

**HARRISON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
100 WEST MARKET STREET
CADIZ OH 43907**

**Commissioners Meeting
June 3, 2015**

Attendance: William Host, Don Bethel & Dale Norris (Commissioner Norris Absent)
 Others Present: Michael Palmer, Scott Blackburn, Janet McGonigal, Joyce Klingler, Dan Watts, JD Long,
 Doug Crabtree & Ruth Ann Nabb

Meeting
 Commissioner Host called the meeting to order

Minutes

Commissioner Bethel moved to approve the minutes of May 27, seconded by Commissioner Host. Motion carried with Bethel & Host all voting yes.

Scott Blackburn (DJFS)

The Harrison County Department of Job and Family Services is requesting the following out of county travel expenses for agency staff:
 June 1, 2015, for myself and Joyce Brown, Assistant Director, to attend a WIOA Meeting with ODJFS Officials in St. Clairsville, \$18.00
 June 1, 2015, for Demetrius Carrothers, Social Worker, to travel to Mt. Vernon for a monthly home visit with a foster child
 June 10, 2015, for Demetrius Carrothers, Social Worker, to travel to Cleveland for a monthly home visit with a foster child
 June 11, 2015, for Linda Schoppe, Social Worker, to attend a required children services training in Cambridge, \$27.00
 June 22, 2015, for Joyce Brown, Assistant Director, to attend the MLD East ABLE Advisory Committee Meeting, to be held in Zanesville, \$60.30

Commissioner Bethel moved to approve the travel letter as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Host. Motion carried with Host & Bethel all voting yes.

DJFS Vouchers

Commissioner Bethel moved to approve the vouchers as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Host. Motion carried with Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Doug Crabtree (Engineer's Office) - Paving Bid Opening

The County Road 8 bids were opened.

Commissioner Bethel moved to table the bid, seconded by Commissioner Host. Motion carried with Host & Bethel all voting yes.

2015 Harrison County Commissioners Paving Bids			
Road Project	Newton Paving	Lash Paving	Shelly & Sands Paving
CR 68	\$60,480.00	\$57,254.00	\$66,695.00
CR 8	\$131,740.00	\$135,830.25	\$153,525.00
CR39	\$87,990.00	\$90,542.00	\$96,255.00
CR59		\$153,589.50	\$183,358.00
CR36 & 36A		\$168,215.00	\$196,300.25
CR41		\$192,310.00	\$229,616.50
CR16		\$165,080.00	\$194,159.50

Engineer's office recommendation of bid awards: CR68 – Lash Paving, CR 8 – Newton Paving, CR 39 – Newton Paving, CR59 – Lash Paving, CR 36 & 36A – Lash Paving, CR 41 – Lash Paving, CR 16 – Lash Paving. Total investment \$956,178.50

Commissioner Bethel moved to approve the recommended bid awards, seconded by Commissioner Host. Motion carried with Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Vouchers

Commissioner Bethel moved to approve the vouchers as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Host. Motion carried with Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Sealed bids will be received for supplying Waterline Materials to the Harrison County Highway Department by June 17, 2015 at 10:00 am.

Commissioner Bethel moved to approve the advertisement as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Host. Motion carried with Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Cadiz Village Secondary Water Source
Sherry Loos
Senior Rural Development Specialist/GIS Coordinator
Rural Community Assistance Program
4030 SR 43, Suite 109
Kent, Ohio 44240

Dear Ms. Loos:

As a major water customer of the Village of Cadiz (40-50,000 gallons per day), the Harrison County Water and Sewer District was affected by the recent toxic algae bloom near the Village's Tappan Lake raw water intake. With some 230 residences and three businesses served by our Unionvale-Kenwood water system we share the concerns of the Village of Cadiz, Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District and Ohio Environmental Protection Agency with regard to Tappan Lake water quality. All parties recognize the negative impact that future toxic algae events would have on critical water users, economic activity, governmental function and overall quality of life.

The Harrison County Commission, which governs the Harrison County Water and Sewer District, concurs that a secondary water source should be sought as a contingency to future water supply emergencies and potential shortages. The Commission stands ready to assist in this effort and has taken steps to secure such a source.

Currently, Harrison County water mains are within about 8500 feet of the Village of Hopedale, which receives its potable water from the Jefferson County Water District. Contacts have been made with both Hopedale and Jefferson County, both of whom are favorable to supplying water to Harrison County and ultimately the Village of Cadiz on an emergency basis. Meetings are being scheduled to finalize a water uses agreement.

In addition, the Commission has directed the Harrison County Sanitary Engineer to prepare detail plans and schedule crews to install the connecting pipeline and appurtenances upon plan and funding approval.

We are grateful for the encouragement and support of the Ohio EPA and the Rural Community Assistance Program (RCAP) who are helping to secure funding. This is seen as a priority project and the necessary Harrison County assets are being committed for its implementation.

Commissioner Bethel moved to approve the letter as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Host. Motion carried with Host & Bethel all voting yes.

David Watson (CSEA)
I hereby request transfer of \$25,000.00 from the General Fund, line item E0010-A009-E020150 to the Harrison County CSEA line item Ro200-C003-H06.

Commissioner Bethel moved to approve the appropriation as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Host. Motion carried with Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Appropriations

Harrison County Commissioners

Please transfer and increase appropriations in the Advertisement Fund:

A001-A09	Advertisement	3000.00
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Commissioner Bethel moved to approve the appropriation as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Host. Motion carried with Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Harrison County Department of Job and Family Services
Request is hereby made for the payment of the county's mandated share for June 2015. The monthly payment amount is \$3,531.41.

Commissioner Bethel moved to approve the mandated share as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Host. Motion carried with Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Harrison County Emergency Management Agency
I would respectfully request that the Commissioners appropriate \$10,000.00 to line item E0210-Z050-Z02.030 EMA-Supplies/Equipment/Rent.

Commissioner Bethel moved to approve the appropriation as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Host. Motion carried with Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Harrison County Court of Common Pleas Juvenile/Probate Division
Please increase the appropriations for Account Do8D01 by \$30,000.00. This is needed to cover current obligations. This account is fully funded.

Commissioner Bethel moved to approve the appropriation as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Host. Motion carried with Host & Bethel all voting yes.

County Home Bid

The County Home 9 building complete removal bids were opened.

Commissioner Bethel moved to table the bid, seconded by Commissioner Host. Motion carried with Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Ken Mason


The Harrison County Commissioners Bethel & Host, Nick Homrighausen – Economical Developmental Director & Ken Mason have met with Belmont County Commissioners and Tuscarawas County Commissioners regarding their counties portion of the B & O Railroad Corridor. There was much discussion with the County Commissioners of Belmont and Tuscarawas Counties being interested in purchasing their respective portions of the corridor from CSX.

Joyce Klingler

Is there a short term and long term plan for the B & O Railroad property if the county decides to purchase this property? Yes there are plans that the County Commissioners are currently working on.
What happens if Belmont and Tuscarawas Counties do not purchase their respective properties?

Adjourned

Commissioner Bethel moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Host. Motion carried with Host & Bethel all voting yes.


William Host, Chairman


Dale Norris

Don Bethel

Brandi Simmons, Clerk


Samantha Trushell, Asst. Clerk

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Commissioners Meeting
June 9, 2015

Attendance: William Host, Don Bethel & Dale Norris

Others Present: JD Long, Janet McConigal, Ruth Ann Nabb, Mollie Warner, Joe Myers, Scott Blackburn
& Doug Crabtree

Meeting
Commissioner Host called the meeting to order

Minutes
Commissioner Bethel moved to approve the minutes of June 3, seconded by Commissioner Host. Motion carried with Bethel & Host all voting yes. Commissioner Norris abstained

Doug Crabtree (Engineer's Office) : Paving Bid Opening Purchase Orders & Vouchers
Commissioner Bethel moved to approve the purchase orders & vouchers, seconded by Commissioner Norris. Motion carried with Norris, Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Resolution 19-15
This resolution was approved for a Force Fed Dirt Loader lease which will be paid by 5 annual installments.

Commissioner Norris moved to approve Resolution 19-15, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Agreement 42-15 (RUMA)
This Agreement is by and between Harrison County and Chesapeake Exploration. Whereas operator intends to commence use of 4.0 miles of County Road 44 (Gundy Ridge Road) for the purpose of ingress and egress for the Ray Johnston Well site for the traffic necessary for the purpose of constructing sites and Construction horizontal oil and gas wells, and completion operations at the Ray Johnston Well site (hereinafter referred to collectively as "Construction Activity"); and

Commissioner Norris moved to approve Agreement 42-15, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Bethel & Host all voting yes.

Joe Myers (Sheriff)

Tower Bid Award

After reviewing bids received on May 20, 2015 for the proposed Harrison County Emergency Communications Tower, it is the recommendation to award the bid received from Mercury Communications & Construction, Inc for the amount of \$440,650.00

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the bid submitted by Mercury Communications & Construction, Inc, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Agreement 43-15

ASTRO25 System Upgrade (MARCS Radio System)

This is an agreement with Motorola to upgrade the radio communication equipment in the Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$473,284. The current radio equipment is over 25 years old and this will get everything up-to-date.

Commissioner Bethel moved to approve Agreement 43-15, seconded by Commissioner Norris. Motion carried with Bethel, Norris & Host all voting yes.

Scott Blackburn (DJFS Director)

Travel Letter

June 9 for Demetrius Carrothers, Social Worker to travel to St. Clairsville to participate in a forensic interview with a client \$15

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the travel letter, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Bethel & Host all voting yes.

Bills

Commissioner Bethel moved to approve the bills as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Norris. Motion carried with Norris, Bethel & Host all voting yes.

Agreement 44-15

This is a sub-agency biannual agreement between Ohio DJFS & the Local DJFS.

Commissioner Bethel moved to approve Agreement 44-15, seconded by Commissioner Norris. Motion carried with Bethel, Host & Norris all voting yes.

Letter of Resignation

Scott asked for the Commissioners to approve a letter of resignation from Megan Vermillion. She has an opportunity to return to school fully funded to she is leaving the agency to further her education.

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the letter of resignation, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Bethel & Host all voting yes.

Nick Homrighausen (Economic Development Director)

The Commissioners have the opportunity to purchase no less than 251.3 acres (25 miles) of rail line located in the southern end of the County for future development which includes trails, water & sewer etc.

Resolution 42-15

Whereas, the Harrison County Commissioners declare their intent to purchase the CSX Railroad corridor in Harrison County.

Commissioner Norris moved to approve Resolution 40-15, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Common Pleas General Division Transfer Request

The Harrison County Common Pleas Court is requesting a transfer in the following line items:
\$1500 from B093-B01 (Salary) to B093-B06 (Equipment)

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the transfer request, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Bethel & Host all voting yes.

Common Pleas General Division Appropriation Request

After a review of Fund A67 – Special Projects, the court finds that there is currently a cash balance of \$23,723.15 as of the close of May 2015

The court further finds that appropriation adjustments need to be made in this fund to utilize special projects monies in lieu of general fund monies.

The Court is not requesting additional monies only to appropriate monies we already control.

Additional appropriation of \$15,000 to A067-A02 (Salary/Benefits)

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the appropriation request, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Bethel & Host all voting yes.

Commissioners Transfers & Appropriations Adjustments

Increase appropriations in D061-D04 (Economic Developer Travel & Expenses) by \$10,000

Increase appropriations in U043-U01 (519 Waterline) by \$10,000

Transfer the following:

\$150,000 from A015-A15 (Transfers) to U043 (519 Waterline)

\$50,000 from A015-A15 (Transfers) to A25 (Government Center)

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the adjustments, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Bethel & Host all voting yes.

Auditor Request

Per the State Auditors request, please transfer \$150,000 from E010-U52-U01 (Harrison County Sinking Fund) into the R010-A010-O45 (Other refunds & reimbursements). This fund was not set up properly and can be redone at a later date.

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the request, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Bethel & Host all voting yes.

Agreement 41-15

Amendment to Owner-Engineer Agreement signed March 5, 2014 dealing with the Sanitation Issue in the Piedmont & Freeport areas. The amended amount is a total of \$35,100 for a total project cost of \$75,100.

Commissioner Norris moved to approve Agreement 41-15, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Bethel, Norris & Host all voting yes.

Adjourned

Commissioner Bethel moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Host. Motion carried with Host & Bethel all voting yes.

William Host

William Host, Chairman

Don Bethel

Don Bethel

Dale Norris

Dale Norris

Brandi Simmons

Brandi Simmons, Clerk

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Commissioners Meeting
June 17, 2015

Attendance: Don Bethel & Dale Norris (Commissioner Host Absent)

Others Present: James Milleson, Barry Miner, Thomas Tsozas, Joe Myers, Pat Cox, Ron Hawkins, Janet McGonigal, Ruth Ann Nabb, Joyce Klingler, Lisa Zaucha, Dan Rice, JD Long, Keila Telfer, Mollie Warner, Clint Powell, Ed Pizzino, Scott Blackburn & Ken Mason

Meeting

Commissioner Bethel called the meeting to order

Minutes

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the minutes of June 10, seconded by Commissioner Host. Motion carried with Norris & Bethel all voting yes.

Dan Rice (President Ohio & Erie Canal Coalition)

Mr. Rice did a presentation on what the Ohio & Erie Canal Coalition could do for Harrison County in helping build a trail system. He explained what projects they have been working on and what their plans on for the future. He presented the Commissioners with a Technical Services Agreement and Scope of Services Agreement for their review. The Commissioners will look over the Agreement and forward it on to the Prosecutor for review.

Bid Opening (Giacobbi Road/Hopedale Water Line Connector)

Totterdale	\$96,444.00
National Road	\$91,793.10
Pipelines Inc	\$99,922.57
James Cox	\$97,710.68

Commissioner Norris moved to table the bids for further review, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris & Bethel voting yes.

Lisa Zaucha (Hopedale Mayor)

Lisa voiced her concerns over an article that appeared in the Harrison News Herald about a water line project that would involve the Village of Hopedale. Mrs. Zaucha's concern was that neither she nor any council members were notified of this project or any meetings dealing with this project. It is pretty sad that we knew nothing about this and it pertains to our Village. Commissioner Bethel apologized on behalf of the Commissioners and they take full responsibility for the matter. From now on Mrs. Zaucha wants to be involved with any and all meetings concerning the Village and if she is not available she will make sure representation is present.

Scott Blackburn (DJFS Director)

Travel Letter

June 16 for Billie Allison, Unit Support Worker to travel to New Philadelphia to pick up items for a foster child's life book

June 18 for Marcia Thompson & Cheryl Yarish, Fiscal Staff to travel to Stark County DJFS, Canton for a quarterly fiscal meeting \$88.47

June 19 for Linda Schoppe, Social Worker to travel to St. Clairsville for a monthly home visit with a foster child

June 22 for Linda Schoppe, Social Worker to travel to Cleveland for monthly face to face visits with foster children

June 22 & 23 for Scott Blackburn to attend a Judicial Symposium to be held in Columbus. He will be attending with Judge Matthew Puskarich \$200

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the travel letter, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris & Bethel voting yes.

Bills

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the bills as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris & Bethel voting yes.

Jim Milleson (Concern business owner/county resident)

Mr. Milleson presented the following list of questions concerning the possible purchase of the CSX Rail Line:

1. Who gets the mineral rights? (Coal, Gas & Oil, Sandstone and related hydrocarbons)
2. Bridges – who replaces them and at what cost?
3. Who builds the fence lines? Along both sides?
4. Who will be responsible for the created wetlands, by lack of maintenance to the culvers and drainage since abandonment?

5. Has a complete title opinion and/or abstract been done?
6. What landowners that owns land which borders the right of way, has voiced approval of this?
7. What fund will the capital come from to build infrastructure that you are proposing?
8. What fund will provide funding for maintenance?
9. Has anyone actually walked this corridor?
10. Are you aware that most deeds along the corridor show a 99 year lease – or reverter clause? Most parcels of land have been put back into ownership of the bordering landowners.

Commissioner Bethel made mentions that these were good questions and some of them they are able to answer. We will answer all the questions and get answers back to you and the public.

Common Pleas Transfer Request

We are closing out FY2015 and we are requesting the following transfer:

- \$530.50 from B091-B03 (Health Insurance) to B091-B01 (Salary)
- \$114.75 from B091-B03 (Health Insurance) to B091-B02 (PERS)
- \$214.88 from B091-B16 (Workers Comp) to B091-B02 (PERS)
- \$76.78 from B091-B16 (Workers Comp) to B091-B02 (PERS)
- \$25.08 from B091-B16 (Workers Comp) to B091-B04 (Medicare)

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the transfer request, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris & Bethel all voting yes.

Common Pleas Appropriation Request

As we were closing the fiscal year for our grants there was a miscommunication and \$470 was inadvertently taken from B092-B01 (Salary) and \$6.84 was inadvertently taken from B092-B02. It is necessary that this error be corrected prior to the close of our fiscal year which is June 30, 2015.

Therefore, we are asking that:

- \$470 be appropriated into B092-B01 (Salary)
- \$6.84 be appropriated to B092-B02 (Medicare)

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the appropriation request, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris & Bethel all voting yes.

County Home Building Removal Bids

Commissioner Norris moved to reject the bid received from SAFECO in the amount of \$138,000 for the County Home Building Removal, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris & Bethel all voting yes.

County Home Bid Notice

The Harrison County Commissioners will be accepting sealed bids for the removal, cleaning and grading of 9 structures located at the Harrison County Home, 41500 Cadiz-Dennison Road, Cadiz OH 43907. Bids must be received by Monday, July 13th at 4:00 p.m. and will be opened on July 15th at 10:00 a.m. Once the bid is awarded and the contractor has been contacted, they shall have two months to complete the demolition and grading work. All materials must be cleaned up and hauled away. For more information or to view the structures, please contact the Administrators Office at the County Home by calling 740-942-3573 or the Harrison County Commissioner's Office at 740-942-4623. The Harrison County Commissioners reserve the right to accept or deny any and all bids.

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the rebid, seconded by Commissioner Host. Motion carried with Norris & Bethel all voting yes.

EMA Advance Request

I would respectfully request that the Board of Commissioners advance from A115-A15 the amount of \$30,000 to Z50, in expectation of reimbursement in August 2015 from the State of Ohio EMA in the amount of \$32,000. The purpose of the advance is to eliminate the current negative balance in fund Z50, as well as alleviate findings against the County Auditor from the State Auditor.

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the advance, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris & Bethel all voting yes.

Engineers Vouchers

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the vouchers as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris & Bethel all voting yes.

Sheriff Myers

Contract 9-15

This contract is for the tower construction (see file for more info)

Commissioner Norris moved to approve Contract 9-15, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris & Bethel all voting yes.

Ed Pizzino (County Resident)

Wanted to touch base on the lighting issue with these new plants going in. He would like to see something n our building codes that requires lights to have cover over the top so that the night sky is still visible.

Sheriff Myers

I would like to make mention of the new garden that was planted by the Senior Fair office at the fairgrounds by Keila Telfer and the Soil & Water employees. It looks great and I think she needs recognized for trying to take part in making the grounds look better.

Adjourned

Commissioner Norris moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris & Bethel all voting yes.

ABSENT

William Host, Chairman



Don Bethel



Dale Norris



Brandi Simmons, Clerk

HARRISON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Commissioners Meeting

June 24, 2015

Attendance: William Host, Don Bethel & Dale Norris

Others Present: Ruth Ann Nabb, Janet McConigal, Mollie Warner, Ken Mason, Vicki Sefstich, Scott Blackburn, Doug Crabtree, Robert Sterling & Jessica Norris

Meeting

Commissioner Host called the meeting to order

Minutes

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the minutes of June 17, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Jessica Norris (Prosecutors Office)

Mrs. Norris was here to ask for an increase in their match for the Victims Assistance Grant. The increase would be \$2772.06. This would help us get a higher amount for the grant.

Commissioner Bethel moved to approve the match increase, seconded by Commissioner Host. Motion carried with Host & Bethel voting yes. Commissioner Norris abstained

Doug Crabtree (Engineers Office)

Vouchers

Commissioner Bethel moved to approve the vouchers as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Norris. Motion carried with Norris, Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Agreement 49-15 (RUIMA)

This Agreement is by and between Harrison County and National Lime & Stone Company. Whereas operator intends to commence use of 23,250 feet of County Road 13 (Unionvale-Kenwood Road) for the purpose of ingress and egress for the Plant for the traffic necessary for the purpose of hauling stone and similar products (Hauling Activity)

Commissioner Norris moved to approve Agreement 49-15, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Bethel & Host all voting yes.

Scott Blackburn (DJFS Director)

Travel Letter

June 24 for Demetrius Carrothers, Social Worker to travel from home to Canton and then on to Uhrichsville for a monthly home visit with foster children \$45.55

June 24 for Demetrius Carrothers, Social Worker to travel to Steubenville, Jefferson County Jail for a month visit with a parent

June 24 for Linda Schoppe, Social Worker to travel to St. Clairsville for a monthly home visit with foster children

June 26 for Linda Schoppe, Social Worker to travel to Dresden for a monthly home visit with foster children

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the travel letter, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Bethel & Host all voting yes.

Bills

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the bills as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Agreement 46-15

This is a service agreement between the Harrison County DJFS & Jefferson County Community Action Council, Inc. Adult CFDA #17.258 (Dislocated Worker CFDS#17.278) effective July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016

Commissioner Norris moved to approve Agreement 46-15, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Agreement 47-15

This is a service agreement between the Harrison County DJFS & Jefferson County Community Action Council, Inc WIOA Youth (CFDA #17.259).

Commissioner Norris moved to approve Agreement 47-15, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Resolution 20-15

A resolution declaring the necessity to levy a tax in excess of the ten mill limitation for the benefit of Harrison County General Health District, Harrison County, Ohio for the purpose of maintaining a general operating budget to provide the people of Harrison County with health promotion, disease prevention, food and water safety and environmental services at a rate not exceeding 1 mill for each one dollar of valuation which amounts to \$.010 for each one hundred dollars of valuation for 10 years and which levy is an additional.

Commissioner Norris moved to approve Resolution 20-15, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Agreement 44-15

Juvenile Court Grant Agreement and Funding Application beginning July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017.

Commissioner Norris moved to approve Agreement 44-15, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Agreement 48-15

This is a purchase of service agreement between the Harrison County Commissioners and CSX Transportation, Inc. for the purchase of 251.2 acres at a purchase price of \$656,560.

Commissioner Norris moved to approve Agreement 48-15, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Clerk of Court Appropriation Request (B30)

The cash balance in account B30-B01 (Clerk of Courts Computerization Fund) as of 5/31/15 is \$6751.85. I am requesting that the Commissioners appropriate \$5000 of that cash balance into B30-B01 so that I can pay for the upgrades to my computer system.

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the appropriation request, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Clerk of Court Appropriation Request (A040)

AS of 5/31/15, the Account A040 Certificate of Title Admin Fund had a cash balance of \$11,466.40. I have attached a copy of the Monthly Financial Report from the Auditor's office for your review. I am requesting additional appropriations to A040-E03 (Supplies) in the amount of \$1000.

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the appropriation request, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Common Pleas Court General Division Appropriation Request

Please make the following correction to the B93-B02 (PERS) line item and increase the appropriation by \$376.32

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the appropriation request, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Host & Bethel all voting yes.

Senior Center Appropriation Request

Please increase appropriations from the Harrison County Council on Aging (\$102-501) levy funds by \$48,000.

Commissioner Norris moved to approve the appropriation request, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Host & Bethel all voting yes.

**Response to CSX Questions presented by Jim Millison
Former B&O/CSX Right of Way**

Q: Who gets the mineral rights (Coal, Gas, Oil, Sandstone and Related Hydrocarbons)?

A: CSX the current owner of the Rail Corridor reserves ALL mineral rights.

Q: Bridges, who replaces them and at what cost?

A: Property is transferred to purchaser "As is", all required replacement and upgrades are at the expense of the purchaser. The cost to traverse streams and/or creeks in the event of County moving forward with Rails to Trails will be determined at the time of development. Additionally, Ken Mason indicated that the load requirements (walking, biking) for a timber frame bridge are considerably less than specs involving train traffic. Tuscarawas County has built similar bridges with volunteers from the community.

Q: Who builds the fence lines along both sides?

A: If a railroad owns the property (and is operating an active railway), the railroad has the responsibility to build and maintain a fence sufficient to hold back livestock where need be. When railroads are not involved, the building of new partition fences is the responsibility of the landowner utilizing the fence. During normal construction of the Rails to Trails an engineer (County or State) will evaluate if it's necessary to construct fencing to protect the safety and well being of the public at the agency's expense.

Q: Who will be responsible for the created wetlands by lack of maintenance to the culverts and drainage since abandonment?

A: The purchaser of the property assumes all responsibility for maintaining culverts and drainage. County staff members will manage the subject property in compliance with Ohio Environmental Protection agency oversight.

Q: Has a complete Title Opinion, Abstract been done?

A: The Seller, CSX has provided a complete listing (118) of parcels and property owners with Recorded Vol & Pg numbers. Once a PSA is received, they will provide copies of all deeds and related documents related to the subject property. All data will be forwarded to a Title company for an in depth analysis prior to closing.

Q: What landowners that owns land which borders the right of way, has voiced approval of this?

A: To date, County Commissions have held three (3) public meetings to discuss specifics of the proposed purchase. Questions have been asked and answers returned. Also the Freeport, Moorefield & Washington Township Trustees have passed resolutions in support of this purchase.

Q: What fund will the capital come from to build infrastructure that you are proposing?

A: Our primary interest is Potable Water supply and a waste water treatment facility (WWTF.) Secondly, we are considering entering into an agreement with a Rails to Trails coalition. Our intention is to explore all opportunities for State/Federal Grants and matching contributions to support the initiative.

Q: What fund will provide funding for maintenance?

A: Our County Staff will have responsibility for Potable Water/WWTF maintenance. If the decision is made to partner with Rails to Trails agency it will be determine what part if any of the maintenance Harrison County Staff will have responsibility to perform.

Q: Has anyone actually walked this corridor?

A: Yes, our County Engineer and his staff have been pursuing the purchase of the subject property for the last 12 years or so. He and/or his staff have traversed the corridor and are quite familiar with its' topography.

Q: Are you aware that most deeds along the corridor show a 99 year lease – so reverter clause. Most parcels of land have been put back into ownership of the bordering landowners?

A: We will perform an extensive Title search prior to closing. Our preliminary analysis indicates out of the 118 affected parcels, only three (3) appear to have been returned to the prior property owner, and County Engineer, Rob Sterling has indicated that those sections are near townships roads, thereby making the use of the township road and its easement and/or right-of-way a feasible alternative for those sections. We assure the public that a thorough Title search will be completed during the investigative phase between PSA and Closing.

We would also like to note that we have letters of support from the Township Trustees of Freeport, Moorefield & Washington.

Nick Homrighausen (Economic Development Director) Update

I was involved in the purchase of the CSX Rail property

Currently we are working with a new company to develop/update the County website
Currently working with interested parties on possible land sales at the Industrial Park
Meet with Congressman Johnson and we went around the County showing needs

Patrick Moore (Auditor)

I would just like to say that purchasing the CSX rail line was a good move to help move the county forward.

Robert Sterling (Engineer)

I would just like to thank you guys for the funding to get road repairs completed.

Sheriff Myers

Safety meeting will be Monday at 10:00 a.m.

Ken Mason

It was a pleasure to work with the Board in acquiring the CSX rail line. This project has been in the works for years and it's good to finally see it happen.

Adjourned

Commissioner Norris moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Bethel. Motion carried with Norris, Host & Bethel all voting yes.

William Host, Chairman

Don Bethel

Dale Norris

Brandi Simmons, Clerk