

**THE BOARD OF ATHENS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**, met in regular session, February 16th, 2021, via Zoom video conferencing, due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, and following Governor Mike DeWine's social distancing orders; with Lenny Eliason presiding, Charlie Adkins and Chris Chmiel in attendance.

#### AGENDA

A motion was made by Mr. Chmiel and seconded by Mr. Adkins to approve the following agenda:

ATHENS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Agenda for February 16, 2021 - Convenes at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom

Approve Agenda

Approve Minutes from February 9, 2021

Approve Appropriations, Transfers, New Line Items Requests/Changes

Approve Bills

09:30 Jessie Schmitzer - Athens County Coordinated Transportation Plan  
09:45 DJFS Dir. Jean Demosky  
10:00 EMA Dir. Don Gossett  
10:15 Beaumont Latrine - ODNR Recreation Trails Program - Bob Eichenberg  
10:30 County Engineer Jeff Maiden  
10:45 HAPCAP Nathan Simons - Chauncey Restroom Change Order #2

#### ~ AGENDA ITEMS

Amended Certificate

Proclamation Request: March Senior Nutrition Month

Water and Sewer Department Roof Quote

Planner job description

Frost Law Enactment - Feb 1, 2021

Athens County Private Appointment to GPC

AEP Strouds Run Clark 69kV Transmission Line Project

N. Lancaster Street property

#### ~ADJOURNMENT

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea.

#### MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Chmiel and seconded by Mr. Adkins approving the minutes from February 9, 2021.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea.

#### APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS, NEW LINE ITEMS REQUESTS/CHANGES - None for Today's Meeting

#### BILLS

A motion was made by Mr. Chmiel and seconded by Mr. Adkins approving the payment of the required County Bills, which are included in the Auditor's Office INVOICE TRACKING REPORT - From: 02/01/2021 To: 02/16/2021 and the bills are hereby the same and authorize the County Auditor to issue warrants on the County Treasurer for payment in the same. Complete list of bills maintained in the Auditor's office.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea.

#### JESSIE SCHMITZER - ATHENS COUNTY COORDINATED TRANSPORTATION PLAN

A motion was made by Mr. Chmiel and seconded by Mr. Adkins for Athens County to continue to serve as the Lead Agency with the Athens County Coordinated Transportation Plan. Plan on file in Commissioner's Office.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea.

Commissioner Adkins asked about the future of the plan and the implementation of a possible tax levy. Ms. Schmitzer replied that for now it is on the back burner, especially through the current Covid-19 pandemic.

#### DJFS DIRECTOR JEAN DEMOSKY - Resignation Crystal Howard

A motion was made by Mr. Chmiel and seconded by Mr. Adkins to accept the resignation of Crystal Howard, Community Outreach, as recommended by Dir. Demosky.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea.

\* She will be on WATH on Friday discussing Kinship Care needs and Senior Emergency Assistance.

\* Back to School Bash - July 29<sup>th</sup> - Drive by at the Athens Mall - Looking for partners/donations, working with ACCS and HAPCAP.

Commissioner Adkins asked Dir. Demosky to discuss with WATH, all the services that DJFS offers to the Community.

#### PROCLAMATION REQUEST: MARCH SENIOR NUTRITION MONTH - Tabled

A motion was made by Mr. Chmiel and seconded by Mr. Adkins to Table this Proclamation request until next week.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea.

#### WATER & SEWER DEPT. ROOF QUOTE

A motion was made by Mr. Chmiel and seconded by Mr. Adkins approving and authorizing the expenditure for a new roof at the Water & Sewer office located at 36 North Plains Rd. The Plains, with additional insulation to be added to the quote. Carl T. Johnson, Inc. Logan, Ohio.

Roof Quote:

- \* Tear-off existing membrane to deck.
- \* Provide and install new ½" fiberboard insulation over existing insulation.
- \* Remove all membrane and flashings from curbs, pipes and walls.
- \* Provide and install new Carlisle .060 EPDM fully adhered roof system.
- \* Flash all penetrations to Carlisle specifications.
- \* Fabricate and install new fascia metal, gutter and downspouts.
- \* Provide Carlisle 15 year warranty.

Quote: \$ 15,533.00

Substitute 2 ½" insulation for ½" insulation.

Add: \$ 1,200.00

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea.

#### PLANNER JOB DESCRIPTION

Discussion of the Planner Job Description with some revisions to be made and discussed next week. If no applications are received by the deadline tomorrow, the job will be re-posted and sent to the Athens Messenger.

#### ATHENS COUNTY PRIVATE APPOINTMENT TO GENERAL POLICY COUNCIL - BUCKEYE HILLS

A motion was made by Mr. Chmiel and seconded by Mr. Adkins to re-appoint John Simpson and Chris Cooper to the Buckeye Hills Regional Council - Private Sector - Terms for both: 01/01/2020 to 12/31/2021. 2 Year Terms. The clerk will send them letters.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea.

~ Commissioner Chmiel will check with HAPCAP about being the third appointment. He will check with them and possibly discuss at next week's meeting.

#### AEP STROUDS RUN CLARK 69KV TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT

AEP Strouds Run- Clark 69kV Transmission Line Project

Parcel #(s): A02-80100016-00; A02-80100017-00; A02-80100018-00

Athens County

Owner: Athens County Commissioners

To Whom It May Concern:

Ohio Real Estate Consultants, Inc. has been hired by American Electric Power (AEP) to complete appraisal reports of properties involved in the proposed project. We plan to be in the area on February 8, 2021. If you would like to accompany us on the inspection of your property, please call Justin LeVois at 614-791-0038, Ext. 5 to schedule an appointment. We are also available by phone if you want to communicate with us directly. You can also email us at [justin@ohiorealestate.org](mailto:justin@ohiorealestate.org) or [tom@ohiorealestate.org](mailto:tom@ohiorealestate.org) with any questions or concerns.

Commissioner Chmiel agreed to be present during the inspection/ appraisal and will report back to the Commissioners, the form will be mailed to the Appraisers.

#### 184 N. LANCASTER STREET PROPERTY

The property is close to being vacated, hopefully within the next two weeks. Mr. Eliason will discuss with the Prosecutor to get the paperwork started to get it on the Market. It will be addressed further once he hears back from them.

#### EMA DIRECTOR DON GOSSEL - MONTHLY UPDATES

Mr. Gossel presented the following February Report:

February EMA Commissioner's Report

Functional (EOC) Exercise scheduled for April 8th

- \* Train wreckage off Armitage RD with HZD chemical spill.
- \* Primarily tasking Athens City Response & mutual aid agencies.
- o Possible deep water well contamination - invoke Water Dept. Contingency Plan
- \* Hybrid format with individuals working in the EOC and virtual.
- \* You do not have to be a player to observe virtually - there will be an open invitation to applicable agencies.
- \* \$5500 funded through HMEP Grant

Full-Scale Exercise scheduled for June 17th

- \* Same narrative as Functional Exercise but with full response equipment at incident site.
- \* Designed to test Athens City Infrastructure/Responders.
- \* Requested HAPCAP to play for mass transportation/evacuation needs.
- \* Food will be catered
- \* \$7500 funded through HMEP Grant

Baileys Trail Extraction Exercise (tentative May 15th)

- \* Will reach out to ORCA & Bike Club to place a 200lb Rescue Randy off a remote trail spot.
- \* Test 911 location system to provide recovery coordinates.
- \* Task Athens, Chauncey, York, Jacksonville, and Richland FD's (but all FD's would be invited to observe).
- \* Establish ACEMS trail support.
- \* Practice wheeled Stokes extraction with equipment funded by Athens County Foundation.
- \* EMA would cater food.

Hyper-Reach in place

- \* Phone App Allows 15-second rapid notification of messaging from anywhere.

- Everbridge Contacts migrated over but profile assignment to the contacts did not.
- All phone numbers automatically defaulted to voice calls.
- Through EMA & Individual Profile updates, redundancy calls have been fixed.

**Hyper-Reach EOC / Incident Call Lists**

- County Level (Commissioners, ACSO, ACEMS, Fire, 911, JFS, Engineer, HAPCAP)
- City Level (to include Mayors/trustees/fire & police)
- Village / Township Level (to include Mayors/trustees/fire & police)

**LEPC Funded Oil Spill Kits for Fire Departments**

- \$4000 agreed from LEPC board
- Net-30 Account with Menards (5gal buckets, gamma seal lids, & Oil Dry)
- Net-30 Account with Grainger (Absorbent pads, booms, & socks)

**COUNTY ENGINEER JEFF MAIDEN - Union Contract - Discussion Canaanville Christie property - Frost Law Enactment**

A motion was made by Mr. Chmiel and seconded by Mr. Adkins approving the COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT Between ATHENS COUNTY ENGINEER And LOCAL 103, OHIO COUNCIL 8, AFSCME, AFL-CIO - Effective January 1, 2021 until December 31, 2023, as recommended by County Engineer, Jeff Maiden. Copy on file in Commissioners Office.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea.

~ Discussion with Mr. Maiden regarding the Ron Christie R/W and easement issue in Canaanville. Engineer Maiden sent the Commissioners a plat and information to review. Mr. Eliason stated that there is no record of this parcel being formally abandoned or vacated.

**FROST LAW ENACTMENT - FEB. 1, 2021 - APRIL 30, 2021**

A motion was made by Mr. Chmiel and seconded by Mr. Adkins approving the following Frost Law Enactment as recommended by County Engineer, Jeff Maiden:

Re: 30% Load Reduction

I respectfully request that the legal load limit be reduced by 30% on ALL county roads, with the exceptions of (1) Athens CR 33A- Old State Route 33 (2) Athens CR 338- Diamond Brick Road (3) Athens CR 19- Radford Road (4)Athens CR 7- Johnson Road, in accordance with Section 5577 of the Ohio Revised Code. This load limit reduction will become effective on February 1, 2020, and end on April30, 2020.

This reduction is intended to reduce the amount of road damage which occurs annually during the freeze-thaw cycle. Special Hauling Permits may be obtained from my office for companies and individuals that wish to exceed the 30% load limit reduction provided that a "Road Repair Agreement" is filed with this office in which the hauler agrees to pay for any road damage caused by their operations. Companies that have signed a "Road User Maintenance Agreement" (RUMA) have already agreed to pay for road damages caused by their hauling operations, and therefore do not need to apply for a special haul permit.

I also respectfully request that you endorse this procedure and encourage enforcement of this load limit reduction by the Sheriffs Department.

Respectfully,

Jeff Maiden, PE, PS

Athens County Engineer

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea.

**BEAUMONT LATRINE - ODNR Recreation Trails Program - Bob Eichenberg - Apply for ORTP Grant**

Discussion with Bob Eichenberg regarding applying for ODNR Recreation Trails Grant Funding for a two seat Latrine facility at the Beaumont Bikepath location, to replace the current Porta John. The RTP program funding is an 80/20 match, with the State paying 80% of project costs with the county being responsible for 20% of the construction costs plus design fees. After speaking with RVC Architects for an estimate, it appears to be in the neighborhood of \$30,000.00. The County costs to be approximately \$6,000.00 to \$10,000.00.

A motion was made by Mr. Chmiel and seconded by Mr. Adkins authorizing Bob Eichenberg to move forward with the ODNR Recreation Trails Program Grant application, for the Beaumont Bikepath Latrine, as mentioned above. He will return with some final numbers in the near future. The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea.

Commissioner Adkins stated he would like to see it placed as close to or in the current location of the current porta john, without any additional property acquisition.

**HAPCAP NATHAN SIMONS - CHAUNCEY RESTROOM CHANGE ORDER #2 -B-F-18-1AE-1 / Project Updates**

Discussion with Nathan Simons regarding Change Order #2 for the Chauncey Restroom Facility. This change is regarding the relocation of the power supply from overhead to underground in order to improve the safety and aesthetics at the site and also some work in the restroom with exposed plumbing at the sink to cover with steel guard. Mr. Chmiel asked about the outdoor lights at the location and if it is part of the project. Mr. Simons stated that there was a lighting package included for the restroom as well as a few street lights in the parking area. He stated that they have all been installed.

A motion was made by Mr. Chmiel and seconded by Mr. Adkins approving the Chauncey Restroom Change Order #2 in the amount of \$7,000.00.

The following change is made to the contract price:

|            |                         |
|------------|-------------------------|
| \$ 118,000 | Original Contract Price |
| \$ 4,800   | Previous Change/Extras  |
| \$ 7,000   | This Change/Extras      |

\$ Subtotal

\$0 Deductions

\$ 129.800

Net Total

(Copied to page 92).

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea.

Mr. Simons also gave the following project updates:

Chauncey Critical Infrastructure Project: 60% complete - Hope to bid out this coming Spring.

Glenford Dugan - Moving forward - Expect completion by deadline

Program Year 2020: Wrapping up Environmental Review.

The State has decided to continue with the allocation program for years 2021 and 2022 and still considering 2023.

#### AMENDED CERTIFICATE

A motion was made by Mr. Chmiel and seconded by Mr. Adkins acknowledging receipt of the Amended Certificate, dated February 16, 2021, prepared by Jill Thompson, Athens County Auditor.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea.

#### ADJOURN

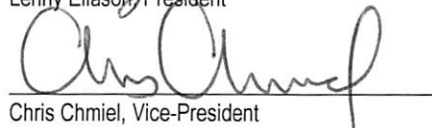
A motion was made by Mr. Chmiel and seconded by Mr. Adkins to adjourn the above meeting.

The roll being called upon for adoption, the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Eliason, yea; Mr. Adkins, yea; Mr. Chmiel, yea.

  
JoAnn Rockhold, Clerk

  
Julie Brooks, Assistant Clerk

  
Lenny Eliason, President

  
Chris Chmiel, Vice-President

  
Charlie Adkins

**CHANGE ORDER NO. 2**  
**Project: Village of Chauncey - Park Facility Improvements**

Date: 2.8.21 Contract No. B-F-18-1AE-1

I. The following changes are hereby made to the contract documents (attach documentation):

II. The following change is made to the contract price:

|            |                         |
|------------|-------------------------|
| \$ 118,000 | Original Contract Price |
| \$ 4,800   | Previous Change/Extras  |
| \$ 7,000   | This Change/Extras      |
| \$         | Subtotal                |
| \$ 0       | Deductions              |
| \$ 129,800 | Net Total               |

III. The following change is made to the contract time:

\_\_\_\_\_ Increased by 0 calendar days

\_\_\_\_\_ Decreased by 0 calendar days

making the date for completion of all work 2.28.21.

- IV.  There will be no claims for damages resulting from this change.  
 Claims for damages resulting from this change are anticipated for such categories as \_\_\_\_\_ and should not exceed \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

Change Request By: John Jackson Date: 1.29.21

Change Recommended By: Nathan Simons Date: 2.8.21

Change Accepted By: Trent DeBruin Date: 02-09-21

Change Accepted By: Lenny Eliason Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Change Accepted By: [Signature] Date: 2/16/21