

DECEMBER 11 – MEETING 50
VOLUME 26

The Ross County Board of Commissioners met on this day, December 11, 2023, in regular session.

Commissioner Dwight Garrett called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., with Commissioners James E. Lowe and Jack A. Everson, in attendance.

Commissioner Garrett led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES APPROVED

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, the minutes of the December 4, 2023, meeting, be approved as submitted.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, absent. Motion carried.

BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, the following bills of the county be approved for payment:

DEPARTMENT	PURCHASE ORDER	TOTAL VALUE	DEPARTMENT	PURCHASE ORDER	TOTAL VALUE
Auditor	2023000177	225	Law Library	2023000698	69.68
Auditor	2023000177	300	Litter Control	2023000725	37.03
Auditor	2023000177	472.5	Litter Control	2023000768	589.31
Auditor	2023000451	751117.05	Litter Control	2023000725	73.5
Auditor	2023000180	125	Planning Commission	2023001641	15
Auditor	2023000179	487.5	Planning Commission	2023001641	34.5
Auditor	2023000177	495	Planning Commission	2023001683	4481
Auditor	2023000177	465	Planning Commission	2023001683	7422
Auditor	2023000177	225	Planning Commission	2023001641	69.57
Auditor	2023000177	300	Probate Court	2023000273	400
Auditor	2023000177	300	Probate Court	2023000273	200
Auditor	2023000177	300	Probate Court	2023000270	472.95
Auditor	2023002364	2750	Probate Court	2023000270	386.5
Auditor	2023000462	29	Probate Court	2023000267	24.99
Auditor	2023000071	113.04	Prosecuting Attorney	2023000649	29.99
Auditor	2023000073	473	Recorder	2023002189	6557.06
Auditor	2023000177	1050	Recorder	2023002188	265
Auditor	2023000177	555	Recorder	2023000534	7.89
Auditor	2023000177	1732.5	Recorder	2023000533	2541.6
Auditor	2023000177	187.5	Recorder	2023002183	58
Auditor	2023000177	1592.5	Ross County Court System	2023002326	321.98
Auditor	2023000065	4963.54	Ross County Court System	2023002327	350
Automatic Data Processing Bk	2023000251	3803.91	Ross County Court System	2023002328	38.25
Board of Elections	2023002318	20	Ross County Court System	2023002330	189.99
Board of Elections	2023002331	88.2	Ross County Court System	2023000657	2565.13
Board of Elections	2023002332	57.56	Ross County Court System	2023000539	302.84
Board of Elections	2023002251	191	Ross County Court System	2023002176	277.08
Building Department	2023000553	162.53	Ross County Court System	2023002354	4637.81
Building Department	2023000545	333.97	Ross County Court System	2023002355	1702.43
Building Department	2023001787	28.46	Ross County Court System	2023002356	1426.36
Building Department	2023001528	1.43	Ross County Court System	2023002362	165.15
Clerk of Courts	2023002304	1375	Ross County Court System	2023002361	60
Commissioners	2023002046	22300	Ross County Court System	2023002360	50
Commissioners	2023002050	30	Ross County Court System	2023002359	78.64
Commissioners	2023000570	48339.81	Ross County Court System	2023000540	398
Commissioners	2023000518	190.16	Ross County Court System	2023002176	908.18
Commissioners	2023000582	7.35	Ross County Court System	2023002357	362.25
Commissioners	2023000622	444.8	Sheriff	2023000310	2330.08
Commissioners	2023000630	236.82	Sheriff	2023000320	13
Commissioners	2023000642	238.26	Sheriff	2023000303	333.9
Commissioners	2023002316	100	Sheriff	2023000338	111.3
Commissioners	2023000617	1080.33	Sheriff	2023000323	278.3
Commissioners	2023000616	339.44	Sheriff	2023000329	55.65
Commissioners	2023000580	198.91	Sheriff	2023000318	15215.26
Commissioners	2023000561	11739.32	Sheriff	2023001448	344.21
Commissioners	2023000611	6.11	Sheriff	2023000348	53.98
Commissioners	2023000579	1050.54	Sheriff	2023000320	507.95
Commissioners	2023002341	361.14	Sheriff	2023000348	1140.89
Commissioners	2023000637	1115.51	Sheriff	2023000327	79.02
Commissioners	2023000516	107.54	Sheriff	2023000348	39.44
Commissioners	2023000515	26.87	Sheriff	2023000348	822.15
Commissioners	2023002343	774.07	Sheriff	2023000348	1824
Commissioners	2023000629	90.78	Sheriff	2023000343	879.75
Commissioners	2023002346	544.65	Sheriff	2023000334	791.16
Commissioners	2023000571	22.5	Sheriff	2023002303	2262.34
Commissioners	2023002286	1407.69	Sheriff	2023000311	5032.76
Commissioners	2023001188	564.55	Sheriff	2023000332	1000
Common Pleas Court #1	2023002321	20	Sheriff	2023000345	76.84
Common Pleas Court #1	2023002322	35	Sheriff	2023000345	107.29
Common Pleas Court #1	2023002323	12.22	Sheriff	2023000345	177.8
Common Pleas Court #1	2023002324	250	Sheriff	2023000345	1040.25
Common Pleas Court #2	2023000439	252.55	Sheriff	2023000345	296.54
Coroner	2023000944	135	Sheriff	2023000345	1095
Coroner	2023000817	659.05	Sheriff	2023000345	866.58
Coroner	2023002025	182.03	Sheriff	2023000345	1294.76
Coroner	2023000160	525	Sheriff	2023000320	142
Coroner	2023001921	43.75	Sheriff	2023000320	154.49
Coroner	2023001508	36.54	Sheriff	2023000320	2819
Coroner	2023000006	30	Sheriff	2023000320	560.23
Dog Warden	2023000264	134.07	Sheriff	2023000320	777.95
Emergency Management	2023000256	350	Sheriff	2023000320	4598
Emergency Management	2023000256	26.4	Sheriff	2023000320	105.79
Emergency Management	2023001783	175	Sheriff	2023000313	1.94
Emergency Management	2023000260	111.91	Sheriff	2023000313	511
Emergency Management	2023000252	149.48	Sheriff	2023000313	158
Emergency Management	2023000256	210	Sheriff	2023000305	377.5
Emergency Management	2023000258	79	Sheriff	2023000304	51.5
Engineer	2023000994	384	Sheriff	2023000306	2030
Engineer	2023002268	774.97	Sheriff	2023000330	1922.5
Engineer	2023002268	1064.18	Sheriff	2023001679	727.32
Engineer	2023001983	917.44	Sheriff	2023000850	71.51
Engineer	2023002268	409.36	Sheriff	2023001679	275
Engineer	2023002070	6450	Sheriff	2023001679	1239.41
Engineer	2023000138	495	Sheriff	2023000850	262.3
Engineer	2023002268	332.99	Treasurer	2023000272	244.22
Engineer	2023002274	75000	Treasurer	2023000272	21.32
Engineer	2023002268	661.98	Treasurer	2023000272	25.57
Engineer	2023002268	1148.98	Veterans Service Commissi	2023002309	90
Engineer	2023002184	340.2	Veterans Service Commissi	2023000109	62.22
Engineer	2023000511	175	Veterans Service Commissi	2023000095	1616.31
Engineer	2023001866	7700	Veterans Service Commissi	2023000101	6855.88
Engineer	2023001971	8782.54	Veterans Service Commissi	2023002334	338
Engineer	2023002268	57.09	Veterans Service Commissi	2023001522	1038.09
Engineer	2023002268	622.75	Veterans Service Commissi	2023002317	700
Engineer	2023002268	1419.47	Veterans Service Commissi	2023002236	72.24
Engineer	2023002268	1734.52	Veterans Service Commissi	2023000296	776.89
Engineer	2023002311	660	Veterans Service Commissi	2023001121	295.63
Engineer	2023002224	182.59	Veterans Service Commissi	2023000298	618.76
Juvenile Court	2023000277	10000	Veterans Service Commissi	2023002320	500
Juvenile Court	2022000556	39446.02	Veterans Service Commissi	2023000107	200
Juvenile Court	2023000274	1150	Veterans Service Commissi	2023000670	100
Juvenile Court	2023000276	38511.06	Veterans Service Commissi	2023000670	150
Juvenile Court	2023000274	1100	Veterans Service Commissi	2023001860	1734.85
Juvenile Court	2023000284	258.35	VOCA	2023002002	9.95
Juvenile Court	2023000284	200.34	VOCA	2023002001	4.17
Juvenile Court	2023001932	715	VOCA	2023002003	23.78
Juvenile Court	2023000525	325	VOCA	2023002337	24.85
Juvenile Court	2023000523	690	VOCA	2023002338	217.35
			VOCA	2023002002	146.98
					\$1,179,055.53

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

THEN & NOW CERTIFICATES APPROVED

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners approve "Then & Now" Certificates, dated November 27 thru December 11, 2023, in the amount of \$292,818.40 prepared by the Office of the Ross County Auditor and certified by the auditor as to the appropriation of funds for the purpose of encumbering the sum of the contract(s) or order(s) outlined therein, or the imminent collection of funds for credit to the appropriated fund(s) of the county, and as to the availability of funds for transfer within the appropriate department(s).

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, \$14,000.00 be transferred from account code 100-02-41-7014 Group Ins. Auditor MH, into account code 100-33-00-7001 Employee Salary, per a request of December 11, 2023 from the Ross County Auditor.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, \$1,000.00 be transferred from account code 100-52-61-7116 Expenses Committee, into account code 100-52-61-7101 Outreach & Advertising, per a request of Veterans Services, 2023 from the Ross County Veterans Services.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, \$3,983.23 be transferred from the following account codes, per a request of December 11, 2023 from the Ross County Sheriff’s Office.

ACCOUNT TITLE	ACCOUNT CODE	ACCOUNT TITLE	ACCOUNT CODE	AMOUNT
Salaries	420-29-04-7001	Reimbursement	420-29-04-7800	\$ 2,441.25
PERS	420-29-04-7012	Reimbursement	420-29-04-7800	\$ 454.55
Workers Comp	420-29-04-7013	Reimbursement	420-29-04-7800	\$ 403.91
Medicare	420-29-04-7017	Reimbursement	420-29-04-7800	\$ 45.34
Other Expense	420-29-04-7550	Reimbursement	420-29-04-7800	\$ 638.18

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, \$34,100.00 be transferred from the following account codes, per a request of December 11, 2023 from the Ross Co. Juvenile Probate Court.

ACCOUNT TITLE	ACCOUNT CODE	ACCOUNT TITLE	ACCOUNT CODE	AMOUNT
IV-E Salary	100-18-21-7001	Juvenile Salary	100-18-00-7001	\$ 15,000.00
IV-E PERS	100-18-21-7012	Probate PERS	100-19-00-7012	\$ 4,000.00
JPD Salary	100-18-52-7001	Probate Salary	100-19-00-7001	\$ 10,000.00
IV-E Salary	100-18-21-7001	Probate Salary	100-19-00-7001	\$ 5,000.00
Juvenile Medicare	100-18-00-7017	Probate Medicare	100-19-00-7017	\$ 100.00

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, \$4,630.52 be transferred from the following account codes, per a request of December 11, 2023 from the Ross County Sheriff’s Office.

ACCOUNT TITLE	ACCOUNT CODE	ACCOUNT TITLE	ACCOUNT CODE	AMOUNT
Equipment	100-20-00-7200	Salaries	100-20-00-7001	\$ 2,473.76
Travel	100-20-00-7100	Salaries	100-20-00-7001	\$ 141.76
Supplies	100-20-00-7150	Salaries	100-20-00-7001	\$ 1,665.00
Group Insurance	100-20-00-7014	Medicare	100-20-00-7017	\$ 350.00

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, \$170.75 be appropriated from Marine Patrol Fund into account code 420-29-04-7800 Reimbursment, per a request of December 11, 2023 from the Ross County Sheriff.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

ASSET DISPOSAL

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners approve an Asset Disposal Form submitted by the Ross County Sheriff for disposal of the following surplus property of the county as indicated:

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	TAG/ SERIAL	METHOD OF DISPOSAL
1	Sony Recorder	05088	Surplus Property
1	Small Tower	003977	Surplus Property

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, the Ross County Board of Commissioners approve an Asset Disposal Form submitted by the Ross County Sheriff for disposal of the following surplus property of the county as indicated:

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	TAG/ SERIAL	METHOD OF DISPOSAL
1	Power Washer	2309	Surplus Property

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

2022/2023 WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN FUND PAYMENT REQUEST

Mr. Everson moved, Mr. Lowe seconded, Mr. Garrett be authorized to sign, on the Commissioners behalf, two pay requests from D & D Excavating for 4 septic replacements at a cost of \$72,925.94.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT AD FOR DEPUTY DOG WARDEN

Mr. Lowe moved, Mr. Everson seconded, to approve running an ad for the position of Ross County Deputy Dog Warden.

On call of the roll, the vote was: Mr. Everson, yes; Mr. Lowe, yes; Mr. Garrett, yes. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

Sheriff Lavender discussed changing radio companies. Currently the Sheriff’s Department uses a local company B&C Communications. They have


received a quote from Link Layer which is markedly lower in cost and will provide, what the Sheriff believes will be better service. Once they have received a contract the Commissioners will review and sign.

Budget Review Session

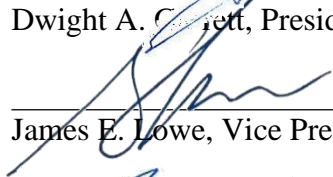
ADJOURN

Mr. Dwight A. Garrett, President, adjourned the regular meeting of December 11, 2023, at 4:00 p.m.

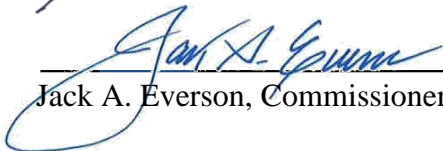
Board of Commissioners of Ross County, Ohio



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