

The Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio, met this day in regular session. Present: Ryan E. Olexo, Charles R. Probst, and Mark A. Thomas (absent) Commissioners and Darlene Pempek, Clerk of the Board. Minutes of the meeting of December 26, 2001, were read, approved and signed.

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ALLOWANCE OF BILLS  
AS CERTIFIED IN THE AUDITOR'S OFFICE.

"BILLS ALLOWED"

The following bills having been certified in the Auditor's office, on motion by Mr. Olexo, seconded by Mr. Probst all members present voting YES, each bill was considered and it is hereby ordered that the County Auditor issue his warrant on the County Treasurer in payment of bills allowed.

Claim of	Purposes	Amount
Bank One Acct #00001-059-1	CDBG Projects-CDBG	21,357.00
Health Assurance HMO	January premium-Insurance	56,382.84
Health Plan	January premium-Insurance	94,552.53
Health Assurance PPO	January premium-Insurance	113,601.66

IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF  
FUNDS FOR THE OAKVIEW JUVENILE  
REHABILITATION DISTRICT AFTERCARE S30 FUND

Motion made by Mr. Olexo, seconded by Mr. Probst to make the following transfer of funds as follows:

S30 OAKVIEW REHABILITATION DISTRICT'S AFTERCARE FUND		
FROM	TO	AMOUNT
S030-S51 Salaries	S430-S66 Medicare	\$200.00

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Olexo	Yes
Mr. Probst	Yes

IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF  
FUNDS WITHIN THE FUND FOR THE  
BELMONT HARRISON JUVENILE DISTRICT  
GROUP HOMES

Motion made by Mr. Olexo, seconded by Mr. Probst to make to make the following transfer of funds as follows:

FROM:	TO:	AMOUNT
S031-S01 SALARIES	S031-G26 TRANSFERS OUT	\$ 1228.21
S031-G02 SUPPLIES	S031-G26 TRANSFERS OUT	400.07
S031-G03 FOOD SERVICE EXP	S031-G26 TRANSFERS OUT	2592.60
S031-G04 MATERIAL	S031-G26 TRANSFERS OUT	526.97
S031-G05 GROUP HOME ACT	S031-G26 TRANSFERS OUT	489.38
S031-G06 EQUIPMENT	S031-G26 TRANSFERS OUT	865.52
S031-G07 CONTRACT SVC	S031-G26 TRANSFERS OUT	2966.85
S031-G08 CONTRACT REPARI	S031-G26 TRANSFERS OUT	1186.99
S031-G09 TRAINING	S031-G26 TRANSFERS OUT	1717.87
S031-G10 RENTAL	S031-G26 TRANSFERS OUT	1945.00
S031-G11 TRAVEL	S031-G26 TRANSFERS OUT	2040.07
S031-G12 PERS	S031-G26 TRANSFERS OUT	2214.84
S031-G14 WORKERS COMP	S031-G26 TRANSFERS OUT	29.50
S031-G16 MEDICARE	S031-G26 TRANSFERS OUT	355.69
S031-G17 HOSPITALIZATION	S031-G26 TRANSFERS OUT	143.92
S031-G18 CONTING - GIRLS	S031-G26 TRANSFERS OUT	802.92
S031-G19 CONTING-BOYS	S031-G26 TRANSFERS OUT	.05

TOTAL \$20,506.45

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Olexo	Yes
Mr. Probst	Yes

IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF  
FUNDS BETWEEN THE GENERAL FUND AND  
S33 BELMONT HARRISON  
JUVENILE DETENTION FUND

Motion made by Mr. Probst , seconded by Mr. Olexo to make the following transfer of funds between the General Fund and the S33 Belmont Harrison Juvenile Detention Fund.

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
A015-A15 Transfers Out	S033-S15 Transfers In	\$ 26,433.14

*Transfer of monies / closing out the S31 Belmont Harrison Juvenile Detention Group Home Fund and combining with the S33 District Detention Home Fund*

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Probst	Yes
Mr. Olexo	Yes

IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF  
FUNDS BETWEEN BELMONT HARRISON  
JUVENILE DETENTION GROUP HOME FUND S31  
AND THE GENERAL FUND

Motion made by Mr. Probst , seconded by Mr. Olexo to make the following transfer of funds between the Belmont Harrison Juvenile Detention Group Home Fund and the General Fund.

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
S031-G26 Transfers Out	A047-A00 Transfers In	\$26,433.14

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Probst	Yes
Mr. Olexo	Yes

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL  
APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE GENERAL FUND

Motion made by Mr. Probst, seconded by Mr. Olexo to make the following additional appropriation in accordance with the Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources, as revised by the Budget Commission under the date of December 28, 2001.

GENERAL FUND	
A015-A15 Transfers Out	\$26,433.14
<i>Transfer of monies / closing out the S31 Belmont Harrison Juvenile Detention Group Home Fund and combining with the S33 District Detention Home Fund</i>	

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Probst	Yes
Mr. Olexo	Yes

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL  
APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE S31  
BELMONT HARRISON JUVENILE DETENTION  
GROUP HOME FUND

Motion made by Mr. Probst, seconded by Mr. Olexo to make the following additional appropriation in accordance with the Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources, as revised by the Budget Commission under the date of December 28, 2001.

S31 BELMONT HARRISON JUVENILE DETENTION GROUP HOME FUND	
S03-G26 Transfers Out	\$5,926.69

*Transfer of monies closing out the S31 Belmont Harrison Juvenile Detention Group Home Fund and combining with the S33 District Detention Home Fund*

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Probst	Yes
Mr. Olexo	Yes

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL  
APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE GENERAL FUND

Motion made by Mr. Probst, seconded by Mr. Olexo to make the following additional appropriation in accordance with the Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources, as revised by the Budget Commission under the date of December 28, 2001.

GENERAL FUND	
A015-A15 Transfers Out	\$160,000.00
To be transferred to N39 Capital Project Reserve Fund	

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Probst	Yes
Mr. Olexo	Yes

**IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL  
APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE GENERAL FUND**

Motion made by Mr. Probst, seconded by Mr. Olexo to make the following additional appropriation in accordance with the Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources, as revised by the Budget Commission under the date of December 26, 2001.

GENERAL FUND  
A015-A15 Transfers Out \$30,000.00  
To be transferred to Department of Job and Family Services Fund/Capital  
Appropriation/monies received from State of Ohio DAS for feasibility study

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Probst	Yes
Mr. Olexo	Yes

**IN THE MATTER OF REQUESTING  
CERTIFICATION OF MONIES**

Motion made by Mr. Olexo, seconded by Mr. Probst requesting the following monies be certified by the Budget Commission.

RE: Certification of monies for the CDBG Fund  
\$21,357.00 paid into T011-T01 on December 26, 2001  
Grant #B-F-00-007-1 Drawdown #256

RE: Certification of monies for the Belmont County General Fund  
\$30,000.00 paid into the General Fund on December 26, 2001  
A033-C01 State Money/Department of Administrative Services

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Olexo	Yes
Mr. Probst	Yes

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING PRELIMINARY  
PLAT OF HAWK VIEW 1<sup>ST</sup> ADDITION  
RICHLAND TOWNSHIP**

**"HEARING HAD-9:30 A.M."**

Present for the hearing were Ruth Graham, Engineer's Department; Tom Costine and Don Stephens, Richland Township Trustees; Linda L. Hull, Times Leader; Joselyn King, Intelligencer; James Mazgaj and Tom Porterfield.

Ruth Graham reported that the property developers, Richland Township Trustees and Fred Bennett, County Engineer have viewed the subdivision area which includes three roads proposed for public use. Cardinal Drive had been on another plat as a private roadway and there are a total of sixteen new lots going in. Mr. Bennett and the Richland Township Trustees are satisfied with the roadway and the Health Department has granted its approval.

**"Preliminary Plat Approved"**

Mr. Probst moved the adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, this day there was presented to the Board for approval preliminary plat of Hawk View 1<sup>st</sup> Addition, Richland Township, 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 the County Health Department,

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

Mr. Probst	<u>Yes</u>
Mr. Olexo	<u>Yes</u>

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING FINAL  
PLAT OF HAWK VIEW 1<sup>ST</sup> ADDITION  
RICHLAND TOWNSHIP**

**"Final Plat Approved"**

Mr. Probst moved the adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, this day there was presented to the Board for approval final Plat of Hawk View 1<sup>st</sup> Addition, Richland Township,

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

Mr. Probst	Yes
Mr. Olexo	Yes

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING**  
**MINUTES OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**REGULAR MEETINGS**

Motion made by Mr. Probst, seconded by Mr. Olexo to approve the minutes of the regular meetings of the Board of Commissioners of December 14, 2001 and December 19, 2001.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Probst	Yes
Mr. Olexo	Yes

**IN THE MATTER OF ANNUAL**  
**COUNTY HIGHWAY SYSTEM MILEAGE CERTIFICATION (2001)**  
**FOR O.D.O.T./ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT**

Motion made by Mr. Olexo, seconded by Mr. Probst to certify a total of 307.64 miles for calendar year 2001 and authorize the Clerk to submit the annual County Highway System Mileage Certification to the Director of O.D.O.T. as required by Ohio Revised Code Section 4501.04.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Olexo	Yes
Mr. Probst	Yes

**IN THE MATTER OF REAPPOINTMENT**  
**OF LISA BROWN TO THE BELMONT COUNTY**  
**BOARD OF MENTAL RETARDATION AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

Motion made by Mr. Probst, seconded by Mr. Olexo to re-appoint Lisa Brown to the Belmont County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities.

Ms. Brown's current term expires January 1, 2002. The new term is for a four year period beginning January 1, 2002 and continuing through January 1, 2006. House Bill 405 now allows board members to serve three consecutive terms. This is Ms. Brown's third term.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Olexo	Yes
Mr. Thomas	Absent
Mr. Probst	Yes

**IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTING**  
**RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF**  
**DONALD R. MYERS, DIRECTOR,**  
**DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT FROM 1990-2001**

Motion made by Mr. Olexo, seconded by Mr. Probst to adopt the following resolution in honor of Donald R. Myers, Belmont County's Director of Development from 1990 through 2001.

**WHEREAS**, The Belmont County Commissioners wish to honor and congratulate Mr. Donald R. Myers for his years of devoted service to Belmont County and it's communities, and;

**WHEREAS**, In 1990, Mr. Myers was appointed Belmont County's Director of Development and after eleven years of exemplary service, has resigned from that position, and;

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Myers has been an outstanding **"Ambassador"** for Belmont County, instrumental in bringing in excess of \$800 million in development and infrastructure to the county, and;

**WHEREAS**, Generations of Belmont Countians to come will benefit from the fruits of his labor that have contributed to Belmont County's growth, economic prosperity and quality of life, and;

**WHEREAS**, In addition to Director of Development, Mr. Myers has faithfully served on the Boards of numerous Community Civic and Charitable organizations, and;

**WHEREAS**, The Board of County Commissioners wish to honor, congratulate and commend Mr. Donald R. Myers for his years of devoted service to the community and to Belmont County.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Belmont County Commissioners does hereby proclaim honor, gratitude and thanks to Don, and expresses its appreciation for his outstanding contributions to the residents of Belmont County and wish him well in his future endeavors.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Olexo	Yes
Mr. Probst	Yes

**IN THE MATTER OF THE**  
**LOCATION OF MELVIN RUTTER RD.**  
**LOCATED IN PULTNEY TOWNSHIP**  
**RD IMP 1060**

Office of County Commissioners  
Belmont County, Ohio

RESOLUTION - ORDER TO LOCATE ROAD  
Sec. 5563.01 R.C.

Mr. Olexo moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, At least ten days have elapsed since the final order of the board in the matter of this improvement, and

WHEREAS, No person, firm or corporation interested, has effected an appeal from our orders in the matter of the above named improvement, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That it is hereby ordered that the proceedings be recorded as provided by law, and that said road be located, as order heretofore, made on journal of the date of December 12, 2001, and a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Pultney Township Trustees.

Mr. Probst seconded the Resolution and the roll being called upon its adoption the vote was as follows:

Mr. Olexo	Yes
Mr. Probst	Yes

**IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION HELD**  
**PUBLIC COMMENTS/ VARIOUS ISSUES**

**DEVELOPMENT PROPERTY IN RICHLAND TOWNSHIP**

Mr. Tom Costine, Richland Township Trustee, questioned if the Board would be acting in the capacity of Director of Development for Belmont County. Commissioners Olexo stated, "We are here to assist the Community Improvement Corporation, a replacement is being sought out for Don Myers. The duties of the Department of Development will either be assumed by the Board of Commissioners or the CIC Board. We will work together to make sure this is a smooth transition."

Mr. Costine explained he was asking because he wanted to know if the County had any intention of expanding water and sewage services in a new development area in Richland Township.

Commissioner Probst stated, "It is my understanding that the Commissioners before us had the foresight to plan for an expansion in that area. Everything is dead-ended and ready to go."

Commissioner Olexo stated, "The foresight was taken, the ability is there to expand the service. We will do everything we can to make sure those businesses locate in Belmont County."

**COMMITTEE ON AGING AND THE POWHATAN SENIOR CENTER**

Mr. Bob Munjas, Powhatan Point resident, informed the Board that the deed to the Powhatan Senior Center was changed this past March to read "the Powhatan Senior Citizens, Inc." He stated, "You have to go to the Attorney General's office to find out anymore information." Mr. Munjas then had questions in regards to the recently hired consultant for the Committee on Aging. Mr. Munjas questioned, "What exactly is the consultant's job"

Commissioner Olexo explained that the job of the consultant is going to be multi-faceted. The proposal submitted by the consultant, The Collomore Group, has many phases - he provided Mr. Munjas with the proposal.

Mr. Munjas then asked about the "past happenings" of the Committee on Aging and wanted to know what would happen to those issues. He stated, "Someone needs to look at the 2.7 million dollars invested in the Kuchinka building and the two audits that showed something was wrong." Mr. Munjas commented on what he felt were "political tactics" in Belmont County. Commissioner Olexo stated, "That is not the kind of tactics you have with the people running this county now. What you are saying is a lot of rumors and allegations."

Mr. Art Thompson raised several questions in regards to the Committee on Aging "The county buildings used for preparing the meals, the trucks and vans used for delivering meals-are those all county vehicles and if that is the case, how can a private individual operate his business out of a county building?"

Commissioner Olexo explained that the vans are not used for the private part of Mr. Laxton's business. He again explained that the COA is a not for profit organization and there is no profit involved.

Commissioner Probst stated, "Those are the same questions that I have asked and attempted to get answered. As for the kitchen facilities, we charge the COA rent for that space. I have asked for the names of the individuals served. My thoughts are to see exactly how many residents are being served with our levy monies."

Mr. Thompson stated, "I kept thinking about this and I couldn't understand it."

Commissioner Olexo commented, "That is why we are bringing in the consultants, to determine a means of documenting the sources, so they can be identified."

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION HELD  
PUBLIC COMMENTS/ VARIOUS ISSUES (cont'd)

**COMMITTEE ON AGING AND THE POWHATAN SENIOR CENTER**

Mr. Milton Porter questioned if the Board had appointed individuals to the advisory committee for the Committee On Aging. Commissioner Olexo explained that the Board is working with the consultants to get that achieved. He stated, "If you don't have certain agenda items, the Board falls apart. We want this to all come together at the right time so the members remain interested." Mr. Porter told the Board he would be very interested in serving on the Advisory Board."

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNING  
COMMISSIONERS MEETING AT 9:55 A.M.

Motion made by Mr. Probst, seconded by Mr. Olexo to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 A.M.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Probst	Yes
Mr. Olexo	Yes

Read, approved and signed this 3rd day of January A.D., 2002.

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\_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Mark A. Thomas-Absent

We, Ryan E. Olexo and Darlene Pempek, 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.

\_\_\_\_\_ PRESIDENT

\_\_\_\_\_ CLERK

