

**COMMISSIONERS' MEETING  
MINUTES SUMMARY  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2021  
9:00 A. M.**

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Gregory A. Simmons, President, Present  
Ted S. Mercer, Vice President, Present  
Wade H. Westfall, Member, Present

Appointments

9:00 a.m.      General Business

9:15 a.m.      Executive Session – Personnel/Appointment of Staff

General Business

Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Westfall moved and Mr. Mercer seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented. The Board voted as follows upon roll call: Mr. Simmons, Yea; Mr. Mercer, Yea; Mr. Westfall, Yea.

Mr. Mercer moved and Mr. Westfall seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the December 28, 2020, December 29, 2020 and December 30, 2020 meetings and dispense with the oral reading. The Board voted as follows upon roll call: Mr. Mercer, Yea; Mr. Westfall, Yea; Mr. Simmons, Yea.

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-01-01**

Mr. Westfall moved and Mr. Mercer seconded the motion to authorize and sign a Memorandum of Agreement with Jill Henson for the purpose of conducting guardianship process of service and investigation of those individuals referred by Probate Court, by authority of O.R.C. 2101.11. The cost is \$110 (in-county) or \$120 (out of county) for each investigation completed and \$20 (in-county) or \$30 (out of county) for each additional process of service required, for the period of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. Costs will be paid from Fund 001-182 or Fund 110, depending on the circumstances. The Board voted as follows upon roll call: Mr. Westfall, Yea; Mr. Simmons, Yea; Mr. Mercer, Yea.

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-01-02**

Mr. Mercer moved and Mr. Westfall to authorize and sign the attached Agreement with the Miami County Sheriff for the provision of law enforcement services/a regular uniformed deputy sheriff at the Miami County Animal Shelter eight (8) hours a day, five (5) days per week, to keep the peace, protect the property and to perform other necessary police functions at said Animal Shelter, as outlined in the attached Agreement. The Miami County Animal Shelter will pay the Miami County Sheriff's Office an annual rate of \$88,292.40 which will be paid from Fund 105. The term of this Agreement is January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. The Board voted as follows upon roll call: Mr. Simmons, Yea; Mr. Mercer, Yea; Mr. Westfall, Yea.

RESOLUTION NO. 21-01-03

Mr. Westfall moved and Mr. Mercer seconded the motion to authorize and sign the Employment Verification for William D. Rice, Child Welfare Caseworker 1 for the Department of Job and Family Services. Mr. Rice's first day will be January 11, 2021 at a pay rate of \$17.44 per hour. The Board voted as follows upon roll call: Mr. Mercer, Yea; Mr. Westfall, Yea; Mr. Simmons, Yea.

RESOLUTION NO. 21-01-04

Mr. Mercer moved and Mr. Westfall seconded the motion to rescind Resolution No. 20-12-1656 dated December 29, 2020. The Board voted as follows upon roll call: Mr. Westfall, Yea; Mr. Simmons, Yea; Mr. Mercer, Yea.

RESOLUTION NO. 21-01-05

Mr. Westfall moved and Mr. Mercer seconded the motion to accept the resignation of Abram DeWeese, Children Services Administrator for the Department of Job and Family Services, effective December 30, 2020. Further sign the attached Separation Agreement, Release and Waiver with Mr. DeWeese. The Board voted as follows upon roll call: Mr. Simmons, Yea; Mr. Mercer, Yea; Mr. Westfall, Yea.

RESOLUTION NO. 21-01-06

Mr. Mercer moved and Mr. Westfall seconded the motion to declare the intention to levy a tax in excess of the ten mill limitation to meet the expenses of the Miami County Combined Health District, and request of the Auditor of Miami County, Ohio, certifications under Section 5705.03 O.R.C. Said levy shall be for the purpose of funding and providing for: carrying out the health programs of said District and to provide for its current operating expenses in the advancement and pursuit of the same, as permitted by Section 3709.29 O.R.C., at a total rate and in a total amount which shall not exceed four-tenths (.40) mills for each one dollar (\$1.00) of valuation, which amounts to four cents (\$0.04) for each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of valuation, and which shall be a RENEWAL of an existing levy for like purpose to be levied for a period of ten (10) years, to be first placed upon the tax lists and duplicate for tax year 2021 and continuing through tax year 2030, and to be first collected in calendar year 2022, and to be collected in subsequent calendar years through 2031, all as is permitted under Sections 3709.24 and 5705.191 of the Ohio Revised Code and which proposed levy is a RENEWAL of an existing levy of like purpose and like rate. The Board requests that the Auditor of Miami County, Ohio, certify to said Board the total current tax valuation of the property within the area of the Miami County Combined Health District, which consists of all of Miami County, Ohio, with the exception of the City of Piqua, Ohio, and excluding from the area of said District for these purposes the City of Troy, Ohio, and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by said millage within said area, on the basis of said valuation, all as required by Section 5705.03(B) ORC. The Clerk of Board of Miami County Commissioners is directed to certify a true and correct copy of this Resolution, and to forward the same to the Auditor of Miami County, Ohio, and, further, that said officer request of the Auditor that he cause the certifications alluded to hereinabove, as are required under Section 5705.03(B), to be provided to the Board of Miami County Commissioners as soon as may be practicable hereafter. The Board voted as follows upon roll call: Mr. Mercer, Yea; Mr. Westfall, Yea; Mr. Simmons, Yea.

RESOLUTION NO. 21-01-07

Mr. Westfall moved and Mr. Mercer seconded the motion to appoint Steven Justice to the County Law Library Resources Board (LLRB), said term to be effective immediately and expire December 31, 2024. The Board voted as follows upon roll call: Mr. Westfall, Yea; Mr. Simmons, Yea; Mr. Mercer, Yea.

RESOLUTION NO. 21-01-08 9:15 a.m. Executive Session – Personnel/Appointment of Staff  
Mr. Mercer moved and Mr. Westfall seconded the motion to enter into Executive Session at 9:15 a.m. for the purpose of discussion Personnel/Appointment of Staff. The Board voted as follows upon roll call: Mr. Simmons, Yea; Mr. Mercer, Yea; Mr. Westfall, Yea.

Mr. Westfall moved and Mr. Mercer seconded the motion to adjourn Executive Session at 10:22 a.m. The Board voted as follows upon roll call: Mr. Mercer, Yea; Mr. Westfall, Yea; Mr. Simmons, Yea.

There being no further business to be transacted, the Board of Miami County Commissioners adjourned from the General Session at 10:22 a.m. on this 5th day of January, 2021.

Respectfully submitted:  
Leigh M. Williams, Clerk

*Full minutes of the proceedings from this meeting have been digitally recorded.*