

**ERIE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**REGULAR SESSION**

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2024**

**ALL PRESENT**

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

**First Public Hearing re Subdivision Regulations Update.**

Regional Planning Director Tim King was present and explained that the Erie County Subdivision Regulations have not been updated since 2004. In 2020, The Erie Regional Planning Commission started to review and made some updates in 2021, but had some backlash from a former Township Trustee that stalled the updates from being approved.

Tim noted that the Erie Regional Planning Commission has again been meeting to discuss these updates to the regulations and have come to a consensus. Tim briefly explained the planned changes including giving the developer an option to use an alternative to the County Engineer at the developers' expense and allowing for the creation of land locked parcels on private streets. Currently, a public right-of-way is needed to create lots. This change will allow lots to be built on private streets without the request of a variance.

Tim stated that Mike Parker, Vice President of the Erie Regional Planning Commission, is not able to attend the public hearing today but sent an email in support of the changes.

Perkins Township Administrator Gary Boyle was present. He was a part of the committee during the review of the subdivision regulations on behalf of Perkins Township. He stated that the private access easement change is very important to Perkins Township. By allowing lots to be built on private roads without a variance, this will make it easier for the developer and citizens to move to Perkins Township/Erie County. Mr. Boyle stated that he feels it's very important for this change and all the other changes provided be approved. Mr. Boyle is also of the opinion, that if a developer would like to use a separate engineer from the County Engineer it should be their decision. He suggested that Mr. King attend the Township Association business meeting being held on June 13<sup>th</sup> to speak with the Townships regarding the impact of building subdivisions in Erie County.

Dennis Schreiner, Groton Township Trustee, stated the proposed changes to the regulations will allow development in Erie County with less hassle. He also mentioned that there is misinformation being given regarding the proposed change involving the County Engineer versus a Contract Engineer. This proposed change allows the developer the option to utilize a contract engineer, in lieu of using county resources. He stated that the Engineer does a good job with township roads and this change is nothing negative against the Engineer. This change will allow for Erie County to continue their work in a timely manner.

Erie County Treasurer Caleb Stidham stated that he would like to see more development in Erie County. There is currently a housing shortage. These changes will hopefully incentivize development in Erie County.

There being no further comments, the public hearing was closed.

Mr. Old asked why the Engineer has not mowed the country side roads in Erie County. There are locations where the line of sight is completely blocked at certain intersections due to the grass being so high. Mr. Old suggests, in the future, to mow the grass before it reaches a height that we could lose a toddler in. Mr. Old added that ODOT has been mowing their roads for weeks and is deeply concerned about the safety of those traveling on Erie County roads.

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: Commissioners General, Planning Department and Facilities; Delinquent Real Estate Treasurer Fund; Supreme Court Special Docket - Juvenile Court Fund; Donations - Sheriff Fund; CCA 2.0 2024-2025 Grant Fund; Treasurer's Prepaid Interest Fund; and Keeping Families Together Grant Fund; Roll Call: All Aye (#24-189)

On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board adopts resolution authorizing the County Auditor to make **budget modifications** re Erie County Sewer Fund; and Water District Fund; Roll Call: All Aye (#24-190)

On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board adopts resolution declaring certain Erie County equipment surplus and ordering same to be sold by **internet auction**; Roll Call: All Aye (#24-191)

On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board adopts resolution **authorizing payment for services and supplies** provided; Roll Call: All Aye (#24-192)

On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board adopts resolution entering into an agreement with **Luke Jenkins aba Demolition**; Roll Call: All Aye (#24-193 - Oxford Township demolition of parcel number 25-00117.000 through CDBG Program - \$8,500)

On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board adopts resolution entering into an agreement with **Volunteers of America Ohio and Indiana**; Roll Call: All Aye (#24-194 - providing Homeless Prevention Services for residents utilizing CDBG grant funds effective 1/9/23 - 8/30/24 - \$40,000)

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 (#24-195)

On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board adopts resolution entering into an agreement with **RMH Concrete & Foundations, Inc.**; Roll Call: All Aye (#24-196 - repaving sidewalks at the Village Square in Milan utilizing CDBG Funds - 30,338.15)

On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board adopts resolution confirming an agreement between **Dietrich, LLC and the Erie County Treasurer**; Roll Call: All Aye (#24-197 - providing money courier services effective 4/16/24 - 4/16/25 with automatic 1 year renewals - \$1,200)

On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board adopts resolution entering into an agreement with **Allied Universal Electronic Monitoring US, Inc. on behalf of Erie County Common Pleas Court, Adult Probation**; Roll Call: All Aye (#24-198 - providing technical and professional services for electronic monitoring services for Adult Probation - 7/1/24 - 7/1/25 with automatic one year renewals)

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 (#24-199)

On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board adopts resolution entering into Amendment No. 1 to the Subsidy Grant Agreement for the **RECLAIM Ohio/Youth Services Grant Agreement through the Ohio Department of Youth Services**; Roll Call: All Aye (#24-200 - adjusting pay rates for grant staff and increasing the funding to the Pro Social Program)

Board executes letter to The Honorable Michael S. Regan, Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency re **opposition to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Final Rule that imposes new restriction on fossil fuel fired power plants.**

Board executes letter to Ohio Department of Development, 77 South High Street, 29<sup>th</sup> Floor, Columbus, re **letter of support of funding for Battery Park Sandusky through the Transformational Mix-Use Development Program.**

Board approves the **Authorization for Cash Disbursement Form** for DOES.

Board approves Travel Request Form for **Barb Knapp**, Dog Warden, attending Northwest Dog Wardens Association meeting in Defiance, Ohio, on 6/12/24 at no cost.

Board approves Travel Request Form for **Neil Yingling III, Brian Bixler and Amber Jenkins**, ECDJFS, attending GOWBI Area 7 Board Meeting in Lewis Center, Ohio, on 6/5/24 at no cost.

Board approves Personnel Action Forms for **ECDJFS** re **Rebecca Dicker**, Eligibility Specialist Aide 3, employment effective 6/10/24; **Jewlia Jardon**, Investigator 2, employment effective 6/24/24; and **Camme Sharkey**, from Eligibility Specialist 3 to Eligibility Specialist Aide 3 effective 6/3/24.

Board approves Personnel Action Forms for **The Meadows at Osborn Park** re **Doris Green**, full-time LPN, rate increase due to completion of probation effective 5/22/24; **Tacareya Walker**, from part-time STNA to full-time STNA effective 5/26/24; **Kari Fredericks**, full-time STNA, employment effective 6/3/24; **Kara Howard**, full-time STNA, termination during probation effective 5/22/24; **Shelly Snyder**, full-time STNA, resignation effective 5/23/24.

Board approves Personnel Action Form for **DOES** re **John Kromer**, Maintenance Repair I - Water, rate increase due to completion of second year of employment effective 6/13/24.

Received letter from Sheriff Sigsworth re **Transportation of Prisoners Report**, per O.R.C. 325.07.

Received letter from Sheriff Sigsworth re estimate of \$250.00 to be charged for the **gasoline credit cards** for the month of July 2024, per O.R.C. 301.27.

Received cover letter and copy of **yearly ditch maintenance reports** from the Engineer's Office, per O.R.C. Sections 6137.03, 6137.06, and 6137.07.

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

On motion of Mr. Old and second of Mr. Shoffner, Board **adjourns** at 10:35 a.m.; Roll Call: All Aye

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