

ERIE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR SESSION

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29, 2024

ALL PRESENT

President Shenigo called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. at the Services Center and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**County Administrator Hank Solowiej re Various Issues.**

Property Tax Suspension - County Administrator Hank Solowiej mentioned that the Budget Commission approved the suspension of the inside 2.3 mills collection of property taxes for 2024-tax year, which would have been collected in 2025. Hank stated he will make sure this is reflected on the County's revenue estimate for 2025.

September 4<sup>th</sup> Commission Meeting - Hank reminded the Board that the Commission meeting will open at 9:30 with the Rye Beach Area 2, Bogart Road and Bardshar Sewer Rehabilitation Project and will then recess until 11:55 a.m. where we will travel to St. Mary's Central Catholic High School for the rest of the meeting. Hank asked if the Commission wanted him to present several budgets that are ready at the school, and the Commission stated yes.

Subdivision Regulations - The proposed amendments to the Subdivision Regulations were approved by the Erie Regional Planning Commission and will be ready for the Board to pass next week.

On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board **receives bids** that were opened on Wednesday, August 28, 2024, for the **treated rock salt for Highway Ice Control** and referred same to the County Engineer for review and recommendation back to the Board; Roll Call: All Aye

COMPANY	AMOUNT	BID BOND
<b>Morton Salt</b>	delivery \$51.42/ton	X
Chicago, Illinois 60606	pick up \$51.00/ton	
<b>Compass Minerals America</b>	delivery \$51.98/ton	X
Overland Park, Kansas 66201	pick up \$50.00/ton	
<b>Cargill Deicing Technology</b>	deliver \$60.17/ton	X
North Olmstead, Ohio 44070	pick up \$60.00/ton	

**ESTIMATE**

Mr. Shenigo asked for an update regarding the new brine system equipment for the Engineer's Office. Hank stated that the majority of the equipment will be delivered in September and there is one more Equipment Outlay and Request Form going through today's meeting for approval.

Ohio Public Works Commission Funding Request - Hank stated the Commissioners have received a request from the Chief Deputy Engineer Tim Lloyd to consider the Hull Road widening and resurfacing project for OPWC funding. Hank noted this project is the same project the Engineer's Office asked for OPWC funding for last year as well, and the Commissioners denied the request. Mr. Old noted that his preference is that OPWC funds go to other communities in our county and not the county government. The county government is currently in a strong enough financial situation to fund our own projects. OPWC funds make a large impact in communities throughout Erie County and are better spent in those communities. Mr. Shenigo believes that Hull Road needs a bike lane on one side of Hull Road. Mr. Shenigo suggested this project be in the regular Engineer projects in their 2025 budget.

On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board adopts resolution entering into a lease agreement with the **Erie Soil and Water Conservation District**; Roll Call: All Aye (#24-292 - effective 8/29/24 - 8/29/27)

On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board adopts resolution regarding **annual ditch maintenance assessments** upon benefitted property owners, per O.R.C. 6137.06; Roll Call: All Aye (#24-293)

On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board adopts resolution **authorizing payment for services and supplies** provided to Great Lakes Grinders, Ltd.; Roll Call: All Aye (#24-294)

On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board adopts resolution confirming an agreement between **Erie County Court of Common Pleas, Juvenile Division, and Morrow County Juvenile Court**; Roll Call: All Aye (#24-295 - providing juvenile detention services for Morrow County male and female juveniles which cannot be provided by Morrow County effective 8/1/24 - 12/31/25)

On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board adopts resolution entering into a grant agreement with the **State of Ohio, Department of Youth Services**; Roll Call: All Aye (#24-296 - funding in the amount of \$2,302,787 for operation of CCF from 7/1/24 - 6/30/25)

On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board adopts resolution authorizing the County Auditor to make **budget modifications and supplemental appropriations** re General Operating Fund: Facilities, General - Judge Binette, Probate Court, County Court, and Adult Probation; Dog & Kennel Donations Fund; CCA 2.0 2024-2025 Grant Fund; and Keeping Families Together Grant Fund; Roll Call: All Aye (#24-297)

On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board adopts resolution entering into an amendment and restated contract for police services between **Townsend Community School and the Erie County Sheriff**; Roll Call: All Aye (#24-298 - having the appointed full-time Deputy Sheriff assigned to Townsend Community School also provide school resource officer services at Margarett Local School District for 2024-2025 school year)

On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board adopts resolution authorizing the County Auditor to make a **supplemental appropriation and budget modifications** re Erie County Sewer Fund; and Landfill Operations Fund; Roll Call: All Aye (#24-299)

On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board adopts resolution authorizing the County Auditor to make **interfund transfers** re General Operating Fund: Planning Department; ERPC Fund; Erie County Sewer Fund; and Bay View Sewer Revenue Bond Payment Fund; Roll Call: All Aye (#24-300)  
On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board adopts resolution declaring certain items surplus and ordering same to be **discarded or salvaged**; Roll Call: All Aye (#24-301)

On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board adopts resolution executing payment of **Then and Now Certification** presented by the County Auditor pursuant to O.R.C. 5705.41(d)1, and authorizing the drawing of warrant(s) in payment of amounts due upon contract or order; Roll Call: All Aye (#24-302)

Board approves Revised Auditor's Certificate for **R & I Construction, Inc.** in an additional amount of \$313.00 re Harmon Road F-408 Structure Replacement for County Engineer.

Board approves Revised Auditor's Certificate for **Unilliance, Inc.** in an additional amount of \$4,373.94 re placing chip seal on various Township roads for County Engineer.

Board approves payment of Pay Estimate No. 2(final) to R & I Construction, Inc. in the amount of 295,378.64 re Harmon Road Structure F-208 Replacement in Florence Township for County Engineer.

Board approves payment of Pay Estimate No. 1(final) to **Unilliance, Inc.** in the amount of \$267,198.38 re placing chip seal on various Township roads in Erie County for County Engineer.

Board approves payment of Change Order No. 1 in an additional amount of \$3,450.00, but a decrease in the amount of \$432.00 for floor mat reimbursement to **Schindler Elevator** re Services Center elevator repair.

Board approves **one time child care incentive bonus for four ECDJFS employees** in the amount of \$1,000 effective 9/13/24.

Board executes **Promulgation Statement for EMA** re 2024-2025 Erie County Hazmat Plan.

Board approves **Sawmill Creek Wastewater Treatment Plan Expansion** request for bids and authorizes the Finance Department to proceed with the bid process.

Board authorizes expenses for **Melissa Bayer Smith**, Family and Children First Council, and **April Pravlik**, family representative volunteer, attending KIDS Summit in Columbus, Ohio, on 9/5/24 in the amount of \$304.00.

Board approves Personnel Action Forms for **Finance Department** re **Kristinia Bilby**, Account Clerk II, 4% working out of classification pay effective 8/21/24.

Board approves Personnel Action Forms for **The Meadows at Osborn Park** re **Anne Borer**, PRN RN, employment effective 9/5/24; **Kaitlyn Welser**, full-time STNA, employment effective 9/5/24.

Board approves Personnel action Form for **ECDJFS** re **Kristen Lindsey**, from Eligibility Specialist 3 to Eligibility/Referral Supervisor 1 effective 8/26/24; **Stephanie Overmyer**, Eligibility Specialist 3, resignation effective 9/6/24.

Board approves Equipment Outlay and Request Form for **Engineer's Office and Commissioners' Office** re Varitech Trailer anti-ice system in the amount of \$98,500.

Board approves Equipment Outlay and Request Form for **Adult Probation** re two X2 conducted electrical tasers, two tactical performance power batteries, two 15' live smart training cartridges and two L2 duty holsters for tasers in the amount of \$4,815.80.

Board receives copy of memo to Budget Commission Members from Alyssa Heater, Finance Manager, re **2024 Revised Estimated Resources**.

On motion of Mr. Old and second of Mr. Shoffner, Board **recesses until 11:00 a.m. Auditor of State Award Presentation**; Roll Call: All Aye

On motion of Mr. Old and second of Mr. Shoffner, Board **reconvenes**; Roll Call: All Aye

**Award Presentation from Auditor of State Keith Faber.**

Present for this award were: the staff of the Auditor's Office and the fiscal staff from each department under the Commissioners. Elected Officials: Auditor Rick Jeffrey, Treasurer Caleb Stidham, Recorder Ellen Olsen, and County Engineer Jack Farschman were also present.

The Commissioners' all agreed that this award is special and would not be possible without all the employees and officials present. Mr. Shenigo stated that only 4% out of 6,000 government agencies receive this award and the Commissioners are honored to have State Auditor Faber here to present the award.

On motion of Mr. Old and second of Mr. Shoffner, Board **adjourns** at 11:20 a.m.; Roll call: All Aye