

ERIE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR SESSION

MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2025

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.

Bid Opening re **Jail Security Cameras** for **Sheriff's Office**; Purchasing Coordinator Emily Galloway opens same:

COMPANY	AMOUNT	BID BOND
Securitas Technology Corp. Fishers, Indiana 46037	\$559,885.00 Alt. \$666,645.00	X
Security Automation Systems Indianapolis, Indiana 46256	\$566,190.00 Alt. \$677,970.00	X
Montgomery Technology Systems, LLC Greenville, Alabama 36037	\$862,800.00 Alt. \$996,700.00	X
Black Creek Integrated Systems Corp. Irondale, Alabama 35210	\$816,252.00 Alt. \$996,632.00	X
AE of Ohio, Inc. Columbus, Ohio 43219	\$515,000.00 Alt. \$555,000.00	X
<hr/> ESTIMATE \$672,000.00 <hr/>		

On motion of Mr. Old and second of Mr. Shoffner, Board receives bids for **Jail Security Cameras** and refers same to the Sheriff, Facilities Director and Purchasing Coordinator for review and recommendation back to the Board; Roll Call: All Aye

County Administrator Hank Solowiej re Various Issues.

Blue Ribbon Commission Meeting - Mr. Solowiej reported the next Blue Ribbon Commission meeting will be held tomorrow, Tuesday, March 11, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Chambers at the Services Center, 2900 Columbus Avenue. The upcoming meeting will focus on police services. The following meeting will be Tuesday, March 18, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Chambers at the Office Building, 247 Columbus Avenue, Downtown where the discussion will be about Purchasing.

Engineer Request for Recruitments - the Board welcomed the new County Engineer Eric Dodrill to the Commission Meeting. Mr. Dodrill was present to discuss two potential job replacements.

- Tax Map - GIS Specialist - Mr. Dodrill stated this position became vacant when Craig Hecht was elected Clerk of Courts. This position works in cooperation with the GIS Administrator Mark Wroblewski, who is an employee of the Auditor's Office. Mr. Dodrill is hopeful that this position will boost the County's investment in GIS technology and increase serving the public in land transfers and parcel management. He also anticipates this position to scan the backlog of records that have been in the vault for many years, giving the public more information available to them online.

The Commissioners commended GIS Administrator Mark Wroblewski on his excellence for building and creating the Geographical Information System (GIS) in Erie County. Looking to the future, the Commissioners believe filling the Tax Map-GIS Specialist is a wise idea to help continue the process of bringing the GIS system into the future. Board approves request to fill position.

- Surveyor - Mr. Dodrill explained that the County Engineer's Office has not had a registered surveyor on staff, other than the County Engineer, since 2019. There are two vacancies within the office, Deputy Engineer Tim Lloyd, P.E. and Mike Farrell, P.E., P.S., and Mr. Dodrill would like to use a selected amount of those funds to hire a registered surveyor. The staff reduction has created a need for additional survey staff to assist with the current workload, as well as, survey needs for existing and projected County projects. The Board approves request to fill position.

Mr. Old commended the Engineer's office and staff on the snow plowing efforts this winter. Mr. Dodrill stated that the Engineer's Office have plowed 26,000 lane miles and used 4,000 tons of salt and 3,600 gallons of salt brine this winter.

On motion of Mr. Shoffner and second of Mr. Old, Board adopts resolution for the purpose of declaring certain items surplus and ordering same to be **discarded or salvaged**; Roll Call: All Aye (#25-66)

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 (#25-67)

Board authorizes expenses for **Craig Hecht**, Clerk of Courts, attending Ohio Clerk of Courts Monthly Meeting in Columbus, Ohio, on 2/18 - 2/19/25 in a total amount of \$143.25.

Board authorizes expenses for **Melissa Pelletier**, Clerk of Courts, attending Ohio Clerk of Courts District Title Meeting in Norwalk, Ohio, on 2/5/25 in a total amount of \$40.00.

Board approves Personnel Action Forms for **ECDJFS** re **Kim Faggionato**, Eligibility Specialist 3, paid administrative leave effective 2/27/25; **Kim Faggionato**, Eligibility Specialist 3, from paid administrative leave to accrued time off effective 3/5/25.

Board approves Personnel Action Forms for **The Meadows at Osborn Park** re **Karsyn Brewer**, part-time STNA, resignation effective 3/2/25; **Aryah Clinton**, full-time STNA, rate increase due to completion of probation effective 2/27/25; **Veshea Lee**, part-time STNA, resignation effective 2/28/25; **Joseph Skala**, full-time STNA, rate increase due to completion of probation effective 2/26/25; **Ryan Novotney**, full-time STNA, rate increase due to completion of probation effective 2/26/25; **Jaylynn Caughell**, part-time STNA, resignation effective 3/1/25; **Beth Justi**, full-time STNA, resignation effective 3/4/25; **Shannon Roberts**, part-time STNA, resignation effective 3/2/25.

Board approves two Requests for Recruitment for **Engineer's Office** re **Surveyor 2**; and **Tax Map-GIS Specialist**.

Received letter from Clerk of Courts Craig Hecht **requesting separation pay from the Compensated Reserve Fund** for employee Lori Foxworth who was terminated from Clerk of Courts effective 2/28/25. Board approves request.

Treatment Advocacy Center Symposium Travel Request Form - Magistrate Tom Dusza was present to answer any questions the commissioners had regarding his travel request to the National AOT Symposium and Learning Collaborative. He mentioned the costs for this training are completely covered by grant funds received for AOT Training from the Alcohol, Drug Addiction, Mental Health, Services Board. Mr. Dusza stated that only several courts in the state of Ohio have AOT Programs. Mr. Old stated that the Commission generally does not approve out-of-state travel. Mr. Old discussed training locations for this program, with the ADAMHS Executive Director, but she stated there are no trainings available in Ohio.

Mr. Shoffner asked what benefits Erie County receives by sending Erie County employees to this training. Mr. Dusza stated the conference provides valuable education for employees that will provide the outpatient treatment, under civil court order, to individuals with severe mental illness who have demonstrated difficulty engaging with treatment on a voluntary basis. When the Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) is implemented, this process can dramatically reduce hospitalization, criminalization and other adverse outcomes for citizens of Erie County.

The Commission asked Mr. Dusza to provide the total cost of the training and resubmit the travel form at Wednesday's Commission Meeting.

On motion of Mr. Old and second of Mr. Shoffner, Board **adjourns** at 10:20 a.m.