

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-01643**

In the matter of approval of prior meeting ) County Commissioners' Office,  
minutes from the regular session held on ) Wood County, Ohio  
December 20, 2022. ) December 22, 2022

*WHEREAS*, in accordance with §121.22 (“Sunshine Law”), and §305.11, Revised Code of Ohio, “immediately upon the opening of each day’s session of the board of county commissioners, the records of the proceedings of the session of the previous day shall be read, or provided to each commissioner in written form, by the clerk of the board and, if correct, approved and signed by the commissioners”; and

*WHEREAS*, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of December 2022 with the following members present: THEODORE H. BOWLUS, CRAIG LAHOTE and DORIS I. HERRINGSHAW; and

*WHEREAS*, the Commissioners’ Agenda for December 20, 2022, was as follows:

*I. 9:19 a.m. -- Reading of minutes from preceding meeting*

Commissioner Herringshaw called the meeting to order and requested the reading of the prior meeting minutes. Administrator Carri Stanley, Assistant Administrator Dan Scherger, Clerk Sandy Long, Family and Children First Council Coordinator Melissa Coe, and Wood County residents Kristen Leverton and Carmen Ortega were also present.

*II. -- Consider Approval of Resolutions immediately following item I  
See Resolution Listing*

The personnel actions submitted were from Job and Family Services for a request to post 2 full-time Protective Services Worker 2 positions; from Wood Haven to acknowledge prior service for RN Shift Supervisor Emily Aurand, medical leave without pay for LPN Vanessa Clark-Humes, appointment of full-time Environmental Services Aide Elizabeth Ish, renewal of intermittent status for STNA Olethia Ketchum.

Ms. Stanley mentioned that resolution 22-01627 is regarding a payment to part-time deputies and court constables at the courthouse receiving an OPERS pension. The payment would be used to offset the cost of health insurance. She noted that last year the payment to offset the health insurance premium costs was \$800 (pre-Medicare) and \$300 (Medicare-eligible). This year, after further review, the recommendation is for \$750 and \$250 respectively. The Commissioners agreed to this change. (Sentinel-Tribune reporter Marie Thomas entered at 9:28 a.m.)

The Commissioners thanked Ms. Ortega for her willingness to be reappointed to the Great Lakes Community Action Partnership (GLCAP) Board of Directors for another term. Ms. Ortega stated that she initially started with GLCAP by utilizing their services for her young son in 2009. She stayed involved and served on the Board as a low-income representative for many years before becoming a Commissioners’ appointee.

Ms. Leverton stated that she is the Program Coordinator for CASA. She mentioned that she has seen the ramifications of child abuse and neglect and is hopeful that serving on the Ohio Children’s Trust Fund Regional Prevention Council will give her more insight regarding the prevention of child abuse and neglect. The Commissioners thanked her for her willingness to serve on this Board.

Commissioner LaHote moved to approve the resolutions on the attached listing including resolutions 22-01604 (appointment of Ms. Leverton to the Ohio Children’s Trust Fund) and 22-01642 (appointment of Ms. Ortega to the GLCAP Board) and with the exception of resolution 22-

01625 (adopting appropriations for 2023) which will be held until later in the day's session. Commissioner Herringshaw seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Commissioner Herringshaw moved to recess until the next scheduled meeting. Commissioner Bowlus seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried at 9:35 a.m.

III. -- Staff Reports

Adopting Wood County Appropriations for 2023 (9:45 a.m.) – Commissioner Herringshaw called the meeting back to order with Commissioners LaHote and Bowlus, Ms. Stanley, Mr. Scherger, Ms. Long, Ms. Thomas, Fiscal Manager Dee Stewart and BG Independent News journalist Jan McLaughlin present. Mr. Scherger addressed resolution 22-01625, adopting the 2023 appropriations. He stated the total appropriations are \$50,151,039, representing a 5.26% increase over the 2022 appropriations. He noted the first full payment of \$1,217,125 for the jail expansion project is included in the 2023 appropriations. Excluding this payment, the year-to-year appropriation increase would be 2.55%. Mr. Scherger stated that revenue remains strong with sales tax increasing by 8.08% and casino tax revenue increasing as well. He stated that attracting and retaining employees continues to be difficult. A 4% wage increase for employees is included in the appropriations to address the rising cost of inflation and to assist with filling vacant positions.

Commissioner LaHote moved to approve resolution 22-01625 (adopting 2023 appropriations) and Commissioner Bowlus seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

IV. -- Open Forum Citizens Comments/Concerns




There were no comments from the public. Commissioner Bowlus moved to adjourn and Commissioner LaHote seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried at 10:00 a.m.

*The Board of County Commissioners will attempt to provide reasonable accommodations for any disabled person. Requests for special accommodations shall be made to the Office of the County Commissioners twenty-four (24) hours prior to the time such accommodations are required; now therefore, be it*


*RESOLVED*, by the Board of County Commissioners of Wood County, Ohio, that the foregoing minutes be and are hereby approved; and be it further

*RESOLVED*, that these proceedings shall be kept on file in the office of the County Commissioners and open at all times to public inspection.

Commissioner LaHote moved and Commissioner Bowlus seconded the approval of the resolution, and the roll being called on its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

DR. THEODORE H. BOWLUS	<u>yes</u>	<u></u>
CRAIG LAHOTE	<u>yes</u>	<u></u>
DORIS I. HERRINGSHAW, Ed.D.	<u>yes</u>	<u></u>

*Board of County Commissioners,  
Wood County, Ohio*

Attest:   
Clerk of said Board

Resolution	Date	Description	PO	Cost
22-01604	12/20/2022	APPOINTING KRISTEN LEVERTON TO THE OHIO CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND REGIONAL PREVENTION COUNCIL (TERM EXP. 12/31/2024) (TABLED 12/15/2022)		
22-01621	12/20/2022	APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR SESSION HELD ON 12/15/2022		
22-01622	12/20/2022	AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS		
22-01623	12/20/2022	AUTHORIZE VARIOUS PERSONNEL ACTIONS		
22-01624	12/20/2022	PAYMENT FOR SERVICES - DECEMBER 2022 WOOD HAVEN BUS REIMBURSEMENT		
22-01625	12/20/2022	ADOPTING APPROPRIATIONS FOR WOOD COUNTY, OHIO, FOR THE YEAR 2023, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023 ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023.		
22-01626	12/20/2022	CONFERRING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR WITH THE POWERS AND DUTIES PURSUANT TO THE OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 305.30 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023.		
22-01627	12/20/2022	AUTHORIZING MONTHLY PAYMENT TO PART-TIME DEPUTIES/CONSTABLES RECEIVING AN OPERS PENSION WHILE RE-EMPLOYED BY WOOD COUNTY TO OFFSET COST OF HEALTH INSURANCE		
22-01628	12/20/2022	AUTHORIZE CONTRACT WITH GEDDIS PAVING & EXCAVATING, INC. FOR THE PY20 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) VILLAGE OF CUSTAR SOUTH SUPERIOR STREET IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT.		
22-01629	12/20/2022	AUTHORIZE CONTRACT WITH BLOOM TOWNSHIP FOR PARTICIPATION IN WOOD COUNTY'S EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM.		
22-01630	12/20/2022	AUTHORIZE CONTRACT WITH PERRY TOWNSHIP FOR PARTICIPATION IN WOOD COUNTY'S EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM.		
22-01631	12/20/2022	AUTHORIZE CONTRACT WITH MIDDLETON TOWNSHIP FOR PARTICIPATION IN WOOD COUNTY'S EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM.		
22-01632	12/20/2022	AUTHORIZE CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF NORTHWOOD FOR PARTICIPATION IN WOOD COUNTY'S EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM.		
22-01633	12/20/2022	COMTE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY - AUTHORIZING LABOR AND MATERIALS TO PREP AND PAINT THE WOOD COUNTY COMMON PLEAS COURT ADMINISTRATION OFFICE, PURSUANT TO BCC APPROVED CONTRACT NO. 22-1608, DATED 12/15/2022.	134943	\$20,640.00
22-01634	12/20/2022	ACKNOWLEDGING ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR AND INCORPORATING SAID ACTIONS INTO THE JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS AUTHORIZING AN ADJUSTMENT TO APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE WORKERS COMPENSATION FUND (040).		
22-01635	12/20/2022	AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH OHIO MACHINERY COMPANY (D/B/A OHIO CAT) TO PROVIDE LABOR AND MATERIALS FOR 2023 PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE ON THE EMERGENCY GENERATORS LOCATED AT THE WOOD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, JUSTICE CENTER, SHERIFF'S OFFICE, JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER/JUVENILE RESIDENTIAL CENTER, HIGHWAY GARAGE AND WOOD HAVEN.		
22-01636	12/20/2022	AUTHORIZING EXTENSION OF EMERGENCY STAFFING PAY FOR WOOD HAVEN EMPLOYEES.		
22-01637	12/20/2022	AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY STAFFING PAY FOR WOOD HAVEN EMPLOYEES FOR DECEMBER 24-26, 2022		
22-01638	12/20/2022	AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY STAFFING PAY FOR WOOD HAVEN EMPLOYEES FOR DECEMBER 31, 2022 - JANUARY 2, 2023		
22-01639	12/20/2022	ADJUSTMENT TO APPROPRIATIONS - VARIOUS FUNDS		
22-01640	12/20/2022	FRANK SALES, INC. - AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF (1) FRIGIDAIRE REFRIGERATOR AND (1) MICROWAVE FOR THE WOOD COUNTY COMMON PLEAS COURT #2.	134944	\$1,117.00

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22-01641	12/20/2022	SOUND SOLUTIONS OF OHIO - AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF LISTEN ASSIST EQUIPMENT FOR THE WOOD COUNTY COMMON PLEAS COURT COURTROOMS 1, 2, AND 4, DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT, PROBATE COURT, AND JUVENILE COURT.	134945	\$21,806.00
22-01642	12/20/2022	REAPPOINTING CARMEN ORTEGA TO THE GREAT LAKES COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE 2023 CALENDAR YEAR (TERM EXP. 12/31/2023)		

**ATTENDANCE ROSTER**

The following persons were in attendance at a public meeting/hearing of the Board of County

Commissioners on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of December, 20 22.

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**NAME**

**DEPARTMENT/ADDRESS**

Kristen M Leventon

CASA Dept/ Juvenile Court

CARMEN ORTEGA

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