr. Thomas said it needs to be clear the appraisal process is required by Ohio law. Every six years re-evaluation appraisal requires the Auditor or his experts to come in and physically look at every parcel in the county. He said Auditor Conroy hired a firm out of Findley, Ohio to do it; they spent over a year here working on it and created the numbers. The Ohio Revised Code than requires the triennial appraisal which is every third year of the six year process. That appraisal does not require a physical assessment of the property; it is done by sales and market data. He noted the procedure is entirely done by the County Auditor. The Board of Commissioners is not involved. Mr. Dutton added the county is not the main recipient of the funds collected from property taxes. The largest recipient of the funds is the school districts. The county receives approximately 5¢ for every dollar collected; 60¢ to 70¢ of that dollar goes to the school district and the rest goes to the various levies.

9:30 Subdivision Hearing-Plat of Rabbit Run Road (Private)

Present: Will Eddy, Draft Technician II. Mr. Eddy reviewed maps with the Board of Commissioners. He said a larger lot is being divided and road access is needed for it. He said Terry Lively, Belmont County Engineer, gave his okay.

IN THE MATTER OF FINAL PLAT APPROVAL OF RABBIT RUN ROAD (PRIVATE) WARREN TOWNSHIP SEC. 2, T-8, R-6

"Hearing Had <u>9:30</u> A.M."

"FINAL PLAT APPROVAL" O.R.C. 711.05

Motion made by Mr. Dutton to grant the final plat for the following:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, this day there was presented to the Board for approval of the Final Plat for <u>Rabbit Run Road (Private)</u>, <u>Warren Township Sec. 2</u> <u>T-8, R-6</u>, which appears to be regular in form and approved by the proper parties;

THEREFORE, said plat is hereby approved, upon recommendation of the County Engineer and with concurrence of the Township Trustees.

Mr. Meyer seconded the motion and upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dutton Yes
Mr. Meyer Yes
Mr. Thomas Yes

I do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of Journal Entry of October 31, 2018, as recorded in Volume 101 of the County Commissioners' Journal.

Jayne Long /s/ Jayne Long, Clerk

cc: Engineer Township F.O.

IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:36 A. M.

Motion made by Mr. Dutton, seconded by Mr. Meyer to enter executive session with Katie Bayness, HR Administrator, pursuant to ORC 121.22(G)(1) Personnel Exception to consider the employment, compensation of public employees.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dutton Yes Mr. Meyer Yes Mr. Thomas Yes

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNING EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 10:25 A.M.

Motion made by Mr. Dutton, seconded by Mr. Meyer to exit executive session.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dutton Yes Mr. Meyer Yes Mr. Thomas Yes

AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION-NO ACTION TAKEN AT THIS TIME

IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING

EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 10:45 A.M.

Motion made by Mr. Dutton, seconded by Mr. Meyer to enter executive session with Katie Bayness, HR Administrator, pursuant to ORC 121.22(G)(1) Personnel Exception to consider the discipline of a public employee.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dutton Yes Mr. Meyer Yes Mr. Thomas Yes

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNING EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 11:09 A.M.

Motion made by Mr. Dutton, seconded by Mr. Meyer to exit executive session at 11:09 a.m.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Dutton Yes Mr. Meyer Yes Mr. Thomas Yes

AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION-NO ACTION TAKEN AT THIS TIME

IN THE MATTER OF THE VACATION

OF UNNAMED ALLEY IN SUNNYSIDE ADDITION Office of County Commissioners

RICHLAND TWP. SEC. 29, T-7, R-4/RD IMP 1169

Belmont County, Ohio

Journal Entry--Order Upon view of Proposed Improvement ORDER TO COUNTY ENGINEER Rev. Code. Sec. 5553.06

Petitioned for by freeholders and others

The Board of County Commissioners of <u>Belmont</u> County, Ohio met in <u>regular</u> session on the <u>31st</u> day of <u>October</u>, <u>2018</u>, at the office of the Commissioners with the following members present:

Mr. Dutton

Mr. Meyer

Mr. Thomas

Mr. Dutton moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, On the <u>31st</u> day of <u>October</u>, <u>2018</u>, the time heretofore fixed for view of the proposed improvement, we, the Board of County Commissioners having jurisdiction in said matter, went upon the line of said proposed improvement and made personal view of the proposed route and termini thereof, and after full investigation and due consideration of all the facts and conditions pertaining thereto; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we do find and consider said improvement of sufficient public importance to instruct the County Engineer to make an accurate survey and plat of the same, and furnish an accurate and detailed description of the proposed improvement describing the center line and right of way lines thereof.

Said County Engineer shall also furnish an accurate and detailed description of each tract of land which he believes will be necessary to be taken in the event the proposed improvement be made, together with the name of each owner.

Said County Engineer shall also, at the time of making such survey, set stakes at the termini of each right of way line and at all angles between such termini, and at sufficient other points on the right of way lines so that the bounds of the proposed improvement may be discernible to property owners and other interested persons; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the said County Engineer be and he is hereby directed to make a report in writing to this Board, on or before the 7th day of November, 2018 the date fixed for the final hearing, setting forth the opinion of said County Engineer either for or against said proposed improvement, ² and the width to which said improvement shall be opened, which shall not be less than thirty feet; said report shall be accompanied by said plat and detailed and accurate descriptions, and filed with the County Commissioners, and this case is continued unto said date.

Mr. Meyer seconded the Resolution and the roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Dutton Yes
Mr. Meyer Yes
Mr. Thomas Yes

Adopted October 31, 2018

Jayne Long /s/
Clerk, Board of County Commissioners
Belmont County, Ohio

2. Strike out the clause from "and feet," if a road is not to be located or established

l. "Locating," "establishing," "altering," "widening," "straightening," "vacating," or "changing direction of."



Upon roll call the vote was as follows:		
1	Mr. Dutton	Yes
	Mr. Meyer	Yes
	Mr. Thomas	Yes
Read, approved and signed this 7th day of November	<u>er</u> , 2018.	
L.D. Dutter /e/		
J. P. Dutton /s/		
Mark A. Thomas /s/	COUNTY COM	MISSIONERS
Josh Meyer /s/		
		Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio, do hereby certify
Code of Ohio.	soard nave been read, a	approved and signed as provided for by Sec. 305.11 of the Revised
Code of Offic.		
J. P. Dutton /s/	PRESIDI	ENT
lavna Lang /a/	CLERK	
Jayne Long /s/	CLEKK	