

May 21, 2019

MINUTES OF MAY 21st 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:

V102-285 Minutes of May 16, 2019:
1st-Rogers 2nd-Striker Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rogers-yes
V102-286 Out of County Travel
1st-Striker 2nd-Rogers Roll call: Rogers-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
V102-287 Reallocation: Sheriff, Common Pleas
1st-Rogers 2nd-Striker Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rogers-yes
V6-304 Nursing Staff Rate Increase Effective May 26, 2019
1st-Striker 2nd-Rogers Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rogers-yes, Striker-yes
Signed: WIOA Ohio Area 8 Local Governance Agreement, Commissioner Crowe to sign
1st-Striker 2nd-Rogers Roll call: Rogers-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
Shred-It & JFS Agreement \$1936
1st-Striker 2nd-Rogers Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rogers-yes
GIS Data with Corelogic Solutions
1st-Rogers 2nd-Striker Roll call: Rogers-yes, Crowe-yes, Striker-yes
National Youth Advocate Program & JFS/Transitions for Youth
1st-Rogers 2nd-Stiker Roll call: Striker-yes, Rogers-yes, Crowe-yes
Number Reassignment Agreement for OSU to take 419-674-2297 (to OSU phone system)
1st-Rogers 2nd-Striker Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rogers-yes
Nathan Rodenberger, IT, will do a **Cyber Security Vulnerability** Study with CORSA. Cost is \$2500 with CORSA paying. If over \$2500, the county will pay the difference.

Kara Brown and Amy Newland, Simon Kenton School, Dave Schaub and Jennifer Trent, HARCO, discussed the **Harco rental agreement** with the Commissioners. The Agreement expires July 1, 2019. Jennifer stated they did not want to discuss the agreement with Simon Kenton present, that was between the commissioners and Harco. Commissioner Crowe-The lease says the sq ft as used is what you pay for, but with the rest being used as storage. We need to square up that area too as to what you are going to use. Based on what you intend to use then, we need to look at what best use we can make that you are not using so SKS can use or put in temp walls or panels to separate out areas to make a better use for both agencies. Also phone issues. You are still on with SKS. JTrent-I don't know what the issue is, we can't make long distance calls, (all of Kenton) we are using cell phones, is being discussed to have our own phone system with Time Warner. Commissioner Crowe-needs to happen. JTrent-need to talk to the board to use the same number or new? Commissioner Rogers-should go with you. JTrent-we get calls for them and we forward. Windstream issues. On the agenda with the board for tonight-they will decide. Commissioners noted they have no issue and Harco can take the number. JTrent-you need some information that may not have been given to you. The conference room is an issue. The county board has always made a contractual agreement for that space for \$1 a year they had their office space and that SSA would use that space only, and share rest rooms. According to the agreement, the room was never separate, this was Sept. 2015-July 2018-prior to Kara. Commissioner Crowe-the board did not have the authority to contract as they don't own. JTrent-we have always used and done the calendar, never any discussion prior to being told not ours to maintain. Now we have other providers in our area. We should all be treated fairly. We are to be treated as an independent provider. We don't care who uses. All are okay with as far as I know. Commissioner Crowe-we've looked at the building and space available, potential for a compromise/adjusting of where everyone is physically located to give you your space and what SKS is using. Will share the rest rooms. We can work out. Your office may need to move to a different location. They would come in the front door, common hallway, then go to your door: left or right. JTrent-she will need to talk with legal at the state-a very slippery slope. They will cite us due to no separate restrooms

and entrance. They don't like now. KBrown-I offer a separate entrance while a common hallway you gain a separate entrance provided. JTrent-not a locked area that prevents other staff from coming in, no inter-mingling. We've had issue. KBrown-their intent is we are not in the same building. Commissioner Rogers-they want you downtown? JTrent-they want in the community, we have to be totally separate from. Not good business. Commissioner Rogers-if you don't change to what the competition is doing you are not going to be there. JTrent-individuals choice-we can have that conversation privately, reasons why. DSchaub-22 to 28 daily. Commissioner Crowe-two sets of restrooms in the building? Workshop and offices? JTrent-staff in south and clients in center area. Commissioner Crowe-does state require all employees be separate? JTrent-we have to be two separate entities. KBrown-reason for in rule is when privatized, county boards cannot have the opportunity to influence where clients go for service. All providers have fair opportunities. Commissioner Crowe-based on building layout-I don't see anyway Harco can use and we can use for any other purpose. We can't segregate. JTrent-whose footing the bill to move the office? Commissioner Crowe-based on what you two are telling me, making that move will not solve the issue. We are now down to Harco renting the entire building or the county not able to rent to you. JTrent-SSA can stay but they need own entrance and bathroom. No access to Harco side. Commissioner Crowe-the way the building is constructed we can't do. No county expense to modify without a considerable increase in rent. JTrent-we aren't paying that bill, I'll tell you that now. Commissioner Crowe-falls on the landowner but in the real world then passes that on to renter. JTrent-do you want us gone from the building just say. Affects families and conversation on the street. Commissioner Crowe-we aren't saying to get out of the building but our requirements are to have that building on your own. JTrent-we did finally get the occupancy permit for the Studio and some clients will be out of the building. More will be going there. We are creating that community inclusion and will take away from the building space. Commissioner Crowe-if you are in there you have to have the entire building to meet your requirements. For our purposes we can't let SKS come use the building. JTrent-one option yes. Option to add another doorway. Cheaper options, a wall and bathroom. KBrown-that would require people with disabilities to walk down and back. JTrent-there is parking back there. Commissioner Crowe-where the tow motor is stored? JTrent-yes. DSchaub-we have cut back since IP went south on us. Trash bags and shredding does not take that much space. JTrent-trash bags are probably going away in the near future. DSchaub-we can do in a limited space. Commissioner Crowe-we need to look at the building to see if cost effective ways to modify that would provide complete separation. Need to walk again. As it sits now we need to discuss among ourselves how to proceed to get you in compliance. JTrent-option A & B. Commissioner Crowe-could be Option C. KBrown-can do without modifications. Move behind double doors. I understand our staff sees we can reduce. Harco to the back with divider. We can't see things. They would have own difference maybe 20' back from the door. The state may be more patient. JTrent-we will have the same issue they have with more walking distance. KBrown-no same distance. We should not be making inconvenient or harder to get in the building, not additional distance. We can create a separate, is it ideal? One is Suite A and one is Suite B, a different address. Commissioner Crowe-I agree with front hallway; foyer with choice which way to go. JTrent-shoving Harco to the back is not the answer and our board may not be okay with us not having our own office space. That building was built for disabilities. State will not be okay with that. KBrown-it is 20' already there. ANewland-still in same spot. DSchaub-entrance from their building to ours by my office. JTrent-Two other doors to get into the workshop. There are options. Commissioner Crowe-If you and SSA would swap office that would put SSA all on one end you would have restrooms in your part they would have in their part. JTrent-we did mention that before. Walkway to bathrooms. Admin/Kara cannot be that building with us per the state. KBrown-not person but position per the law. About the space. I'm not planning on moving there anyhow. SSA and providers are biggest issues. Separate address: Suite A and Suite B. can argue separate address. Commissioner Striker-similar to law offices. Who separated? JTrent-federally mandated. Commissioner Striker -Not the fault of your board, SKS Board or us. None of our faults here. JTrent-perception in community is, I have gotten so many phone calls, I hear HARCO is closing. Misconceived. We only benefit if a person choses us. Not positive we

have to make an announcement that we have to look for a different place. In 1983 this building was built for us. Now we are expected to come up with income we don't have. Commissioner Crowe-fault of State of Ohio not Hardin Co., they said. Commissioner Rogers-history. We move on. Commissioner Crowe-your side is you are to be the only occupants. I don't care but we have options. KBrown-you said you had a space you don't pay for for two years. Federal government said not me. JTrent-Hardin County Commissioners owns the building-why aren't all occupants free rent, why are you housing a separate entity? Commissioner Rogers-you are now private. Commissioner Crowe-you are private corp. they are a public entity. KBrown-Board of DD don't own property, Commissioners approve the tax levy. Purchased and paid for by DD levy dollars. Commissioner Crowe-you have a Board meeting this evening three options: 1. move offices to separate two facilities, no outside entrances, a hallway within regulations. Then we look at sq ft and determine real value 2. you occupy entire building at \$2000 month in rent 3. you find another facility to meet state requirements. That's the only reason you can't stay there if the building doesn't meet state requirements. Your board may determine a different option and we would listen to. JTrent-it's about the budget. We are not going to – we will be open and honest with our families on what we sign. The facts, not negative. Commissioner Crowe-if the building can't be made to suit your needs that is the state. JTrent-it meets our needs. Commissioner Rogers-2016 things changed. World of business and competition. JTrent-I will not discuss space, rent with SKS here. Commissioner Rogers-these are public meetings. JTrent-we had a concern we had agreement for \$1 a month, then we had another agreement that got changed in Executive Session. We don't trust. Commissioner Rogers-in 2016 all changed, you are one of them. Prosecutor was here you guys agreed to \$1 a month, transition, in a 2 week period you called us back and changed the agreement after a conversation with Kara. Commissioner Crowe-commissioners all agreed we could not provide rent free for a non-profit corp. providing same services, we had to charge you rent. \$400 month rent is cheap. KBrown-I want to clarify-first I heard was a 6 month agreement I had nothing to do with that agreement. JTrent-Randy (R) called Andy Tudor that our conversation was rescinded due to that conversation. Commissioner Rogers-we all agree that \$1 agreement is unethical. You are not public funded. Commissioner Crowe-we cannot treat you one way different from others. JTrent- I will ask Andrew to attend, he was not misquoted. Commissioner Crowe-end of discussion. JTrent-can we talk to you off the record. Commissioner Rogers-Executive Session only with stated reasons. JTrent-let's table.

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