

The Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio, met this day in regular session. Present: Jerry Echemann and J. P. Dutton, Commissioners and Bonnie Zuzak, Clerk of the Board. Absent: Commissioner Josh Meyer

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. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Dutton 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 her warrant on the County Treasurer in payment of the bills allowed:

IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$2,264,254.88

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Echemann	Yes
Mr. Dutton	Yes
Mr. Meyer	Absent

IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFERS WITHIN FUND

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Dutton to approve the following transfers within fund for the *following funds*:

A00 GENERAL FUND

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
E-0257-A017-A00.000 Contingencies	E-0257-A015-A15.074 Transfers Out	\$20,000.00

G50 LODGING EXCISE TAX

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
E-1910-G050-G01.000 Convention and Vist.	E-1910-G050-G10.000 Colerain Twp.	\$31.75
E-1910-G050-G01.000 Convention and Vist.	E-1910-G050-G12.000 Village of Barnesville	\$1.30

K00 M.V.G.T./ENGINEER

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
E-2813-K000-K30.013 Cont-Projects	E-2813-K000-K40.074 Transfers Out	\$102,719.66

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Echemann	Yes
Mr. Dutton	Yes
Mr. Meyer	Absent

IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUND

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

A00 GENERAL FUND

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
E-0257-A015-A15.074 Transfers Out	R-1600-B000-B11.574 Transfers	\$20,000.00

K00 M.V.G.T AND N42 OPWC/ENGINEER

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
E-2813-K000-K40.074 Transfers Out	R-9042-N042-N03.574 Transfers In	\$102,719.66

Y03 COUNTY AUTO LICENSE AND K00 M.V.G.T. FUND/ENGINEER

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
E-9803-Y003-Y01.000 County Auto License	R-2810-K000-K16.574 Transfers In	\$600,000.00

Y04 GASOLINE TAX AND K00 M.V.G.T. FUND/ENGINEER

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
E-9804-Y004-Y01.000 Gas Tax	R-2810-K000-K17.574 Transfers In	\$2,100,000.00

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Echemann	Yes
Mr. Dutton	Yes
Mr. Meyer	Absent

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Dutton to make the following additional appropriations, in accordance with the Official Certificate of Estimated Resources as approved by the Budget Commission, under the August 18, 2021, meeting:

A00 GENERAL FUND

E-0057-A006-F06.011	Veterinary Services	\$1,946.55
E-0057-A006-F08.000	Other Expenses	\$150.00
E-0256-A014-A01.000	CORSA COSTS	\$2,500.00

B00 DOG AND KENNEL FUND

E-1600-B000-B07.000	Veterinary Services	\$6,448.15
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G50 LODGING EXCISE TAX

E-1910-G050-G01.000	Convention and Visitors Bureau	\$100,241.26
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L01 SOIL CONSERVATION

E-1810-L001-L01.002	Salaries	\$10,300.00
E-1810-L001-L11.003	PERS	\$2,000.00
E-1810-L001-L14.000	Other Expenses	\$3,000.00

N22 WWS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

E-9022-N022-N17.000	USDA Water Projects	\$1,825,654.12
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N42 OPCW/ENGINEER

E-9042-N042-N01.055	Construction	\$102,719.66
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S12 PORT AUTHORITY

E-9799-S012-S14.074	Transfers Out	\$2,942.40
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S55 TARGETED COMM ALTERN TO PRISON/ADULT PROBATION

E-1545-S055-S02.002	Salary/Fringes	\$76,291.00
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Y01 UND. AUTO TAX

E-9801-Y001-Y01.000	Und. Auto Tax	\$298,324.48
E-9801-Y001-Y03.000	Township-Permissive Tax	\$81,120.20
E-9801-Y001-Y05.000	Pease Township	\$3,648.00
E-9801-Y001-Y06.000	Goshen Township	\$1,692.00
E-9801-Y001-Y07.000	Warren Township	\$3,372.75

E-9801-Y001-Y08.000	Pultney Township	\$4,012.00
E-9801-Y001-Y09.000	Flushing Township	\$760.00
E-9801-Y001-Y10.000	Colerain Township	\$1,590.00
E-9801-Y001-Y11.000	Kirkwood Township	\$202.50
E-9801-Y001-Y12.000	Mead Township	\$879.00
E-9801-Y001-Y13.000	Richland Township	\$2,664.00
E-9801-Y001-Y14.000	Smith Township	\$588.00
E-9801-Y001-Y15.000	Somerset Township	\$481.50
E-9801-Y001-Y16.000	Union Township	\$919.50
E-9801-Y001-Y17.000	Washington Township	\$178.50
E-9801-Y001-Y18.000	Wayne Township	\$315.00
E-9801-Y001-Y19.000	Wheeling Township	\$495.75
E-9801-Y001-Y20.000	York Township	\$376.50

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Echemann	Yes
Mr. Dutton	Yes
Mr. Meyer	Absent

IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATION OF MONIES BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Dutton to request the Belmont County Budget Commission certify the following monies.

B00/UNSPECIFIED DONATIONS-DOG AND KENNEL FUND-\$6,448.15 deposited into R-1600-B000-B08.500 from 4/012021 – 6/30/2021 (*Acknowledged by the BOC 8/11/2021*)

G50 LODGING EXCISE TAX-\$100,241.26 deposited into R-1910-G050-G01.500 on various dates in May, June, July and August, 2021.

GENERAL FUND/ANIMAL SHELTER-\$150.00 deposited into R-0057-A006.A03.500 balance available as of 7/31/2021 (*Adoption fee paid in on various dates in July 2021*)

GENERAL FUND/REIMBURSEMENT FROM CAT STRAY SHUN-\$1,946.55 deposited into R-0057-A006-A05.500 Animal Shelter Reimbursement Vet Bills on 7/30/2021 (*Money was received from Belmont County Cat Stray Shun for the reimbursement of July 2021 New Horizon Animal Hospital vet bills*)

GENERAL FUND/REIMBURSEMENT (SUBROGATION) PRIME INC.-\$2,500.00 deposited into R-0050-A000-A45.500 Refunds and Reimbursements on 8/10/2021 (*Money was received from Prime inc. for subrogation of Claim 0160031733 DOL 11/2/2020*)

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Echemann	Yes
Mr. Dutton	Yes
Mr. Meyer	Absent

IN THE MATTER OF GRANTING PERMISSION FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO TRAVEL

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

SSOBC-Mary Beth Tennant to Moundsville, WV, on September 2, 2021, for a senior outing at the Prima Marina Restaurant. Tish Kinney to Sugarcreek, OH, on September 9, 2021, for a senior outing at Amish County. County vehicles will be used for travel.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Echemann	Yes
Mr. Dutton	Yes
Mr. Meyer	Absent

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Dutton to approve the minutes of the Belmont County Board of Commissioners regular meeting of August 11, 2021.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Echemann	Yes
Mr. Dutton	Yes
Mr. Meyer	Absent

IN THE MATTER OF ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF SUMMER EMPLOYEE CASEY KILDOW/RECORDS

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Dutton to accept the resignation of Casey Kildow as a summer employee at the Belmont County Records and Archives, effective August 13, 2021.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Echemann	Yes
Mr. Dutton	Yes
Mr. Meyer	Absent

IN THE MATTER OF ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF SUMMER EMPLOYEE LLOYD COPE/WATER & SEWER DISTRICT

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Dutton to accept the resignation of Lloyd Cope as a summer employee at the Belmont County Water & Sewer District, effective August 20, 2021.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Echemann	Yes
Mr. Dutton	Yes
Mr. Meyer	Absent

IN THE MATTER OF ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF SUMMER EMPLOYEE DERIC TANLEY/WATER & SEWER DISTRICT

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Dutton to accept the resignation of Deric Tanley as a summer employee at the Belmont County Water & Sewer District, effective August 20, 2021.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Echemann	Yes
Mr. Dutton	Yes
Mr. Meyer	Absent

**IN THE MATTER OF HIRING MICHAEL KNOX AS
FULL-TIME REGISTERED NURSE/JAIL**

Motion to hire Michael Knox as full-time Registered Nurse at the Belmont County Jail, effective August 29, 2021.

Note: This is a replacement position

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Echemann	Yes
Mr. Dutton	Yes
Mr. Meyer	Absent

**IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF LAUREN HAGILOIZOU AS
A FULL-TIME PERMANENT INCOME MAINTENANCE AIDE II FOR THE
BELMONT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES**

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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code, the Belmont County Board of Commissioners serves as co-appointing authority for the Belmont County Department of Job and Family Services; and

WHEREAS, in this capacity, the Board has the authority to establish compensation and benefit levels and authorize any hiring and/or other employment changes.

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 hire Ms. Lauren Hagiloizou, effective August 23, 2021, as an Income Maintenance Aide II. Ms. Hagiloizou will be employed as a full-time permanent, bargaining unit employee. Compensation shall be in accordance with the salary schedule as indicated in the current bargaining unit labor contract.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Echemann	Yes
Mr. Dutton	Yes
Mr. Meyer	Absent

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING PAY REQUEST FROM
BORDER PATROL, LLC, FOR THE FOX SHANNON WASTEWATER
TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Dutton to approve the following pay request from Border Patrol, LLC, for the Fox Shannon Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements project:

Pay App #1 (through 6/14/2021) in the amount of \$261,820.00

Pay App #2 (through 7/12/2021) in the amount of \$183,261.46

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Echemann	Yes
Mr. Dutton	Yes
Mr. Meyer	Absent

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING QUOTE FROM FLAG FLOORS OF BARNESVILLE/
JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES/310 FOX SHANNON**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Dutton to approve the quote from Flag Floors of Barnesville in the amount of \$48,206.00 to take up existing carpet and cove base and provide and install new 24"x24" carpet tile and 4" cove base and 24"x24" walk-off carpet tile with transitions at the Belmont County Job and Family Services offices located at 310 Fox Shannon.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Echemann	Yes
Mr. Dutton	Yes
Mr. Meyer	Absent

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING J. P. DUTTON TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S) AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED**

“AUTHORIZATION LEGISLATION DESIGNATING OFFICIAL”

ATTACHMENT C

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

WHEREAS, the Belmont County Commission is planning to make capital improvements to BEL 4-8.82 Willow Grove Embankment Failure Project; and

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

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Belmont County Commission:

Section 1: Belmont County Commissioner J. P. Dutton is hereby authorized to apply to the OPWC for funds as described above.

Section 2: Belmont County Commissioner J. P. Dutton is authorized to enter into any agreements as may be necessary and appropriate for obtaining this financial assistance.

Motion made by Commissioner Echemann seconded by Commissioner Dutton to adopt the foregoing resolution which upon roll call was unanimously adopted.

Passed: August 18, 2021

Signed: **Belmont County Commissioners**

Jerry Echemann /s/

Jerry Echemann, President

Josh Meyer, Vice-President

J. P. Dutton /s/

J.P. Dutton

Discussion: OPWC application-BEL 4-8.82 Willow Grove Embankment Failure Project-Belmont County Engineer Terry Lively explained this damage was caused in late 2019 from severe flooding in the area. One of the things that was damaged was the embankment along Willow Grove Road. The embankment failure threatened the stability of the roadway. The Engineer's Department immediately put up temporary traffic lights to take it down to one lane. OPWC emergency funding, Ohio EMA funding and ODOT funding was applied for and denied for various

reasons. This OPWC emergency grant received was made possible by Senator Hoagland. The project is 120' feet and approximate cost is \$190,000 which will be funded 83.3% by the OPWC grant. Mr. Dutton commended Mr. Lively for getting the additional dollars in Belmont County. He said some has been a team effort and some has been through the Engineer's office. Two grants were received from the TID (Transportation Improvement District) and three OPWC project in the last couple of years. He added we also had an ODOT project through the Shale program and a couple through ODOT Jobs and Commerce. Mr. Dutton said, "I think it needs to be commended that a lot of outside dollars were provided in the last two years or so. It is well documented the backlog of project we're dealing with, but I think, hopefully, we're slowly turning a corner and eventually we'll get to be in a better spot. All of this funding is helping to do that." Mr. Lively said they have been very fortunate and very aggressive going after the grants. Frank Shaffer, Pultney Township Trustee, asked if the upfront funding came from the Motor Vehicle Tax. Mr. Lively said yes, but there are various funding sources and they are all structured differently. They received authorization to begin the OPWC emergency funding project for Willow Grove Road. That project they were planning on doing with the license plate fees whether they received funding for it or not. There are also FEMA projects, Federal Highway projects, 20% of the Federal Highway projects is being fund through the license plate fees. Mr. Lively said there are different funding sources and different ways they are being paid for. "We have a lot of things going on right now, a lot of money in play right now, and a lot of projects going on right now., said Mr. Lively."

RECESS

9:30 Tracey Dickerson, OSU Extension 4-H Educator and Junior and Senior Fair Board Members

Re: Fair Board Update

Present: Tracey Dickerson, Alex Bauerbach and Amber Cawthorne, OSU Extension, Kaylin Burress, Alyssa Betts and Sierra Betts, Junior Fair Board members and Ed Campbell, Fair Board President and David Jones, Senior Fair Board member.

Ms. Dickerson said, "It's really a busy time of year, getting all the things ready to go. We're really looking ready to go, and I'm impressed by the youth of our county and the support of the fair board and everything they have done to make sure these kids have a great experience in the fair. It's been nice to assure the kids that there will be a fair. That is not up for debate at this point, and we're moving forward with that." Junior Fair Board members have already participated in the still projects at the local and state level. They explained 4-H is not just animal based. Their goal is to expand 4-H to show kids it's not just about the animals. There is also shooting sports, cross bow, baking, sewing, etc. Mr. Campbell said they have been working for several months getting ready for the fair. Concrete work has been done and they have built a new Junior Fair building. Mr. Dutton said there was a lot of improvements over the last two years. Mr. Jones said, "It is all about the youth and we're proud of them and the work that they do." He added they have 155 acres and due to the Board of Commissioners they have blacktop on the roads and midway. Mr. Jones said they appreciate the Board of Commissioners and all they do. "It's one of the greatest fair grounds in the state," said Mr. Jones. Mr. Dutton said it's a team effort, we're just a small part of it. All of the hard work gets done by the Fair Board and they should be proud. He mentioned there are also private individuals who have made contributions.

RECESS

IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 10:02 A.M.

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

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Echemann	Yes
Mr. Dutton	Yes
Mr. Meyer	Absent

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNING EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 11:04 A.M.

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Dutton to exit executive session at 12:27 p.m.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Echemann	Yes
Mr. Dutton	Yes
Mr. Meyer	Absent

Mr. Echemann said as a result of executive session there are two motions for the board to consider.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING PROMOTING CHARLOTTE MCLAUGHLIN FROM PART-TIME DELIVERY WORKER (DRIVER) TO FULL-TIME UNIT SUPPORT WORKER II/SSOBC

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Dutton to approve the promotion of Charlotte McLaughlin from part-time Delivery Worker (Driver) to full-time Unit Support Worker II with Senior Services of Belmont County, effective August 23, 2021.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Echemann	Yes
Mr. Dutton	Yes
Mr. Meyer	Absent

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF MARIO DEFELICE FROM ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK TO EQUIPMENT OPERATOR/WATER & SEWER DISTRICT

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Dutton to approve the transfer of Mario DeFelice from Administrative Clerk to Equipment Operator at the Belmont County Water and Sewer District, effective Monday, August 23, 2021.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Echemann	Yes
Mr. Dutton	Yes
Mr. Meyer	Absent

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**IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNING
COMMISSIONERS MEETING AT 11:26 A.M.**

Motion made by Mr. Echemann, seconded by Mr. Dutton to adjourn the meeting at 11:26 a.m.
Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Echemann	Yes
Mr. Dutton	Yes
Mr. Meyer	Absent

Read, approved and signed this 25th day of August, 2021.

Jerry Echemann /s/ _____

J. P. Dutton /s/ _____ COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Josh Meyer /s/ _____

We, Jerry Echemann and Bonnie Zuzak, President and Clerk respectively of the Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio, do hereby certify the foregoing minutes of the proceedings of said Board have been read, approved and signed as provided for by Sec. 305.11 of the Revised Code of Ohio.

Jerry Echemann /s/ _____ PRESIDENT

Bonnie Zuzak /s/ _____ CLERK