

COMMISSIONERS GENERAL SESSION
September 18, 2017

**Present at the meeting were
Commissioners:**

Brenda K. Benner-Chairman
Paul L. Rudy Jr-Vice-Chairman
Stephen C. Naylor- Secretary
William R. Bunt- Solicitor
Kathy Burkholder- Chief Clerk

Present from the Press: None.

Present from the Public: Karen Anderson, Stephen Benedict, Miriam Briscoe, Frank Campbell, Mary Colledge, Evelyn D'Elia, Elaine Dorman, Jason Finnerty, Kevin Fitzpatrick, Harva Owings-Baughman, Rich Pluta, Robert Ressler, Bill Roberts, Martha Roberts, Chad Tressler, Morgan Tressler, Sam Wagner, Melanie Wertz

Commissioner Benner opened the meeting at 10:00 AM on September 18, 2017 with the Pledge to the Flag and a moment of silence. The meeting was being recorded by Melanie Wertz.

Public Comment: Commissioner Benner announced that on Monday, October 2, 2017, 2:00 p.m., Betsy Lockwood from Seda-Cog will be available in the Commissioners Conference Room to discuss the various programs offered by Seda-Cog.

A Proclamation was presented to Sam Wagner and Stephen Benedict on behalf of the Lions Club recognizing the month of October as "White Cane Month" and also in celebration of the Lions Club 100 years of service in their effort to eradicate blindness.

Chad Tressler, New Bloomfield Fire Company asked the Board for consideration of an annual donation to help the fire company survive and purchase rescue equipment and was wondering at budget time if they could put a line item in.

Miriam Briscoe and Karen Anderson asked several questions regarding the Economic Development Corporation and the Authority and the money loaned to the Corporation from the County.

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Naylor made a motion to approve the minutes of September 11, 2017. Commissioner Rudy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Warrant List: Commissioner Naylor made a motion to approve the warrant list for the week of September 18, 2017 in the amount of \$200,436.67. Commissioner Rudy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Rudy made a motion to approve the Certificate for a Cost Allocation Plan for Maximus consulting Services for Children & Youth Services and Domestic Relations for fiscal year ended 2016. Commissioner Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Employee Status:

Commissioner Rudy made a motion to accept the letter of resignation for Scott Flanders, Conservation Resource Specialist, effective September 20, 2017. Commissioner Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Michael Shalonis submitted his resignation as Acting Coroner effective September 15, 2017.

Commissioner Rudy made a motion to accept the appointment of Michael Hoak as Chief Deputy Coroner effective September 12, 2017. Commissioner Benner seconded the motion. Motion carried. Commissioner Naylor opposed.

Solicitors Report: Nothing that required Action.

Public Comment: Karen Anderson asked how she could see the warrant list and spoke regarding the Sunshine Law.

Melanie Wertz thanked the Roberts for attending the meeting and asked Commissioner Rudy about arranging a public meeting that she spoke of on August 10th and still has not received a response. Commissioner Rudy responded he is only one commissioner and asked the chief clerk to arrange a meeting.

Kevin Fitzpatrick, Authority Board Member, noted that the Corporation is a private organization and there are not public minutes or public participation. The current Authority Board members have been working for three years.

Bill Roberts of IBS Development Corporation has invested money in the Business Campus in the amount of \$156,000 on attorneys. They have an option on purchasing the Business Campus Park. Bill gave a history on the Corporation and explained how the County got involved in 2008 by Adoption of a Resolution in which the County paid the debt service on the 2003 Note to the bank.

Commissioner Rudy made a motion to adjourn at 10:45 a.m. Commissioner Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Kathy Burkholder, Chief Clerk

Stephen C. Naylor, Secretary