

## Minutes for Tuesday August 8, 2017

Mr. Love moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

that to provide for the unanticipated expenditures of said County during fiscal year ending December 31, 2017, the following sums be and the same are hereby transferred, set aside and appropriated for the purpose for which expenditures are to be made during the fiscal year as follows:

From.....Fund 001, County

C6, Relief Allowance.....to.....9D8e, Veteran's Hospital Transportation.....\$10,000.00

and also

that to provide for the unanticipated expenditures of said County during fiscal year ending December 31, 2017, the following sums be and the same are hereby transferred, set aside and appropriated for the purpose for which expenditures are to be made during the fiscal year as follows:

From.....Fund 001, County

9D8b, Medicare/Life Ins./Health Ins.....to.....9D8a, PERS.....\$5,000.00

and also

that to provide for the unanticipated expenditures of said County during fiscal year ending December 31, 2017, the following sums be and the same are hereby transferred, set aside and appropriated for the purpose for which expenditures are to be made during the fiscal year as follows:

From.....Fund 001, County

9C1, Salary of Officials.....to.....9D2, Salary - VSO.....\$3,000.00

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes      Mr. Lammers yes      Mr. Love    yes

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Mr. Lammers moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

**WHEREAS**, The Putnam County Commissioners have solicited bids for the communication tower and lease of property at the corner of Hickory and Third Streets in Ottawa, as well as ½ acre on the Brookhill grounds near Road 13-G, and

**WHEREAS**, two bids were received, one from Bright Net and the other from Link Investments, LTD, Bright Net only bid for the Communication tower and Link Investments bid both properties.

Now therefore be it,

**RESOLVED**, after review of the bids, the Commissioners have selected Link Investments, LTD as the successful bidder for a ten-year renewable lease for both properties.

The terms are: \$28,800.00 purchase for the tower and \$500.00 per month lease, The ½ acre on the Brookhill grounds near Road 13-G will be leased for \$400.00 per month.

This agreement is contingent upon a completed foundational and structural analysis of the tower conducted by Link Investments. Also a signed contract between the Putnam County Commissioners and Link Investments, LTD. detailing mutual understanding and responsibilities regarding tower operation, maintenance and obligations.

Mr. Schroeder                      seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Schroeder    yes      Mr. Lammers      yes      Mr. Love    yes  
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**Now and Then Purchase Orders.....**

**Sheriff.....**purchase orders 34701, 34702

Mr. Love      moved to approve the now and then purchase orders

Mr. Lammers                      seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Schroeder    yes      Mr. Lammers    yes      Mr. Love    yes  
Exceptions: Mr. Lammers    none      Mr. Schroeder    none      Mr. Love    none  
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**Purchase orders and Travel Requests.....**

**Dog & Kennel.....**PO 34824 to the Ag Society for Electric Reimb (Jan-Jun 2017)

**JFS.....**Travel request for Carie Dotson at \$668.93 and David Baldauf at \$846.98 to attend 2017 PCSAO Conference September 27-29, 2017.

**Sheriff.....**Travel request and Blanket PO 34700 to allow Brent Meyer and Randy Weller to attend Pepper Ball System Certification course in West Chester OH for a total cost of \$673.72. Travel request for Adam Meyer and Grant Bradford to attend the Wood County Basic Corrections Academy in Bowling Green from 9-18-17 to 10-11-17 for a total of \$790.00.

**Engineer.....**Travel request for Derek Haitzman to attend the 2017 Ohio Bridge Conference from 8-23-17 to 8-24-17 in Columbus for a total cost of \$349.00

**Commissioners.....**Travel request for Jack Betscher to attend Small Counties Issues in Columbus on September 6<sup>th</sup> at no cost.

Mr. Schroeder                      moved to approve the purchase orders and travels requests.

Mr. Love                              seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Schroeder    yes      Mr. Lammers    yes      Mr. Love    yes

Exceptions: Mr. Lammers    none      Mr. Love    none      Mr. Schroeder    none

Mr. Lammers called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Mr. Love and Schroeder by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Tim Schnipke met with Commissioners Schroeder, Love and Lammers at 8:30 a.m. to discuss some maintenance issues and Technicon Design Group and their collecting of information regarding the Courthouse. Ohio & Indiana Roofing has already put together the numbers that Technicon is looking for and they want to know who to charge for the service of putting together the information. The project will need a manager. We do not need to hire someone to talk to the people we have already talked to. The only thing not included in the project would be the handicap ramp. The roof is a higher priority. If the ramp is moved to the east side then the sun would help melt the ice and snow in the winter. Tim said there is also a water heater in the basement that can be used to heat the sidewalks. The roofing materials to be used was discussed again whether it is tile or metal. The different estimates from all vendors were compared. The artificial lighting of the skylights in the courtrooms was discussed again. The installation of switches for the lights in the courtrooms and halls, instead of using the breakers to turn them on and off. Mr. Lammers asked about the repairs of the outside façade if that would be included also. Do the quotes include pinning the façade and power washing, and the metal roof, new gutter system for roof? Tim will ask and get for sure numbers.

Phil Martin, Tim Macke, Don Croy and Bud Haselman met with Commissioners Schroeder, Love and Lammers at 9:00 a.m. to discuss the Blanchard River Watershed Partnership funding. Tim presented the grant funding opportunities that have been applied for and awarded to Putnam County. Riley Creek will now be a focus area. The Partnership has been working with Soil & Water on many projects. There is a testing station at County Road 6 for Heidelberg to test phosphorus run off. The percentages have dropped. The farmers will be paid for planting wheat as cover crop, due to the gluten free issues the price of wheat has gone down. Phil has written many grants for Putnam County and is working with Curt Tobe to continue writing grants. Phil explained the different grants and the match funds needed. The funding has dropped and Phil's hours have been cut. Phil manages the WPCLF for Hancock County, Putnam County has applied for WPCLF funds for the past few years and the Health Dept manages the grant. A tree grant has been applied for and awarded, to plant trees in the flood plain. The Partnership would like the support of the Commissioners to continue for the next three years and would like them to consider giving \$2000. per year. Phil helped Ottawa Township in getting assistance to stabilize the banks for Pomeroy Cemetary. Phil is also on the drinking water committee. Vince asked about other grants that are in process, Phil explained the watershed grants that he is working on. Mr. Lammers asked about data coming in on the two stage ditches. Phil explained that the two stage ditches do not help with flooding but it does help with drainage and filtering out the nutrients. Mr. Lammers brought up the Ag Tour Day which is August 19 starts at Sycamore Lake Winery. The largest potential for disaster is abandoned wells to deteriorating and creating an opening for the herbicides and pesticides to enter the aquifer and contaminate it. If it is an old home site the well and septic should both be properly capped or filled in.

Mr. Croy stayed and talked to Commissioners Schroeder, Love and Lammers about Ottawa Township and the selling of medical marijuana. Townships, Villages and Cities will have the option to vote, the Commissioners will not. Mr. Love brought up the speed limit on Road I-7 approaching the railroad. Can the township set a limit? Don will check into it.

The business agenda was held at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners Schroeder, Love and Lammers; Jack Betscher, administrator; Cindy Landwehr, Clerk.

Jack Betscher discussed upcoming meetings with the Commissioners and the registrations that are needed. Jack also brought up a request received from Beth Scheckelhoff for a setting up an

Agricultural Hall of Fame in the Courthouse. It was undecided where to locate. Beth will also be treating a pin oak tree on the north side of the courthouse. Jack will also be writing up the contract for the Communication Tower on Third & Hickory Streets and the Brookhill parcel.

The minutes from Thursday August 3, 2017 were read and approved at 11:30 a.m.

Mr. Lammers moved to adjourn for lunch at 12:00 p.m.

Mr. Love seconded the motion.

Vote: Schroeder yes Lammers yes Love yes

Commissioners Schroeder, Love and Lammers returned from lunch, and viewing a ditch complaint on Rd J near Kalida received from Ron Miehl, at 1:30 p.m.

The pre-construction meeting for Continental's Sixth Street project was held at 1:30 p.m. Ashley Siefker, Grant Coordinator; Lee Rausch, Poggemeyer Design Group; Matt Miller, Mayor of Continental and Barry Rosebrock, Ward Construction met with Commissioners Schroeder, Love and Lammers.

Country Acres Golf Course and the operations of the sewer permit was discussed among Commissioners Schroeder, Love and Lammers and Jack Betscher, Gary Lammers observed. The golf course has not sold yet, and the County holds the operating permit for the sewer system.

Mr. Schroeder left for the day at 4:10 p.m.

Mr. Love moved to adjourn for the day at 4:20 p.m.

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion.

Vote: Schroeder absent Lammers yes Love yes

Mr. Schroeder moved to approve the minutes as read from Tuesday, August 8, 2017.  
Mr. Lammers seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Lammers yes Mr. Love yes