

The Board of Commissioners of Belmont County, Ohio, met this day in regular session. Present: Ginny Favede, Matt Coffland 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. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Coffland 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 \$650,385.34**

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Thomas	Yes
Mr. Coffland	Yes
Mrs. Favede	Yes

**IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFERS WITHIN FUND**

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

**GENERAL FUND**

<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
E-0051-A001-A03.010 Supplies	E-0051-A001-A50.000 Budget Stabilization	\$ 26,632.34
E-0051-A001-A08.000 Travel & Expenses	E-0051-A001-A50.000 Budget Stabilization	\$ 1,854.62
E-0051-A001-A13.000 Postage	E-0051-A001-A50.000 Budget Stabilization	\$ 25,398.90
E-0051-A001-A15.012 Sheriff's Cruisers	E-0051-A001-A50.000 Budget Stabilization	\$ 18,597.95
E-0051-A001-A16.000 Indigent Burial Exp.	E-0051-A001-A50.000 Budget Stabilization	\$ 6,200.00
E-0051-A001-A19.000 Courthouse Security	E-0051-A001-A50.000 Budget Stabilization	\$ 11,520.57
E-0051-A001-A20.012 Equipment	E-0051-A001-A50.000 Budget Stabilization	\$ 75,000.00
E-0051-A001-A28.000 Other Expenses	E-0051-A001-A50.000 Budget Stabilization	\$ 4,094.76
E-0257-A015-A13.000 Other Expenses	E-0051-A001-A50.000 Budget Stabilization	\$ 4,500.00
E-0257-A015-A14.000 Attorney Fees	E-0051-A001-A50.000 Budget Stabilization	\$ 51,818.00
E-0051-A001-A10.000 Professional Services	E-0257-A017-A00.000 Contingencies	\$540,000.00
E-0051-A001-A24.000 Infrastructure/ORC .026	E-0257-A017-A00.000 Contingencies	\$290,000.00
E-0257-A017-A00.000 Contingencies	E-0131-A006-A08.000 Food	\$110,000.00
E-0257-A017-A00.000 Contingencies	E-0131-A006-A25.000 Contract-Housing/Prisoners	\$200,000.00
E-0257-A017-A00.000 Contingencies	E-0082-A002-C20.010 Supplies	\$ 2,000.00

**S12 PORT AUTHORITY FUND**

<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
E-9799-S012-S07.000 Professional Services	E-9799-S012-S03.012 Equipment	\$500.00

**S66 BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES/VARIOUS**

<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
E-2410-S066-S84.074 Transfers Out	E-2410-S066-S65.002 Salaries	\$200,000.00
E-2410-S066-S84.074 Transfers Out	E-2410-S066-S70.011 Contract Services	\$150,000.00
E-2410-S066-S84.074 Transfers Out	E-2410-S066-S76.003 PERS/STRS	\$40,000.00
E-2410-S066-S84.074 Transfers Out	E-2410-S066-S79.005 Medicare	\$10,000.00
E-2410-S066-S84.074 Transfers Out	E-2410-S066-S80.000 Other Expenses	\$100,000.00

**S77 COMMUNITY-BASED CORRECTIONS ACT GRANT**

<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
E-1520-S077-S01.002 Salaries	E-1520-S077-S04.006 Hospitalization Ins.	\$393.50

**S86 NORTHERN COURT GENERAL SPECIAL PROJECT FUND**

<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
E-1561-S086-S08.000 Other Expenses	E-1561-S086-S03.006 Hospitalization Ins.	\$5,000.00

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Thomas	Yes
Mr. Coffland	Yes
Mrs. Favede	Yes

**IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFERS WITHIN FUND FOR THE GENERAL FUND**

Motion made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Coffland to approve the following transfer within fund for the General Fund:

<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
E-0257-A017-A00.000 Contingencies	E-0257-A015-A15.074 Transfers-Out	\$444,094.35

*Will be transferred to Engineer's D00 Fund for Paving*

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Thomas	Yes
Mr. Coffland	Yes
Mrs. Favede	No

**IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER BETWEEN THE BELMONT COUNTY GENERAL FUND AND THE ENGINEER'S ROAD & BRIDGES FUND/D00**

Motion made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Coffland to approve the following transfer between the Belmont County General Fund and the Engineer's Road and Bridges Fund/D00:

<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
E-0257-A015-A15.074 Transfers Out	R-1655-D000-D05.574 Transfers In	\$1,031,831.55

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Thomas	Yes
Mr. Coffland	Yes

Mrs. Favede No

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATE/AUDITOR'S**

Motion made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Coffland to execute payment of Then and Now Certification dated September 9, 2015 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. Thomas	Yes
Mr. Coffland	Yes
Mrs. Favede	Yes

**IN THE MATTER OF GRANTING PERMISSION FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO TRAVEL**

Motion made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Coffland granting permission for county employees to travel as follows: **DJFS**-William Marinacci to Columbus, OH, on October 21-23, 2015, for a PCSAO Conference. Vince Gianangeli and William Marinacci to Minneapolis, MN, on October 26-30, 2015, for an International Conference on Innovations in Family Engagement.

**SENIOR SERVICES**-Tish Kinney to Amish Country, on September 10, 2015, for a senior outing. Shirley Jo Case to Cambridge, OH, on September 14, 2015, to participate in the AAA9 Provider Information Fair. Mike McBride to Wheeling, WV, on September 24, 2015 for a senior outing. Susan Neavin to travel to Wheeling, WV, on September 29, 2015 for a senior outing.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Thomas	Yes
Mr. Coffland	Yes
Mrs. Favede	Yes

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

Motion made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Coffland to approve the minutes of the Belmont County Board of Commissioners regular meeting of August 12, 2015

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Thomas	Yes
Mr. Coffland	Yes
Mrs. Favede	Yes

**Reminder: The Board's regular meeting will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 15, 2015 instead of Wednesday, September 16, 2015.**

**IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING INTO CONTRACT WITH LASH PAVING CO. FOR ENGINEER PROJECT 15-5 RESURFACING VARIOUS COUNTY HIGHWAYS**

Motion made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Coffland to enter into contract for the Belmont County Engineer's Project 15-5 Resurfacing Various County Highways with The Lash Paving Company in the amount of \$1,030,831.55 based upon the recommendation of Fred Bennett, County Engineer.

**CONTRACT WITH BELMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROJECT 15-5 RESURFACING VARIOUS COUNTY HIGHWAYS**

Auditor's Office, Belmont County, Ohio

This contract made and entered into this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2015 between THE LASH PAVING COMPANY, P.O. Box 296, Colerain, OH 43916 and Matt Coffland, Mark Thomas, and Ginny Favede, Commissioners of Belmont County, WITNESSETH that said THE LASH PAVING COMPANY hereby agrees to furnish all service, labor, material and equipment and do all work requisite necessary for the resurfacing of various County Highways in accordance with plans and specifications.

Methods of Construction, Composition and Preparation of Materials shall conform to the latest applicable Sections of the State of Ohio Department of Transportation, Construction and Material Specifications and Supplemental Specifications and shall govern this project. All work shall be under the direction of the County Engineer.

APPROX. QUAN.	ITEM	DESCRIPTION	ITEMIZED PROPOSAL	
			UNIT PRICE BID	TOTAL AMOUNT BID
12,474 GAL	407	TACK COAT	\$1.55	\$19,334.70
1735 CUBIC YARDS	448	ASPHALT CONCRETE INTERMEDIATE COURSE TYPE 1	\$161.00	\$279,335.00
3470 CUBIC YARDS	448	ASPHALT CONCRETE SURFACE COURSE TYPE 1	\$161.00	\$558,670.00
1389 CUBIC YARDS	617	COMPACTED AGGREGATE	\$50.00	\$69,450.00
10.63 MILES	614	WORK ZONE CENTERLINE, CLASS II	\$1,100.00	\$11,693.00
10.67 MILES	644	CENTERLINE, TYPE 1 OR TYPE 2, 4"	\$4,285.00	\$45,720.95
21.34 MILES	644	EDGELINE, TYPE 1 OR TYPE 2, 4"	\$2,185.00	\$46,627.90
		TOTAL		\$1,030,831.55

And it is further understood and agreed upon by the parties above; that all the materials used shall be of the best kinds usually used for such purposes. That said THE LASH PAVING COMPANY cause to be executed a bond to the satisfaction of the Commissioners for the faithful performance of the work, and for the security of the county, against pecuniary loss.

BELMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
Ginny Favede /s/  
Mark A. Thomas /s/  
Matt Coffland /s/

THE LASH PAVING COMPANY  
 BY: Brian L. Varrato  
 Vice-President

KNOWN ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That we, the undersigned, are held and bound into the County of Belmont in the penal sum of One Million, Thirty Thousand, Eight Hundred Thirty-One Dollars and Fifty-Five Cents (\$1,030,831.55) for the payment of which well and truly to be made, we do hereby jointly bind ourselves, our Heirs, Executors, and Administrators.

Signed and dated this 3rd day of September, 2015.

The condition of the above obligation is such: that, whereas THE LASH PAVING COMPANY has this day contracted in writing with the Commissioners of the County of Belmont for the resurfacing of various COUNTY HIGHWAYS in accordance with all plans and specifications for the sum of (\$1,030,831.55).

Now the said THE LASH PAVING COMPANY shall well, truly and faithfully do and perform all and singular the conditions thereof they bound to do, then these presents to be void, otherwise to be and remain in full force.

Signed in the presence of:

Nancy M. Phillipovich /s/

Richard Oberdick /s/

THE LASH PAVING COMPANY

BY Brian L. Varrato /s/

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the money for the payment of this Contract is in the Treasury to the credit of the fund which is to be drawn, or has been levied and placed on the duplicate and is in the process of collection and not appropriated for any other purpose.

DATE 09-09, 2015

BELMONT COUNTY AUDITOR

BY: Andrew L. Sutak /s/

**CERTIFICATE OF THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY**

OFFICE OF PROSECUTING ATTORNEY, ST. CLAIRSVILLE, OHIO

APPROVED AS TO FORM

DATE Sept. 9, 2015

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

BY: David K. Liberati /s/

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Thomas	Yes
Mr. Coffland	Yes
Mrs. Favede	Yes

**Discussion** – Mr. Thomas noted they were assured by The Lash Paving Company, as soon as the contract is signed and the money is in place, they will proceed with getting the roads paved. He said this will end a banner year of paving in Belmont County. Many people have worked together to insure a lot of the roads will be in much better and safer condition, including private entities who have stepped up through RUMA's and our work with them to get some roads paved. Mr. Thomas said Mr. Coffland has taken the lead with the Engineer's office in working with the gas and oil companies.

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING APPLICATION FOR USE OF MUNICIPAL STREET FUNDS/VILLAGE OF POWHATAN POINT**

Motion made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Coffland to approve the Village of Powhatan Point's application in accordance with O.R.C. Section 4504.04 for the use of Municipal Street Fund/Vehicle License Tax in the amount of \$46,242.99, based upon the recommendation of Belmont County Engineer, Fred Bennett, for proposed improvements to the following:

- Brown Road (SR 7 to Mellott St)
- Wheeling Ave. (SR 7 to Cove Dr.)
- East Cove Dr. (SR 7 to Intersection of Cove Dr. & S. Cove Dr.)
- Cove Dr. (Wheeling Ave. to Intersection of S. Cove & E. Cove Dr.)
- Cove Road (SR 7 to Intersection of Twp. Cove Rd. & Village Cove Road)
- York Street (Wheeling Ave. to E. Cove Dr.)

*Note: The estimated cost is \$231,681.20 of which \$46,242.99 is from this source.*

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Thomas	Yes
Mr. Coffland	Yes
Mrs. Favede	Yes

**IN THE MATTER OF ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL FROM ARCHAEOLOGICAL CONSULTANTS OF THE MIDWEST, INC./PHASE I OHIO HISTORIC REVIEW FOR COURTHOUSE ANNEX II (FORMER CHILDREN'S HOME DEMOLITION PROJECT**

Motion made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Coffland to accept the proposal from Archaeological Consultants of the Midwest, Inc. in the amount of \$4,000.15 for the Phase I Ohio Historic review for the Courthouse Annex II (former Children's Home) demolition project, based upon the recommendation of A.C. Wiethe, Belomar Regional Council

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Thomas	Yes
Mr. Coffland	Yes
Mrs. Favede	Abstain

**Discussion** – Mr. Thomas noted it's the Commissioners' intent to tear down the Annex II. He said work has been done with Belmont College to see if the property could be rehabbed. There is a potential to get \$200,000 plus to tear it down but the (historic) review needs to be done first.

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE REQUEST FROM THE TOURISM COUNCIL FOR ADDITIONAL MONIES FROM THE LODGING TAX RECEIPTS**

Motion made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Coffland to approve the request from the Belmont County Tourism Council to forward an additional \$10,000.00 from the lodging tax receipts for the month of September. This additional grant money is to be awarded to two museums for upgrades to their facilities.

*Note: This is in addition to their monthly allotment for operating expenses for September*

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Thomas	Yes
Mr. Coffland	Yes
Mrs. Favede	Yes

**IN THE MATTER OF REAPPOINTING GINNY FAVEDE, BELMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONER, TO THE EASTERN OHIO DEVELOPMENT ALLIANCE (EODA) BOARD**

Motion made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Coffland to reappoint Ginny Favede, Belmont County Commissioner, to the Eastern Ohio Development Alliance (EODA) board for a two (2) year term effective January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2017.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Thomas	Yes
Mr. Coffland	Yes
Mrs. Favede	Yes

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING WAIVING THE POST AUDIT CONFERENCE WITH THE AUDITOR OF STATE**

Motion made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Coffland to approve waiving the post-audit conference with the Auditor of State for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Thomas	Yes
Mr. Coffland	Yes
Mrs. Favede	Yes

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING COMMISSION PRESIDENT TO SIGN ADMENDMENT TO THE OHIO DEPT. OF YOUTH SERVICES GRANT FOR FY2016/JUVENILE COURT**

Motion made by Mrs. Favede, seconded by Mr. Coffland to approve and authorize Commission President Mark A. Thomas to sign the amendment to the Ohio Department of Youth Services Grant for FY2016 to include training money that was given to the court in addition to supplemental funds; Total revised budget is \$194, 997. 70.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mrs. Favede	Yes
Mr. Coffland	Yes
Mr. Thomas	Yes

**IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF LISA VANNOY AS AN ASSISTANT CLERK FOR THE BELMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Motion made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Coffland to approve the hiring of Ms. Lisa A.Vannoy as an Assistant Clerk for the Belmont County Commissioners at the rate of \$9.75/hr beginning Sept 14, 2015, subject to a 120-day probation period and based upon a satisfactory background check.

Note: This is a replacement, not a new hire.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Thomas	Yes
Mr. Coffland	Yes
Mrs. Favede	Yes

**9:15 Kathie Brown, Executive Director, Wheeling Health Right and Leslie Vassilaros, Executive Director, Harmony House  
Re: Annual Allocations**

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE FORWARDING OF MONIES FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE BCDJFS TO BE USED AS LOCAL FUNDS IN THEIR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FUND**

Motion made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Coffland to approve the forwarding of twenty-thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) from the Belmont County General Fund to the Belmont County Department of Job & Family Services to be used as local funds in their Public Assistance Fund. These funds can be used as local funds for Federal Food Stamp and Medicaid match, thereby netting an additional twenty-thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) from the Federal programs.

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Thomas	Yes
Mr. Coffland	Yes
Mrs. Favede	Yes

**Discussion** – Leslie Vassilaros, Harmony House Executive Director, thanked the Board of Commissioners for their strong support of Harmony House. Harmony House benefits children and works to strengthen response to child abuse. They get referrals from police departments, Prosecutors’ offices, sheriffs’ departments, Job and Family Services, Mental Health and Tri-County Help Services. Five hundred children and family members were served in Belmont County for the year of 2014. Three thousand people in Belmont County were educated on child abuse. Mrs. Favede noted in 2001 the Junior League of Wheeling established Harmony House. OVMC provides space at no cost.

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE ALLOCATION TO WHEELING HEALTH RIGHT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015**

Motion made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Coffland to approve the allocation of \$25,000 to Wheeling Health Right for Fiscal Year 2015 for the provision of health care services and medication for low-income, uninsured residents.

Note: *Wheeling Health Right provides services to over 3,500 Belmont County residents.*

Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Thomas	Yes
Mr. Coffland	Yes
Mrs. Favede	Yes

**Discussion** – Kathy Brown, Wheeling Health Right Executive Director, thanked the Board of Commissioners for recognizing the need of the people in the community. Free clinics are needed just as much or more even with the Affordable Care Act. People cannot afford the deductibles. A new dental clinic is being added along with an eye glass clinic. Also a Diabetes Prevention program is being done. Mr. Coffland noted the people that use this service are people that work every day and just need a little extra help. Mrs. Favede and Mr. Thomas thanked Ms. Brown for the organization’s help with Belmont County residents.

**Open Public Forum** – Richard Hord inquired if the new Cracker Plant is a virtual lock. Mr. Thomas replied it was a very positive experience at the state house last Thursday in many ways, from the Governor’s statement and PTT Global’s statement. The company is very grateful to be in Ohio. He said nothing is a lock to date but we are very optimistic. Mr. Coffland said he has been involved since February 2015. An option agreement to purchase has been signed on 300 acres. An option agreement is not in place yet for 160 acres. He said the project is moving forward and it’s all positive. Mrs. Favede stated Belmont County has a work ethic like no other. Congressman Johnson is running interference in Washington D.C. with permits passing through. All are working together to make sure this project happens in Belmont County.

**Break till noon at Fair Ribbon Cutting.**

**Reconvened Friday, September 11, 2015 at 9:20 a.m. Commissioners Coffland and Thomas present. Commissioner Favede absent. No further business.**

September 9, 2015

**IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNING  
COMMISSIONERS MEETING AT 9:20 A.M.**

Motion made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Coffland to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 a.m.  
Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Mr. Thomas	Yes
Mr. Coffland	Yes
Mrs. Favede	Absent

Read, approved and signed this 15th day of September, 2015.

Mark A. Thomas /s/\_\_\_\_\_

Ginny Favede /s/\_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Matt Coffland /s/\_\_\_\_\_

We, Mark Thomas and Jayne Long, 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.

Mark A. Thomas /s/\_\_\_\_\_ PRESIDENT

Jayne Long /s/\_\_\_\_\_ CLERK