

January 10, 2019

MINUTES OF JANUARY 10<sup>th</sup> MEETING

All Commissioners were present. Staff recited the pledge at 9:00. Purchase orders and bills were reviewed and signed. Pending issues were discussed with the following resolutions approved and signed:

V102-31 Minutes of January 08, 2019:

1<sup>st</sup>-Striker 2<sup>nd</sup>-Rogers Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rogers-yes

V102-32 Bills

1<sup>st</sup>-Rogers 2<sup>nd</sup>-Striker Roll call: Striker-yes, Rogers-yes, Crowe-yes

V102-33 Release of Funds: Public Assistance to Children's Services

1<sup>st</sup>-Striker 2<sup>nd</sup>-Rogers Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rogers-yes

Richard Lawson submitted a Scope of Work for the Board of Elections kitchen area. Richard will contact contractors to submit bids for the job.

Commissioner Crowe discussed his NCOSWD meeting on Tuesday regarding the new building plans for the transfer station/recycling center for Madison, Union and Hardin Counties.

**John Folk**, Job & Family Services Director, reviewed a draft of the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter report 2018. The parking lot video equipment has a disparity in cost. Nate Rodenberger. (IT) reviewed the equipment. The lowest ranked had good reviews. John will also review. Public Assistance: Medicaid averages of \$417.24 per person, 6915 recipients are enrolled in Hardin County. Food Assistance at 1403 families, most cash assistance is for children (197), Transportation for the quarter cost \$110,147 (Kenton Taxi and Council on Aging), Child care total was \$68,014. Prevention, Retention and Contingency was \$36,259-most is Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Allocation. Fraud report was 18 claims established with \$11,599. With the new Medicaid Ohio Benefits the match went from 50% to 75 % match. It was just announced that 25% is going away in April. It covered training and expenses to learn the new system. If the state goes back to recoup, it could cost the county over \$120,000. December quarter was just closed with no overruns in any of the grants. Due to the Federal shutdown, it was announced this morning that the USDA will provide benefits for SNAP for February. March is in question. Everything else is a go at this point. Ohio Means Jobs: unemployment for Hardin County is at 3.8% for November. Unemployment training was provided by the state on-line. JFS can now receive unemployment information and invite them into the Job Center for assessment on job skills to find jobs. 125 jobs were posted last year. 593 visitors with 113 new clients. Annual training went well with a motivational talk on life changes. Family & Children First Council: he is reviewing a need for a full time position for Program Coordinator. This would help families address some issues that might avoid involvement with Children's Services. This position could be a dual role. Children's Services: working with 52 children with 21 in custody at a cost of \$593.31 per diem. Four days of CAPMIS training and coaching on Keeping Kids Safe, thru the state, is being provided to his employees. Training should finish by the end of March. All employees are requested to attend. His staff are skilled employees who do a good job but a refresher course is a good approach. John is also participating. Commissioners are glad to hear as they have heard there are issues. Monitoring/oversight Oct 1, 2017-March 31, 2018 is on-going and could be overlapping. The results in the monitoring will be emphasized during the training. At 10:12 John requested Executive Session to discuss personnel issues/union negotiations. Commissioner Rogers moved to enter Executive Session with John to discuss personnel issues and labor negotiations. Commissioner Striker second. Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rogers-yes, Striker-yes. Commissioner Crowe announced the end of Executive Session at 10:35. Commissioner Striker moved to authorized John Folk to enter into an **agreement with Clemons Nelson and Associates** to negotiate the labor agreement and new position classifications. Commissioner Rogers second. Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rogers-yes. John noted he submitted the correct payments, to the Auditor, for payout of the grievance regarding the health insurance to his employees. In reference to the January 3, 2019 minutes regarding budget, he was troubled by statements made by the Prosecuting Attorney. He (John) came to the job without Children's Services experience and is continuing to learn as much as he can. He is working with Western Ohio Regional Training Center and learning from them, he is attending all the PCSAO Director meetings, listening, and talking to contacts to learn how the system works.

He lost an administrator with many years seniority that was very good at what she did. He hired a competent case worker as Supervisor who can do the job with a good understanding of the rules. She can build from there, she has experience. Others may have different opinions. She is willing to learn and go over and above to learn more and lead the on-going staff she supervises. As far as the agency, he has brought in the Regional training center state technical person to sit in to evaluate what training to put forth to make the agency better, continuous improvement. Four full days of training classes: CAPMIS. Commissioner Crowe-by the minutes it is apparent what is done in your office is not what is wanted in court. You are doing training what is to be expected in court. Could you offer those to come to that training? John-yes, was discussed yesterday with the state technical person-our conclusion. Suggested they come in as well. Great opportunity with Prosecuting Attorneys and Juvenile Court offices to offer training. John-we are a team, we need to work together. Child's safety is priority. Can be subjective by the information we are told. Commissioner Crowe-obvious you are working on the situation. Opinions are not all fact, different versions to the story. You are concerned with the child and working on communication. Good to go back and review the basics.

The **quarterly IT Committee** met with Commissioner Rogers, Larry Gossard, Nathan Rodenberger and Emily Roy. Board of Elections is at a conference, Engineer is in a meeting elsewhere. 11:21 Larry called the meeting to order. A chairman is needed for 2019. Luke was nominated by Larry, seconded by Commissioner Rogers. All ayes. No old business. New business: Prosecutors installed a new NAS system/server. 911-Nate is working on the VPN. Nate asked about the ESET anti-virus: 1 year \$8.99 per license, 2 year is \$12.99, 3 year is \$16.99. Nate recommends going with the three year. Commissioner Rogers moved to go with the three year license. Larry second. All ayes. Rated one of the best. Windstream has had issues for about 6 weeks. PUCO has been notified. Lack of service for incoming calls. Spectrum submitted quotes to run fiber to all county buildings for total monthly cost around \$4900 per month for all buildings. We are still under contract with Windstream. Is this something to move forward with? Paying around the same but will get double the speed. Emily-Sheriff is less than happy with Windstream service and has contacted Spectrum. Larry-the contract needs broken due to active complaints and no service. Larry and Commissioner Rogers-pursue. They have a bad track record. 911 have open tickets since Thanksgiving. Nate will check routes, contracts and costs with Spectrum. Phones are okay. There will be networking changes and will need network support. The Auditor will have some IP changes and firewall changes in the courts. Windstream service will only deteriorate. Nate met with Hardin Hills IT vendor. Nate will be their back up at this point. OSU is talking about changing. Simon Kenton School-provide phone service or should they provide their own? They use Spectrum for data and could use for phones. On with us and the contract or? Commissioner Rogers will speak with the Superintendent. People need to back up their computers. The Auditor purchased six new computers. End of life for Windows 2007 is January 2020. Follow up reminders will be sent to all departments. Emily moved to adjourn. Larry second. Roll call: all ayes.

Roll call resulted as follows:

\_\_\_\_\_, YES/NO  
President of the Board-Roger E. Crowe

\_\_\_\_\_, YES/NO  
Randall S. Rogers

\_\_\_\_\_, YES/NO  
Timothy L. Striker

Attest \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Board

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