

December 13, 2023

Agenda

*Lord's Prayer
Pledge of Allegiance*

9:15 a.m. Executive Session – Union Contract Negotiations for Water & Sewer – ORC 121.22 (G)(4) – Michael Jones, Sanitary Engineer

Suspend Minutes – 12-11-23

Approve Before/After Expenditures

Approve Supplemental Appropriation (1)

Approve Transfer of Funds (4)

Approve Inter-Fund Transfer/Advances

Approve Authorizing Sanitary Engineer & Superintendent to Execute Permit Applications

Approve Donation from Norma Johnson Conservation Center – 2023 Cub Cadet PRO Z Mower

Pay Bills

Other Business

Adjourn

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF TUSCARAWAS COUNTY MET IN REGULAR SESSION WEDNESDAY, THE 13th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2023 WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chris Abbuhl
Kristin Zemis
Greg Ress

Commissioner Chris Abbuhl presiding.

*The Lord's Prayer was said.
The Pledge of Allegiance was said.*

RESOLUTION (1068-2023) SUSPEND THE READING OF THE MINUTES

It was moved by Commissioner Ress, seconded by Commissioner Zemis, to suspend the reading of the minutes FOR the December 11, 2023 meeting.

VOTE: Chris Abbuhl, yes;
 Kristin Zemis, yes;
 Greg Ress, yes;

RESOLUTION (1069-2023) BEFORE/AFTER EXPENDITURES

It was moved by Commissioner Zemis, seconded by Commissioner Ress to approve the following before/after expenditures:

VENDOR	OFFICE	AMOUNT
Commissioners	JFS	\$8,479.88
Commissioners	JFS	\$3,074.99
Lighthouse Family Center	JFS	\$1,460.00
TIFF Health LLC	JFS	\$19,520.00
New Bedford Engine & Supply	Engineer	\$153.39

VOTE: Chris Abbuhl, yes;
 Kristin Zemis, yes;
 Greg Ress, yes;

RESOLUTION (1070-2023) SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

It was moved by Commissioner Ress, seconded by Commissioner Zemis, to approve the following supplemental appropriations:

DEPARTMENT	FROM	TO	AMOUNT	REASON
Prosecutor	E-1580-S075-S25	E-1580-S0075-S13	\$2,848.72	Needed to cover insurance costs for 2023

VOTE: Chris Abbuhl, yes;
 Kristin Zemis, yes;
 Greg Ress, yes;

RESOLUTION (1071-2023) TRANSFER OF FUNDS

It was moved by Commissioner Ress, seconded by Commissioner Zemis to approve the following transfer of funds:

DEPARTMENT	FROM	TO	AMOUNT	REASON
Motor Vehicle	E-1190-K000-K12	E-1190-K000-K13	\$20,000.00	Equipment purchase
Sheriff's Office	E-2050-X032-X16	E-2051-X432-X16	\$3,145.01	Needed to cover insurance costs for 2023
Common Pleas Court	E-0120-A002-B17	E-0120-A002-B14	\$113.03	Additional funds are needed to cover the PERS line
Common Pleas Court	E-0120-A002-B12	E-0120-A002-B14	\$25.00	Additional funds are needed to cover the PERS line
Common Pleas Court	E-0120-A002-B07	E-0120-A002-B14	\$1,000.00	Additional funds are needed to cover the PERS line
Common Pleas Court	E-0120-A002-B08	E-0120-A002-B14	\$18.97	Additional funds are needed to cover the PERS line
Common Pleas Court	E-0120-A002-B08	E-0120-A002-B02	\$481.03	Additional funds are needed to cover the Employee line
Common Pleas Court	E-0120-A002-B15	E-0120-A002-B02	\$718.00	Additional funds are needed to cover the Employee line
Common Pleas Court	E-0120-A002-B11	E-0120-A002-B02	\$1,000.00	Additional funds are needed to cover the Employee line
Common Pleas Court	E-0120-A002-B10	E-0120-A002-B02	\$1,000.00	Additional funds are needed to cover the Employee line

VOTE: Chris Abbuhl, yes;
 Kristin Zemis, yes;
 Greg Ress, yes;

RESOLUTION (1072-2023) INTER-FUND TRANSFER/ADVANCE

It was moved by Commissioner Zemis, seconded by Commissioner Ress to approve the following inter-fund transfer/advance as per State Auditor's recommendation:

From: County General to Children Services Fund \$83,784.21
 Co. General to Public Assistance (December Mandated Share) \$18,429.75

VOTE: Chris Abbuhl, yes;
 Kristin Zemis, yes;
 Greg Ress, yes;

RESOLUTION (1073-2023) - AUTHORIZING SANITARY ENGINEER AND THE SUPERINTENDENT TO EXECUTE PERMIT APPLICATIONS ON BEHALF OF THE TUSCARAWAS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

It was moved by Commissioner Ress, and seconded by Commissioner Zemis to approve the foregoing resolution.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners, Tuscarawas County, Ohio ("Board") owns various water and wastewater systems ("systems") throughout Tuscarawas County, Ohio and established the Tuscarawas County Metropolitan Sewer District to operate and maintain such systems; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Sections 6103 and 6117, the Board employs a registered professional engineer to be the County Sanitary Engineer to act as the Director of the Tuscarawas County Metropolitan Sewer District; and

WHEREAS, to improve the efficiency and economy of administration and operations of the County's systems, the Board recognizes the need for the Sanitary Engineer and the Superintendent to execute various permits, applications, and other documents associated with water and wastewater systems for the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency ("OEPA") on behalf of the Board; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The Sanitary Engineer and the Superintendent are hereby appointed as the duly authorized employees to execute permits, applications and other documents associated with water and wastewater systems to OEPA on behalf of the Board.
2. That, the foregoing Resolution was adopted and all actions and deliberations of the Board were properly conducted in meetings open to the public in compliance with all applicable legal requirements including Section 122.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

This Resolution and any referenced attachments have been reviewed and found in proper order by Steven A. Anderson, Special Counsel.

VOTE: Chris Abbuhl, yes;
Kristin Zemis, yes;
Greg Ress, yes;

DISCUSSION: *Mike Jones, Sanitary Engineer, stated in the early 2000's there was a similar resolution that authorized execution of certain Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) guidelines and in the recent permit application submitted to the EPA, we submitted that resolution as well, and the EPA did not feel it was broad enough to cover everything we needed to do, so I thought it would be easier just to have a new updated resolution.*

DISCUSSION: *Donation from Norma Johnson Conservation Center Foundation Board – Jesse Rothacher, Park Director, stated this is a non-profit Board and wish to support the Park Department's efforts at the Norma Johnson Center. The Board ask if there was any equipment or Capital needed. After talking with other Park Department employees, it was determined that a new zero turn mower was a necessity. This model is like the one that is already being used. The Board purchased the one at the Norma Johnson Center back in 2016. Having a second mower will be helpful if one mower breaks down. We will still be able to maintain the grounds. Also, with having the additional employee, we will be able to run two mowers concurrently. This will allow us to take advantage of good weather when available and free up time to do other projects during inclement weather.*

RESOLUTION (1074-2023) NORMA JOHNSON CONSERVATION CENTER FOUNDATION BOARD DONATION FOR PARK DEPARTMENT – PRO Z MOWER

It was moved by Commissioner Zemis, and seconded by Commissioner Ress to accept the donation of a 2023 Cub Cadet PRO Z 972SD mower from the Norma Johnson Conservation Center Foundation Board. The Foundation Board received a private foundation grant to purchase this mower. The Cub Cadet Pro Z 927SD is the same model as our existing mower, also donated to the County by the Foundation Board, and is perfectly suited to our needs at the Center. This mower would supplement our existing equipment.

VOTE: Chris Abbuhl, yes;
Kristin Zemis, yes;
Greg Ress, yes;

RESOLUTION (1075-2023) PAY BILLS

It was moved by Commissioner Ress, seconded by Commissioner Zemis, to approve payment for the following bills:

Meeting Date - December 13, 2023

911

APCO International Inc	Training - Recertifications	\$183.00	
NENA 9-1-1 Association	Dues	\$147.00	
			\$330.00

Auditor

ComDoc Inc	Printer Maintenance	\$211.51	
Staples Business Advantage	Supplies	\$339.83	
			\$551.34

Clerk of Courts

Covius Document Services	Supplies	\$507.90	
Covius Document Services	Supplies	\$1,000.00	
Covius Document Services	Supplies	\$448.28	
First Federal	Services	\$72.25	
Independence Business Supply	Supplies	\$78.36	
Jeanne Stephen	Travel Reimbursement	\$107.80	
Xerox	Service	\$59.28	
Xerox	Service	\$26.15	
			\$2,300.02

Commissioners

AEP	Electric Utility	\$307.51	
Beaver Creek Landscaping Inc	Services	\$120.00	
Chris Abbuhl	Travel Reimbursement	\$134.40	
ComDoc	Copier Contract	\$52.72	
Crystal Digenova	Travel Reimbursement	\$31.56	
Event Metal Detectors LLC	Annual Maintenance	\$1,050.00	
Frontier	Service	\$50.70	
G&L Supply	Supplies	\$946.55	
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Go Shred	Services	\$229.00	
Montrose Auto Group	2023 Ford Explorer	\$42,221.90	
Motorola Solutions	Body Worn Cameras	\$212,550.00	
Signs & Graphics by Coney LLC	Lettering Co Vehicle	\$46.63	
Stacey Spillman	Travel Reimbursement	\$258.15	
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Tuscarawas County Treasurer/Eng	Gas	\$104.05	
US Bank	Copier Contract	\$158.68	
			\$258,819.30

Common Pleas

	Annual Dues 1/2024-		
OH Judicial Conference	12/2024	\$250.00	
VEIT Inc	Copier Contract	\$200.76	
Verizon	Service	\$60.18	
			\$510.94

Community & Economic Development

Brooke Yates	Travel Reimbursement	\$15.60	
Tusc Co OCED	Supplies	\$124.39	
			\$139.99

Dog & Kennel

Kimble	Service	\$187.75	
Lowe's	Supplies	\$519.38	
NP Water Dept	Services	\$112.04	

Scott's Lawn Care	Services	\$60.00	
			\$879.17
Engineer			
Ace Truck Equipment	Parts	\$882.12	
Balco Machine Co	Part	\$11,991.50	
Company Wrench	Parts & Labor	\$141.20	
Diamond Mowers	Parts	\$25.13	
Hardy O King/King Kong Tools LLC	Parts	\$1,744.71	
Hill International Trucks LLC	Parts	\$138.34	
IFAB Services LLC	Repairs	\$2,210.00	
Ross Auto Repair	Parts & Labor	\$729.00	
Tatman's Excavating Inc	Supplies	\$3,056.85	
Twin City Automotive	Parts	\$537.78	
Ziegler Bolt & Nut House	Supplies	\$192.00	
			\$21,648.63
Human Resources			
Mike's Body Shop	Repair/TCSO Car	\$5,000.00	
			\$5,000.00
JFS			
Advantage Family Outreach-Et/Al	Nov 2023 Purchased Care	\$270,284.90	
Amazon Capital Services	Supplies	\$49.90	
Barbara Camp-Et/Al	Net Mileage	\$11,218.80	
Carrington Youth Academy LLC-Et/Al	Nov 2023 Purchased Care	\$101,683.80	
Monique Bailey-Et/Al	Nov 2023 Own Home	\$34,992.00	
Monique Bailey-Et/Al	Dec 2023 AA & SAM	\$18,905.16	
Propio Language Services LLC	Interpreter	\$783.51	
Robert Starkey	Private Grant-Rent/Utilities	\$3,792.00	
Treasurer State of Ohio	Fingerprints	\$97.75	
Treasurer State of Ohio	Fingerprints	\$141.75	
Tusc Co Commissioners	Dec 2023 Rent	\$886.49	
Verizon Wireless	Service	\$1,455.73	
Wex Bank	Nov 2023 Fuel	\$1,528.68	
			\$445,820.47
Juvenile/Probate			
Copley Ohio Newspapers Inc	Legal Ad	\$690.76	
Copley Ohio Newspapers Inc	Legal Ad	\$427.27	
Copley Ohio Newspapers Inc	Legal Ad	\$257.88	
Noah's Hope	Sponsorship	\$3,000.00	
			\$4,375.91
Sheriff			
Arney Automotive LLC	Repairs	\$690.44	
Arney Automotive LLC	Repairs	\$51.03	
Arney Automotive LLC	Repairs	\$51.03	
Arney Automotive LLC	Repairs	\$57.62	
Arney Automotive LLC	Repairs	\$72.98	
Arney Automotive LLC	Repairs	\$51.03	
Arney Automotive LLC	Repairs	\$126.20	
Arney Automotive LLC	Repairs	\$162.16	
Arney Automotive LLC	Repairs	\$162.16	
Arney Automotive LLC	Repairs	\$303.48	
Arney Automotive LLC	Repairs	\$51.03	
First Stop Signs	Services	\$90.00	
JWC Environmental	Grinder	\$13,064.00	
Mastercard	Travel Expense	\$31.57	
Mastercard	Travel Expense	\$314.70	
Mastercard	Contract Services	\$55.85	
Mastercard	Training	\$95.00	

Neil's Shirt Shop	Supplies	\$151.00	
New Philadelphia Fire Dept	Services	\$182.00	
New Philadelphia Water Dept	Services	\$2,744.10	
Ohio Head & Neck Surgeons	Services	\$235.57	
Rex Pipe	Repairs	\$160.12	
Terminix Commercial	Services	\$900.00	
Union Hospital	Services	\$339.60	
VEIT Inc	Copier Contracts	\$1,107.30	
Zashin & Rich Co LPA	Services	\$1,849.00	
			\$23,098.97
Southern District			
Dominion Energy	Service	\$129.00	
Information Technology	License Subscriptions	\$450.00	
Johnson Printing	Supplies	\$460.00	
Mid-American Court Services	Monitoring Fee	\$128.50	
Mid-American Court Services	Monitoring Fee	\$99.00	
Pioneer 360	Mthly & Yrly Contract Fees	\$1,312.50	
Pitney Bowes	Postage Machine Qtrly Fee	\$258.60	
Quill	Supplies	\$231.96	
Verizon	Service	\$156.73	
			\$3,226.29
			GRAND
			TOTAL \$766,701.03

VOTE: Chris Abbuhl, yes;
 Kristin Zemis, yes;
 Greg Ress, yes;

OTHER BUSINESS: Commissioner Ress stated we are winding down our first year. He wanted to say it has been a pleasure working with Commissioner Abbuhl and Commissioner Zemis this first year. Commissioner Abbuhl has made it very easy for the new Commissioners coming into the position. He loves the idea that no politics have been involved, we work as a team and respect each other's decisions.

Commissioner Ress congratulated Mr. Abbuhl on his new position as President of the County Commissioner's Association of Ohio (CCAO). Tuscarawas will be proud and happy to have a Commissioner from our County representing us at the State level.

Commissioner Abbuhl appreciated the kind words, and stated it has been a pleasure working with both Commissioner Ress and Zemis.

Commissioner Zemis feels the same and stated we are so lucky to have our staff as well. She would be lost otherwise!

RESOLUTION (1076-2023) EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Commissioner Ress, seconded by Commissioner Zemis, to move into Executive Session at 9:12 a.m. for the purpose of bargaining unit negotiations to discuss the status of union contract negotiations for Water & Sewer per ORC 121.22 (G)(4) with Michael Jones, Sanitary Engineer.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Chris Abbuhl, ; yes
 Kristin Zemis, ; yes
 Greg Ress, ; yes

Those present for the Executive Session were as follows:

Chris Abbuhl, Commissioner	Michael Jones, Sanitary Engineer
Kristin Zemis, Commissioner	Kris Lowdermilk, HR Manager
Greg Ress, Commissioner	

Commissioner Abbuhl called the meeting out of Executive Session and back into regular session at 9:39 a.m.

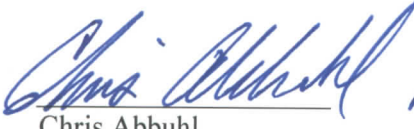
NO ACTION TAKEN.

RESOLUTION (1077-2023) ADJOURN

It was moved by Commissioner Zemis, seconded by Commissioner Ress to adjourn at 9:39 a.m. to meet in Regular session Monday, the 18th day of December, 2023.

VOTE: Chris Abbuhl, yes;
Kristin Zemis, yes;
Greg Ress, yes;

We hereby certify the above and foregoing to be a true and correct account of the proceedings as had by and before us on the day and year first written above.


Chris Abbuhl


Kristin Zemis


Greg Ress


Attest: Rhonda Jordan, Clerk