

The Board of Adams County Commissioners met in regular session on March 25, 2019 at the Government Center with the following members present: Ty Pell, Diane Ward and Barbara Moore. The meeting was called to order by President Pell and opened with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Pastor Bob King. Joyce King was also present.

It was moved by Ty Pell and seconded by Diane Ward to approve the minutes.

There was no further discussion and upon the call of the roll the vote resulted as follows:

VOTE: PELL, AYE

WARD, AYE

MOORE, AYE

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**BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT:
 RESOLUTION NO. 2019-121**

It was moved by Diane Ward and seconded by Barbara Moore to approve the bills for payment:
 25-Mar-19

Commissioners			
Duke Energy	Gas Service - CH, Annex 2/11-3/12/19	001-123-5450	\$1,720.92
First Collection Svcs	Early Termination Fee (Frontier)	001-102-5200	\$488.71
OPC Cleaning Supplies	Supplies- CH Govt Ctr Feb 2019	001-123-5300	\$327.05
Stephenson, Donald A	Install Key Pad, Locks at Airport	001-124-5420	\$700.00
		TOTAL	\$3,236.68
Common Pleas			
Adams County Board of Health	HEP A Vaccine	185-168-5420	\$21.00
Intrinsic Interventions	13 Panel Vistaflow Drug Test	185-168-5420	\$521.75
Jones, Crystal	Meal Reimbursement	001-116-5500	\$6.06
Verizon Wireless	Verizon Cell Plans for Recovery Serv	061-302-5420	\$155.37
		TOTAL	\$704.18
Dog & Kennel			
Frontier	Phone and Internet Svc	040-147-5450	\$98.75
		TOTAL	\$98.75
EMS			
American Electric Power	Electric Station #100 Feb-Mar 6, 2019	010-170-5450	\$759.59
Seaman Volunteer Life Squad	Rentals- Housing Ambulances 4/2019	010-170-5765	\$2,500.00
Treasurer - Manchester Village	Contract EMS Services Apr 2019	010-170-5425	\$10,000.00
Treasurer State of Ohio	Drug License Renewal Fee	010-170-5900	\$800.00
Treasurer - West Union Village	EMS Contract Services Apr 2019	010-170-5425	\$10,000.00
Voyager Fleet Systems Inc	Fuel All Stations Feb 2019	010-170-5310	\$1,390.31
Winchester-Wayne Twp Life Sq	Rentals- Housing Ambulances 4/2019	010-170-5765	\$2,500.00
		TOTAL	\$27,949.90
Prosecutor			
Quill	Office Supplies	195-174-5300	\$322.09
Quill	Office Furniture	195-174-5355	\$1,536.91
		TOTAL	\$1,859.00
Recorder			
Ricoh USA	Copier Overage	001-126-5300	\$6.78
		TOTAL	\$6.78
Sheriff			
Agilis Systems LLC	GPS Tracking Service April 19	001-125-5420	\$119.94
Black, Jeffrey L.	Oil Change & Rotors on Van	001-125-5400	\$190.00
OPC Cleaning Supplies	Grill Cleaner, Liners, etc	001-125-5675	\$368.83
OPC Cleaning Supplies	Bathroom Tissue, Gloves, Floor Cleaner	001-125-5675	\$226.20
Red Diamond	Duty Belt, External Vest etc Dep Brewer	001-125-5354	\$549.96

Red Diamond	Radio Pouch, Handcuffs etc Dep Swayne	001-125-5680	\$320.68
Time Warner Cable Enterprises	Cable TV for Jail March 19	001-125-5660	\$110.08
Total ID Solutions Inc	Technical Support CCW ID System	026-333-5420	\$1,285.00
Verizon Wireless	Cellphone Service March 2019	001-125-5420	\$275.68
Walmart Community	Batteries & Ink Cartridges	001-125-5300	\$68.59

TOTAL \$3,514.96

Treasurer

Wells Fargo	Copier Lease	001-107-5420	\$90.00
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TOTAL \$90.00

GRAND TOTAL \$37,460.25

Engineer's Office

Baughman Tile Company	Plastic Culvert Pipe	165-162-5340	\$23,670.92
Baxla Tractor Sales Inc	Seal & Tie Rod End #60	165-162-5340	\$194.60
Baxla Tractor Sales Inc	2 Front Spindles for #60	165-162-5340	\$724.00
CEAO	Bridge Workers & Engineers Conference	165-161-5500	\$477.00
Cleaning Supplies Company	Toilet Paper 1 Cs	165-162-5300	\$96.50
Consurv LLC	Software Carlson 2019 Survey, GIS etc	165-161-5900	\$434.50
Duke Energy	Gas Service	165-162-5450	\$743.37
Grooms, Joyce M	Cleaning Service 3/14/19	165-161-5420	\$75.00
Hanson Aggregates Inc	35.74 Tons #304, 13.44 Tons D Rip Rap	165-162-5340	\$537.08
Hanson Aggregates Inc	5.77 Ton #57 Hilderbran Rd	165-162-5340	\$67.22
Hanson Aggregates Inc	58.91 Tons #57, 73.02 Tons #304	165-162-5340	\$1,576.68
Hudson Fuel Oil Inc	Diesel Fuel & Gasoline	165-162-5340	\$2,198.57
James B Harsha Company	Bolts, Washers, Hyd Hose etc	165-162-5340	\$484.40
Lykins Oil Company	Diesel Fuel & Gasoline	165-162-5340	\$2,374.06
OK Auto Parts	Hydraulic Hose & Coupling	165-162-5340	\$146.69
Raber's Shoes & Saddlery	1 Pr Rubber Boots, D. Davis	165-162-5900	\$80.00
Shupert's Tire Service	2 New Tires Installed & Balanced	165-162-5400	\$313.22
Southeastern Equipment Co Inc	Ball Joints & King Pins for #87 Backhoe	165-162-5340	\$1,402.55
Southeastern Equipment Co Inc	Leaf Bars Blades for Mo Trim on #63	165-162-5340	\$2,128.16
The Water Shop	3 5 Gal Water Jugs	165-161-5900	\$20.00
Time Warner Cable Enterprises	High Speed Internet	165-162-5420	\$99.99

TOTAL \$37,844.51

Job & Family

Adams Co Senior Citizens Council	NET Transportation Feb 19	180-156-5420	\$20,434.40
Adams Rural Electric Coop Inc	Electric Service 2/15-3/15/19	180-156-5450	\$1,029.30
Clemans, Nelson & Assoc Inc	Consulting Services 2/2019	180-156-5420	\$87.50
Duke Energy	Gas Services 2/11-3/12/19	180-156-5450	\$388.16
FRS Transportation	PRS Transportation Feb 19	180-156-5420	\$1,512.00
FRS Transportation	PRS Transportation Feb 19	180-156-5420	\$604.80
Baldwin, Malisa	Meals	180-157-5500	\$15.00
Mason County E Corp	Title XX Gas Vouchers Feb 19	180-157-5465	\$185.00
Mason County E Corp	NET/PRS Gas Vouchers Feb 19	180-156-5420	\$30.00
Mason County E Corp	NET/PRS Gas Vouchers Feb 19	180-156-5420	\$60.00
Ohio CSEA Directors' Assn	Clear Contract Mar 19	175-155-5900	\$27.52
Pitney Bowes Inc	Meter Maint & Rental 4/1/18-3/31/19	180-156-5400	\$769.28
Quill	Explosive GAE/Carbon Monoxide Det	180-156-5730	\$57.99
Vandyke Inc	Copier Maintenance & Repairs	180-156-5400	\$82.25
Young, Melanie	Meals	180-156-5500	\$14.55

TOTAL \$25,297.75

There was no further discussion and upon the call of the roll the vote resulted as follows:

VOTE: PELL, AYE

WARD, AYE

MOORE, AYE



**ACIP FILED FOR ALEXANDER SALAMON AIRPORT:
RESOLUTION NO. 2019-127**

It was moved by Barbara Moore and seconded by Ty Pell to approve the Airport Capital Improvement Program (ACIP) for the Adams County Alexander Salamon Airport for FY 2020 – FY 2029 in accordance with Federal Aviation Administration and Ohio Department of Transportation, Division of Aviation regulations.

There was no further discussion and upon the call of the roll the vote resulted as follows:

VOTE: PELL, AYE

WARD, AYE

MOORE, AYE

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ECD Director Holly Johnson discussed the following issues with the board:

- Adams County Training Center update
- Get Worker FIT program

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JFS Director Angela Richmond discussed the following issues with the board:

- Signing CSEA IV-D documents completed along with follow up discussion planned
- Personnel

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The first of two public hearings for the FY 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) was held in the Conference Room of the Government Center at 10:00 a.m. with the following individuals present: Michael Phipps, and Rae Ann Inskip, Manchester Village Council Members; Oliver Township Trustee Quintin Baker; Liberty Township Trustee Wendell Swearingen; Wayne Township Trustees Steve Leonard and Thomas Downing; Jerry Kirker, West Union Village; Tiffin Township Trustee Richard Dryden; Rick Adamson, Adams County Regional Water District; Wayne Hanson, Bratton Township Trustee; Tom Perdue, Franklin Township Trustee, Becky Sanders, Franklin Township Trustee; Jessica R. Dooley, Adams County Public Library; Jayme Eldridge, Village of Peebles and Winchester, ABCAP Executive Director Alvin Norris, and ECD Director Holly Johnson and Administrative Assistant Amanda Fraley. In addition to the CDBG and CHIP programs other grant information was presented.

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Alan Bird, CEO, Adams County Regional Medical Center, discussed the following issues with the commissioners:

- LifeNet contract payment
- Hospital board proceeding with plans to become 501 (C) (3), also will no longer be eligible for sales tax renewal
- Finances improving due in part to renegotiation of insurance and provider contracts
- Mr. Bird was informed that sales tax funds continue to be held in escrow for the hospital in anticipation of debt consolidation gap funding-these funds are available to the hospital upon their request

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EMS Chief Matthew Carey and Administrative Assistant Linda Steele discussed the following issues with the board:

- Brush Creek Motorsports Complex Emergency Medical Support contract
- Personnel
- E911 Technical Advisory Committee meeting
- Departmental budget
- Consultant contract

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- Adams County Children Services 2018 Annual Report
- Dog and Kennel Department Activity Report for week ending 3-15-19
- Animal Humane Agent Report for weeks ending 3-17-19 and 3-24-19

Any increase in salary also increases employee benefits for OPERS and Medicare. Adams County is the only designated “Distressed County” in the Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission due to the major loss of property tax and Medicaid Sales tax revenues. The sales tax revenue will assist the budget in retaining services and personnel.

2. Ohio Revised Code allows for voter approval at an election or a resolution of the Board of Commissioners to implement a sales tax. The purpose of the “Public Hearing” is to obtain public opinion on whether or not the sales tax proposal should be implemented. The Board of Commissioners has not taken action and the O.R.C. alternatives will be discussed, and a decision will be brought to a vote whether or not to take it to the voters or implementing it according to Ohio Revised Code guidelines after the conclusion of the two separate public hearings. If a decision is made to implement the sales tax through a resolution of the Board, registered voters will have an opportunity to submit a referendum requesting the Board of Commissioners place the question of the sales tax on the ballot. Either way, the voters can have an opportunity to cast their vote on the question of the sales tax adoption.
3. ACRMC has not received the sales tax revenues since the spring of 2017. The Board of Commissioners and the ACRMC Hospital Board agreed to an Escrow Account for the sales tax revenues. This agreement came to fruition due to the agreement with the county to assist the hospital by obtaining a loan on behalf of the hospital for re-organization to a private entity. This agreement ensured the county would not be subject to paying a debt for the hospital if the sales tax experienced a decrease for the remaining period of the term of the tax. This funding is still being held in the escrow account by the county while the ACRMC Hospital Board is still in the process of re-organization. Hospital personnel has advised me of the profit the hospital has already experienced this year, without the benefit of the sales tax revenues. The minute journal of the Board of Commissioners also has documentation that ACRMC administration projected that the sales tax would not be needed by the third year of the levy.
4. This sales tax will not be an increase, just a continuation of the current amount. The sales tax is paid by everyone that purchases a taxable item compared to property tax which is a sole burden to property owners. Sales tax is an across the board tool to assist with the provision of government services. This tax is not only paid by Adams County residents, but also those that travel through and/or visit Adams County. Adams County has unfortunately experienced two major setbacks due to the loss of DP&L property tax and the Medicaid Sales tax. I commend the elected officials and department heads for their cooperation, understanding, and collaborative efforts for working with the Board of Commissioners by cutting budgets due to the loss of revenues in order to ensure the required services are still available to all Adams County residents today.

Testimony was received from Leanne Liston in favor of the levy stating that budgetary cuts which would result in loss of staff in the Clerk of Courts office due to budgetary cuts would be detrimental. An additional hearing will be scheduled to allow for additional public comment and review of the issue of the sales tax repurposing.

A third public hearing is being planned to allow for additional public comment and review of the issue of the sales tax repurposing.



Auditor David Gifford discussed the possible allocation of a portion of funds from the proposed sales tax for emergency E-911 communications.



COURT HOUSE SECURITY IMPLEMENTATION DISCUSSED:

The board met with Sheriff Kim Rogers to review the final phase of implementation of the court house security in which the general public and courthouse staff will enter and exit the courthouse through the main entrance. Side and back door entrances will be locked. These measures will commence April 1, 2019. Also discussed was staffing requirements and scheduling. Also, Sheriff Rogers was updated regarding safety programs afforded to law enforcement agencies through the Corsa insurance program.



BRANDI LANE PRELIMINARY ROAD VIEWING HELD:

The board held a preliminary road viewing of Brandi Lane which has been petitioned by Sam Kimmerly and others to be established as a public road in Oliver Township Road System. The matter was tabled and will be discussed further.

ECD Director Holly Johnson informed the board of progress being made in clean-up efforts on a property determined by a township to be a nuisance.

**SANDY SPRINGS ROADSIDE PARK QUIT CLAIM DEED FILED:
RESOLUTION NO. 2019-135**

It was moved by Diane Ward and seconded by Barbara Moore to approve a quit claim deed to transfer ownership of the Sandy Springs Roadside Park to the Green Township Trustees as presented by Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Dana Whalen.

There was no further discussion and upon the call of the roll the vote resulted as follows:

VOTE: PELL, AYE WARD, AYE MOORE, AYE

**E911 TECHNICAL ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER RESIGNS:
RESOLUTION NO. 2019-136**

It was moved by Barbara Moore and seconded by Ty Pell to accept the resignation of Travis Baker as a member of the Adams County E-911 Technical Advisory effective March 25, 2019. Vote: All aye.

There was no further discussion and upon the call of the roll the vote resulted as follows:

VOTE: PELL, AYE WARD, AYE MOORE, AYE

**E911 TECHNICAL ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER APPOINTED:
RESOLUTION NO. 2019-137**

It was moved by Diane Ward and seconded by Barbara Moore to appoint Rick Bowman as a member of the Adams County E-911 Technical Advisory effective March 25, 2019.

There was no further discussion and upon the call of the roll the vote resulted as follows:

VOTE: PELL, AYE WARD, AYE MOORE, AYE

**SALES TAX 3RD HEARING SCHEDULED:
RESOLUTION NO. 2019-138**

It was moved by Diane Ward and seconded by Barbara Moore to schedule a third public hearing on a proposed resolution to levy a one-half of one percent (1/2% or 0.5%) sales tax levy effective April 1, 2020, to change the purpose from Adams County Regional Medical Center permanent improvements to County general fund. The hearing will be conducted on Monday, April 8, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. at the office of the Board at 215 N. Cross Street, Suite 102 West Union, Ohio.
PO# 671

There was no further discussion and upon the call of the roll the vote resulted as follows:

VOTE: PELL, AYE WARD, AYE MOORE, AYE

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

It was moved by Ty Pell and Barbara Moore to adjourn.



Board of Commissioners

Of

Adams County, Ohio

Ty R. Pell, President

Teresa Diane Ward, Vice-President

Barbara A. Moore, Member

Linda Mendenhall, Clerk