

**Regular Meeting #38 - 2024  
Fairfield County Commissioners' Office  
September 3, 2024**

**Review Meeting**

The Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. at 210 E. Main St., Lancaster, OH. Commissioner Levacy called the meeting to order, and the following Commissioners were present: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy. County employees present: County Administrator, Aundrea Cordle; Clerk to the Board of Commissioners, Rochelle Menningen; Communications and Information Coordinator, Bennett Niceswanger; Budget Director, Bart Hampson; JFS Director, Corey Clark; IT Director, Dan Neeley; Economic & Workforce Development Director, Rick Szabrak; Utilities Director, Tony Vogel; Assistant Prosecuting Attorneys, Austin Lines and Steven Darnell; Auditor, Dr. Carri Brown; Engineer, Jeremiah Upp; Regional Planner, Josh Hillberry; Chief Deputy Treasurer, Michael Kaper; Sheriff's Deputy, Kevin Romine; Budget Officer, Staci Knisley; FCFC Manager, Tiffany Wilson; EMA Planner, Tiffany Nash; and JFS Deputy Director, Heather O'Keefe. Also in attendance: Sherry Pymer, Ray Stemen, Jeannette Curtis, Anna Tobin, Bryan Everitt, Kathy Brooks, Susan Mauger, and Keith Mauger.

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**Welcome**

Commissioner Levacy opened the meeting by welcoming everyone in attendance.

**Update on Bond Financing**

Michael Burns with Baird spoke about bond refinancing options. He presented five options based on how the county would like to repay the bonds.

Commissioner Levacy asked about the timeframe related to bond savings opportunities and interest rates.

Mr. Burns replied that the Ohio Revised Code provides ninety days prior to bond maturity and that interest rates may fluctuate a ¼%, but that the rate is based on the federal governments' actions.

Commissioner Davis, Mr. Hampson, and Ms. Knisley discussed the General Fund's 2025 carryover and recent appropriations and encumbrances.

Commissioner Davis stated that the two issues to consider are timing and whether to put additional monies on capital improvements. He spoke about the five and ten year financial forecasts of the County and added that the County needed to take any action possible to help the five year forecast.

Mr. Burns stated that the County's Treasurer's Office has been earning a lot from investment interest, but the earnings will drop as the federal reserve lowers rates.

Auditor Brown spoke about the GFOA benchmark and best practices related to the county's cash balance. She added that the County had recently filed its annual financial report and that the County's finances are strong.

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Commissioner Davis stated that the bond financing options are worthy of consideration and that it is healthy fiscal management to be aware of potential financial problems and solutions for the out years.

Commissioner Levacy stated that it is worth an additional conversation.

Mr. Burns stated he is happy to have another conversation regarding the bonds.

Mr. Kaper spoke about investments with STAR Ohio and liquid assets.

Commissioner Davis stated that the Commission is aware that the interest earnings are a transient number that will move as the federal governments moves.

**Listen & Learn, Hunger Awareness**

Jeanette Curtis, Executive Director of Fairfield County 211

Ms. Curtis spoke about H3, the county's hunger prevention alliance. Hunger is a more complex issue, and the USDA has identified it as food insecurity with is a lack of healthy food. Unemployment, poverty, transportation barriers, communication barriers, and income shocks are all components of food insecurity. Feeding America puts together a yearly report on food insecurities and 63% of people with food insecurity are above eligibility for SNAP benefits. In 2023, calls to 211 skyrocketed to 30,327 calls, and 36% of all calls received were food related. The number one referral we have issued over the last 15 years is for food.

Commissioner Davis asked what Ms. Curtis to explain what is like to go to a food pantry.

Ms. Curtis replied that every pantry has a different process. Some tell you to come in, and some have you make an appointment. You do not have to show proof of income, but you must sign a declaration of need. The H3 alliance represents hunger, health and hope. 211 has an interpretation service and assists with communication to local pantries. The H3 alliance offers classes on budgeting, shopping for healthy foods, and more. Hunger Awareness Month aims to educate people on food insecurities and on how to get involved, volunteer, or donate. Ms. Curtis stated that offering transportation to a grocery store, picking up groceries, and checking on your neighbors, are some ways you can help. You can also help educate people about hunger and share recipes with people on items they may receive from a food pantry.

Commissioner Levacy stated that inflation is effecting everyone, especially those that are less fortunate.

Commissioner Fix stated that he struggles with the fact that such a large percentage of people in Fairfield County have food related issues.

Commissioner Davis shared about a time in his life when he experienced food insecurities.

**Proclamations**

Commissioner Fix read proclamations for Hunger Action Month, Payroll Appreciation Week, Weights and Measures Month, and National Preparedness Month

Tiffany Nash, Jeanette Curtis, and Anna Tobin accepted the proclamation for Hunger Action Month. Ms. Nash and Ms. Curtis work with H3, and Ms. Tobin is the Executive Director for The Senior Hub and Meals on Wheels for Fairfield County.

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Ms. Tobin stated that many of the county's seniors struggle every day and meals on Wheels is happy to offer them a meal and connect them with food supplements. She added that healthy meals help keep seniors from requiring facilities and special assistance.

Auditor Brown accepted the proclamation for Payroll Appreciation Week and stated that payroll has been in existence since 7000 B.C. The county does payroll for about 1000 individuals. In the private sector, people want access to their payroll when they work. The most common payroll is every other week but 10% of employees nationwide now get their pay daily.

Auditor Brown also accepted the proclamation for Weights and Measures Excellence. She stated the proclamation would be shared in the field with Agricultural businesses. The jobs of the Weights and Measures department is to ensure that consumers are getting what they paid for and that companies are getting what they expect.

Mr. Kochis, regarding National Preparedness Month, stated that he had very recently visited the 911 Memorial and there are many hazards in which we must try our best to be prepared.

**Public Comment**

Ray Stemen of Lancaster offered his concerns for gambling in America and added he believes the money spent on gambling could be put to better use.

Kathy Brookes stated her intent to establish a sovereign state in Fairfield County.

Sherry Pymmer of Walnut Township stated that she believes there are agreements occurring between solar companies, landowners, businesses, and organizations. She also spoke about the increase of costs for energy due to renewables.

**Legal Update**

None.

**County Administration Update**

- *The County Administration Update was provided by County Administrator, Aundrea Cordle, unless otherwise noted.*

**Week in Review**

*State of the County*

Thank you to everyone that joined us for the State of the County meeting last week, and to the Administrative Team and Lancaster Fairfield County Chamber of Commerce for their great work on the event.

**Highlights of Resolutions**

*Administrative Approvals*

The review packet contains a list of administrative approvals.

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*Resolution Review*

There are 14 resolutions on the agenda for the Regular voting meeting.

Resolutions of note:

- We have a resolution to approve the proclamations that were just presented.
- There are two resolutions to approve the viewing and hearing dates for the vacation of unimproved public roads, both in Walnut Township. The viewings for both will be September 24<sup>th</sup>, and the hearings will occur October 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:35 and 9:36 a.m.
- There is another resolution from the Engineer's Office to establish a viewing and hearing for an additional culvert. Last week we had a resolution that established viewing and hearing dates for 12 culverts, roads, or bridges to determine the necessity to alter, widen, or improve. This resolution is for the 13<sup>th</sup> such location.
- The Engineer's Office also has a resolution to approve the Contract Bid Award for the Salt Barn Concrete Pavement Project. The County Engineer is recommending that Jagger Construction, LLC be awarded the bid. They submitted the lowest bid and met all bid requirements.

Engineer Upp stated the bids came in favorably for the salt barn and the structure would provide a place to store excess salt. He also stated his appreciation for Jon Kochis and his team for their assistance with the process.

- There are four Major Crimes financial resolutions to allow for proper accounting in the DART Grant Fund, the MCU Grant Fund, and their ARP Fund.

**Budget Review**

- No Budget Review

**Calendar Review/Invitations Received**

*Items Requiring Response*

*Informational Items*

- MORPC Summit on Sustainability, October 29, 2024, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Hilton Columbus Downtown, 402 N. High St., Columbus

**Correspondence**

- Press Release, Office of the County Auditor, August 28, 2024, "Fairfield County Auditor to Host Second Annual Free Real Estate Summit "Serving Those Who Have Served" with 2.5 Hours of Continuing Education"
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- Fairfield Homes, Inc., August 27, 2024, Letter Re: Hunter's Hill Apartments
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**Old Business**

Commissioner Fix thanked everyone who attended the State of the County event. He added his appreciation for the staff who put the room together and for the chamber who so efficiently handled the registration process. He stated that the Commissioners and area business leaders sat with Congressman Balderson and added that it is powerful when your congressman cares enough to speak with you. He further stated his appreciation for the Congressman's time.

Commissioners Levacy and Davis echoed Commissioner Fix's sentiments.

**New Business**

Engineer Upp offered his excitement for the progression of the salt barn.

Commissioner Fix believed there to be a significant improvement in the flow of traffic on Refugee Road.

Commissioner Davis asked Engineer Upp about a letter received from a resident regarding their concerns over road improvements near their home.

Engineer Upp replied that the resident had been very difficult to deal with and conversations between the resident and several staff members had not been positive. The Township Trustees responsible for maintenance of that road erected an illegal speed limit sign to appease the landowner without going through the proper channels. Engineer Upp stated that the Commissioners could speak with several staff members, including the Clerk, regarding their conversations with the resident.

Auditor Brown spoke on the success of the new processes for lot splits, and on the featured monthly maps produced by the Auditor's Map Room.

Director Szabrak stated the HVAC units at the Workforce Center were installed via helicopter and added that he is thrilled to have air conditioning. The carpentry students had the opportunity to witness the rooftop installation process.

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**Announcements**

None.

**Approval of Minutes for August 27, 2024**

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Minutes for the Tuesday, August 27, 2024, meeting.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:  
Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy

**Approval of State of the County Minutes for August 27, 2024**

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the State of the County Minutes for the Tuesday, August 27, 2024, meeting.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:  
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**Approval of Resolutions from the Fairfield County Commissioners**

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following resolutions from the Fairfield County Commissioners:

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| 2024-09.03.a | A Resolution Authorizing the Approval of Proclamations  |
| 2024-09.03.b | A resolution to consider a petition to vacate a portion of an unimproved alley in Walnut Township and establish a viewing and hearing date. |

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- 2024-09.03.c      A resolution to consider a petition to vacate a portion of an unimproved public road, Fisher Street, in Walnut Township and establish a viewing and hearing date
- 2024-09.03.d      A resolution to approve a memo expense for interest allocation reimbursements for Fairfield Department of Health, Fairfield County Parks, & Fairfield County Port Authority – Fund #7012, #7321, #7308, & #7865.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:  
Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy

**Approval of Resolutions from the Fairfield County Engineer**

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following resolutions from the Fairfield County Engineer:

- 2024-09.03.e      A Resolution to set a Commissioner's viewing date of September 24, 2024 at 12:30 p.m., and a final hearing date of October 1, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. to determine the necessity for establishing, altering, and widening of a culvert on Ginder Road (TR246) in Fairfield County, Ohio.
- 2024-09.03.f      A Resolution to Approve the Contract Bid Award for the Salt Barn Concrete Pavement Project

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:  
Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy

**Approval of Resolutions from Fairfield County Job and Family Services**

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following resolutions from Fairfield County Job and Family Services:

- 2024-09.03.g      A Resolution to amend a previously approved Agreement between The Ohio State University and Fairfield County Job & Family Services, Fairfield County Child Protective Services (CPS) Division
- 2024-09.03.h      A resolution to approve a memo exp./ memo receipt for the costs of Bus Passes paid to Lancaster-Fairfield Public Transit as a memo expenditure for fund# 2072 Public Children's Services

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:  
Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy

**Approval of a Resolution from the Fairfield County Regional Planning Commission**

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following resolution from the Fairfield County Regional Planning Commission:

- 2024-09.03.i      A resolution authorizing the approval of a CDBG Participation agreement by Fairfield County Board of Commissioners and the Village of Sugar Grove.

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**Approval of Resolutions from the South Central Major Crimes Unit**

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following resolutions from the South Central Major Crimes Unit:

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| 2024-09.03.j | A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category for Major Crimes; 7844 (8339) DART GRANT. |
| 2024-09.03.k | A resolution to request for appropriations for receipts for 24/25 AG DART Grant Major Crimes Unit 7844                           |
| 2024-09.03.l | A resolution authorizing an account to account transfer for MCU Fund 7874 Grant  |
| 2024-09.03.m | A resolution to request for appropriations for receipts for FY22 American Rescue Plan Major Crimes Unit 7892                     |

Administrator Cordle thanked Cristy Noland with EMA for helping with fiscal operations at MCU.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:  
Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy

**Approval of the Payment of Bills**

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following resolution for the Payment of Bills:

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| 2024-09.03.n | A resolution authorizing the approval of payment of invoices for departments that need Board of Commissioners' approval. |
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Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:  
Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy

**Adjournment**

Commissioner Davis will be in communication with Michael Burns and asked the other Commissioners to let him know if they have guidance on content.

With no further business, On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to adjourn at 10:26 a.m.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:  
Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy

The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 10, 2024, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room, 210 E. Main St., Lancaster, OH.



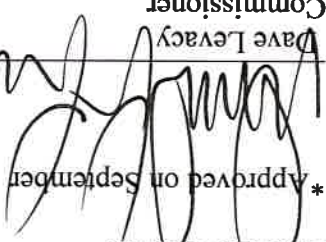


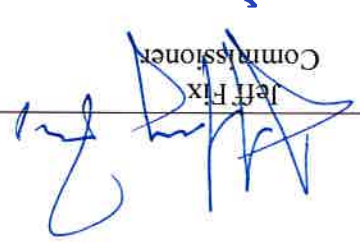
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Motion by: Jeff Fix  
Seconded by: Steve Davis  
that the September 3, 2024, minutes were approved by the following vote:


YEAS: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis, Dave Levacy  
ABSTENTIONS:

\* Approved on September 10, 2024

  
Dave Levacy  
Commissioner

  
Jeff Fix  
Commissioner

  
Steve Davis  
Commissioner

  
Rochelle Mennigen, Clerk



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**Tuesday, September 3, 2024**  
**9:00 a.m.**

### 1. Review

Purpose of Review Meeting: *To prepare for formal actions of county business, such as Commission resolutions; and to provide a time for county leadership to connect about matters of county business.*

### 2. Welcome

### 3. Update on Bond Financing

### 4. Hunger Awareness Presentation

### 5. Presentation of Proclamations

### 6. Public Comments

Purpose of Public Comments: *This is a time for voters and taxpayers (members of the public) to provide comments. There is a time limit of 3 minutes. While this is a time for comments to be provided, it is not a time for questions and answers. The Commission has a full agenda of county business.*

### 7. Legal Update

### 8. County Administration Update

- a. Week in Review
- b. Highlights of Resolutions
- c. Budget Review
- d. Recognitions/Thank-Yous
- e. Calendar Review/ Invitations Received
  - i. Ohio Department of Natural Resources Meeting, September 5, 2024, 10:00 a.m., 2045 Morse Rd., Columbus
  - ii. MORPC Summit on Sustainability, October 29, 2024, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Hilton Columbus Downtown, 402 N. High St., Columbus
- f. Correspondence
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- viii. Newsletter, *Auditor’s Ledger: News from the County Auditor’s Office*, August 2024
- ix. *Lancaster Eagle Gazette*, Jeff Baron, August 29, 2024, “State of the County: Growth, Workforce Development and Transportation are the Big Issues”

### 9. Old Business

### 10. New Business

- a. Updates from Elected Officials in Attendance

### 11. Regular (Voting) Meeting

### 12. Adjourn

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**Quarters Total 2021, Total 2022, Total 2023, & Quarter 1,2, 3 2024 – American Rescue Plan Fiscal Recovery Funds, as of 8.29.2024.**

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<b>12Project/Category</b>		<b>As of 8/29/24 Appropriations</b>	<b>As of 8/29/24 Expenditure</b>	<b>As of 8/29/24 Obligation</b>
<b>Public Health</b>				
R15a	Public Health, PPE	199.90	199.90	0.00
R16a	Public Health, Medical Expenses	206,838.33	206,838.33	0.00
R16b	Public Health, COVID Medial Costs County Benefits Program	399,949.66	399,949.66	0.00
R17a	Public Health, Vaccination Clinic and Related Expenses	66,362.57	66,362.57	0.00
R17b	Public Health, Capital Investments and Public Facilities of the County	3,454,298.85	3,422,579.58	31,719.27
R17c	Public Health, Capital Investment for Air Quality Improvements	56,674.00	56,674.00	0.00
R17d	Public Health, Capital Investment for Health Equipment, Mobile Morgue	49,498.87	49,498.87	0.00
R17e	Public Health, Capital Investment for Sheriff Cruiser to Respond to Increased Violence	54,250.98	54,250.98	0.00
R18a	Professional Communications on Behalf of the Board of Health	34,577.94	34,577.94	0.00
R18b	Public Health, Creation of a Community Health Assessment (CHA)	48,943.10	48,943.10	0.00
R19a	Public Safety Payroll Support	1,600,361.39	1,505,599.51	0.00
R19b	Public Health Payroll Support	185,406.39	185,406.39	0.00
R19c	Other Public Sector Payroll Support	290,060.11	261,599.51	0.00
R110a	Mental and Behavioral Health	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Subtotal Public Health</b>		<b>6,447,422.09</b>	<b>6,292,480.34</b>	<b>31,719.27</b>
<b>Negative Economic Impacts</b>				
R210a	Emergency Assistance for Non-Profit Organizations, a Subgrant to the City of Lancaster	0.00	0.00	0.00
R210b	Emergency Assistance for Non-Profits, Subgrant The Lighthouse	120,000.00	120,000.00	0.00
R210c	Salvation Army	500,000.00	500,000.00	0.00
R210d	Habitat for Humanity	610,000.00	610,000.00	0.00

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R210e	ADAMH/LSS Housing Projects	3,000,000.00	748,622.88	2,251,377.12
R210f	Harcum House	100,000.00	100,000.00	0.00
R210g	Fairhope Hospice	100,000.00	100,000.00	0.00
R211a	Subgrant for Tourism, Support for the Fairfield County Fair	499,996.00	499,996.00	0.00
R211b	Aid to Tourism, Travel, Hospitality	18,278.01	18,278.01	0.00
R29a	Emergency Assistance Business Planning	146,829.87	146,829.87	0.00
R213a	Support for Agriculture and the Growing Community	35,000.00	35,000.00	0.00
R213b	Technical Assistance for Townships & Others	400,000.00	336,854.84	62,500.00
R213c	Contracts for Services to Support Residents Suffering Effects of the Pandemic	96,700.00	96,700.00	0.00
<b>Subtotal Negative Economic Impacts</b>		<b>5,626,803.88</b>	<b>3,312,281.60</b>	<b>2,313,877.12</b>
R310a	Housing Support, Affordable Housing Strategic Plan	39,554.00	39,554.00	0.00
<b>Subtotal Services Disproportionately Impacted Communities</b>		<b>39,554.00</b>	<b>39,554.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Premium Pay</b>				
R41a	Premium Pay, Premium Pay for Emergency Management Agency Workers	27,907.72	27,907.72	0.00
<b>Subtotal Premium Pay</b>		<b>27,907.72</b>	<b>27,907.72</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Infrastructure</b>				
R52a	Clean Water: Centralized Collection and Conveyance, Airport	598,480.00	550,210.54	0.00
R52b	Clean Water: Centralized Collection and Conveyance, Walnut Creek Sewer District	750,000.00	750,000.00	0.00

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R52c	Clean Water: Centralized Collection and Conveyance, Regional Lift Station	2,761,835.85	681,817.66	2,080,018.19
R56a	Clean Water, Stormwater	539,895.00	539,895.00	0.00
R511a	Drinking Water: Transmission/Distribution, Grant Hampton	894,729.11	800,318.61	0.00
R511b	Drinking Water: Transmission/Distribution, Airport	102,000.00	100,805.00	0.00
R511c	Drinking Water: Transmission/Distribution, Greenfield	0.00	0.00	0.00
R511d	Drinking Water: Transmission/Distribution, Baltimore	613,000.00	613,000.00	0.00
R511e	Drinking Water: Transmission/Distribution, Pleasantville	834,000.00	731,947.53	102,052.47
R516a	Broadband, "Last Mile" Projects	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Subtotal Infrastructure</b>		<b>7,093,939.99</b>	<b>4,767,994.34</b>	<b>2,182,070.66</b>
<b>Revenue Loss</b>				
R61a	SaaS and Technological Equipment	369,959.32	369,959.32	0.00
R61b	Recorder Document Scanning	337,984.72	337,984.72	0.00
R61c	Clerk of Courts Case Management	375,000.00	372,221.42	2,778.58
R61d	MARCS Tower Project	572,433.00	537,899.50	34,533.50
R61e	Dispatch Consoles	543,820.85	543,820.85	0.00
R61f	Fairfield Center Purchase	2,708,752.85	2,708,752.85	0.00
R61g	Fairfield Center Renovation	3,344,528.02	2,764,871.37	468,687.35

**Quarters Total 2021, Total 2022, Total 2023, & Quarter 1,2, 3 2024 – American Rescue Plan Fiscal Recovery Funds, as of 8.29.2024.**

From the \$30,606,902.00 received as the first and second tranche of fiscal recovery funds. \$29,512,554.70 has been appropriated, \$23,339,369.99 expended, \$5,448,240.43 encumbered or obligated.

<b>Project/Category</b>		<b>As of 8/29/24 Appropriations</b>	<b>As of 8/29/24 Expenditure</b>	<b>As of 8/29/24 Obligation</b>
R61h	Community School Attendance Program	501,137.00	371,086.78	5,718.95
R61i	Workforce Center Expansion	0.00	0.00	0.00
R61j	Smart Growth	197,657.97	197,657.97	0.00
R61k	United Way and Dolly Parton's Imagination Library	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00
<b>R61l</b>	Auditor Historical Records Scanning	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>R61m</b>	Engineer's Radios	80,000.00	80,000.00	0.00
<b>R61n</b>	Auditor Printers	4,357.66	4,357.66	0.00
<b>R61o</b>	Auditor Copiers	11,983.30	11,983.30	0.00
<b>R61p</b>	Bremen ADA Ramps	26,954.00	26,954.00	0.00
<b>R61q</b>	Transportation School Education Vehicles	38,357.90	38,357.90	0.00
<b>R61r</b>	Safety and Security	457,422.00	101,000.00	356,422.00
<b>R61s</b>	MAPSYS Custom Taxing Authority Management Application	52,433.00	0.00	52,433.00
<b>R517a</b>	Beavers Field Utilities	37,346.77	36,606.46	0.00
<b>Revenue Loss</b>		9,685,128.36	8,528,514.10	920,573.38
<b>Administration</b>				
R71a	Administrative Expenses	591,798.66	370,637.89	0.00
<b>Subtotal Administration</b>		591,798.66	370,637.89	0.00
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>\$29,512,554.70</b>	<b>\$23,339,369.99</b>	<b>\$5,448,240.43</b>



ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY ITEMS  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE  
AUGUST 26, 2024 TO August 30, 2024

Fairfield County Commissioners

- AA.08.28-2024.a An Administrative Approval for the payment(s) of the United Health Care (UHC) invoice for the Fairfield County Self-Funded Health Benefits Program – Fairfield County Board of Commissioners [Commissioners]
- AA.08.28-2024.b An Administrative Approval for the payment of invoices for departments that need Board of Commissioners' approval and have bills presented that are not more than \$75,000 per invoice. [Commissioners]

Fairfield County Information Technology

- AA.08.29-2024.a An Administrative Approval for consulting services between CDW-Government state of Ohio contract #534605 and the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners involving the migration of all Microsoft Exchange mail services to the Microsoft Cloud [Information Technology]

Fairfield County Utilities Department

- AA.08.26-2024.a An Administrative Approval authorizing the agreement between Fairfield County Utilities and CDM Smith Inc [Utilities]



## Summit on Sustainability

**When:** October 29, 2024

**Where:** Hilton Columbus Downtown

**Time:** 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Register today for MORPC's annual Summit on Sustainability. The Summit on Sustainability is MORPC's signature environmental conference, bringing hundreds of community leaders together to explore and share sustainable ideas and solutions.



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Wednesday, August 28, 2024**

**Fairfield County Auditor to Host Second Annual Free Real Estate Summit “Serving Those Who Have Served” with 2.5 hours of Continuing Education**

**Lancaster, Ohio** – The Fairfield County Auditor’s Office is pleased to announce the office will be hosting its second annual Real Estate Summit titled “Serving Those Who Have Served.” This summit is focused on equipping real estate professionals and others with tools needed to serve Veterans. The Ohio Department of Commerce has approved 2.5 hours of continuing education for real estate and professional licensing. Local leaders and subject matter experts are scheduled to present.

“We look forward to connecting with those in the community who work with Veterans and have interest in the real estate assessment procedures. Realtors, government officials, bankers, appraisers, Veterans, and those interested in the appraisal process are recommended participants – and there is no charge for the course,” stated Dr. Carri L. Brown, County Auditor.

The summit will include information on:

- communication skills for realtors and others who work with Veterans;
- benefits available for Veterans;
- the procedures to convey property;
- the mass appraisal process for real property; &
- tips and tricks for using online tools.

The Real Estate Summit will take place at 8 a.m. on Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at the Fairfield Center, located at 12933 Stonecreek Dr, Pickerington, OH 43147. Registration is requested, but not required. A light breakfast will be provided. The attached flier provides further details.

Please register here: <https://bit.ly/AudVeteransSummit24>.

For more information or questions regarding the Real Estate Summit, please contact Rachel Elsea, Communications Officer, at [rachel.elsea@fairfieldcountyohio.gov](mailto:rachel.elsea@fairfieldcountyohio.gov) or (740) 652-7091.

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# Real Estate Summit

## SERVING THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED



**September 26, 2024**

FAIRFIELD CENTER • 12933 STONECREEK DRIVE, PICKERINGTON, OHIO 43147

### AUDIENCE

All are welcome! Those who work with Veterans are especially encouraged to attend, including:



**Realtors**



**Local, State, and Federal Officials**



**Bankers & Businesses**



**Real Estate Appraisers**



**Veterans**



Those interested in the **Mass Appraisal Process of the County Auditor**

### TOPICS

- Benefits; Ohio's Homestead Program
- VA loan process
- Conveyance of property procedures
- Mass appraisal process in Ohio; What's new?
- County Auditor's Real Estate Assessment webpages
- Housing options for Veterans in Fairfield County

### SCHEDULE

8 a.m.	<b>Welcome/Networking</b>	Dr. Carri Brown, County Auditor Veterans: Dave Levacy, County Commissioner Dr. Varney, County Coroner Jim Bahnsen, County Treasurer
8:15 a.m.	<b>Communication Skills for Realtors &amp; Officials who Work with Veterans</b>	Dr. Carri Brown, County Auditor Lillian Zarzar, Consultant Representatives of the VA Clinic
8:45 a.m.	<b>Tools for Informing Fairfield County Veterans of Benefits Available</b>	Justin Messinger, Assistant Director, Fairfield County Veteran Services Dr. Carri Brown, County Auditor Lisa McKenzie, County Recorder
9 a.m.	<b>VA Loans for Homes, the Process</b>	Dr. Carri Brown, County Auditor Representatives of the Veterans Administration
9:15 a.m.	<b>Conveyance of Property - Procedures of the County Auditor</b>	Josh Harper, Real Estate Assessment Manager Linda O'Toole, Esq., Board of Revision Administrator
9:30 a.m.	<b>The Mass Appraisal Process - What is New?</b>	Dr. Carri Brown, County Auditor Linda O'Toole, Esq., Board of Revision Administrator Appraisers of the County Auditor's Office
10 a.m.	<b>The County Auditor's Real Estate Website - Tips and Tricks to Help</b>	Dave Burgei, Real Estate Director Linda O'Toole, Esq., Board of Revision Administrator
10:15 a.m.	<b>Specific Housing Options in Fairfield County for Veterans</b>	Dr. Carri Brown, County Auditor Representatives of Lutheran Social Services
10:30 a.m.	<b>Questions &amp; Answers</b>	All Participants

### REGISTER



<https://forms.gle/VWGCwKBedkNEiKgn9>

*2.5 hours of CE approved for real estate & professional licensing - no charge!*

**From:** [Elsea, Rachel A](#)  
**To:** [Elsea, Rachel A](#)  
**Subject:** Fraud, Waste, and Abuse – Wednesday's Word to the Wise  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 28, 2024 3:00:07 PM

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Hello!

Today, State Auditor Keith Faber issued *The General Standard for August 2024*. Auditor Faber stated in this newsletter that one of the ways that we can all help his office is to take the [AOS's new training](#) (about fraud and risk management) and learn how to identify the red flags of potential fraud, waste and abuse of tax dollars.

As a reminder, Fairfield County Human Resources sent a communication on July 9, 2024, to all employees addressing this required training. Please ensure the required training is completed prior to September 28, 2024.

To support the announcement in the AOS newsletter and the recently issued [Auditor of State bulletin 2024-005 Required Fraud Training](#), we in the County Auditor's Financial Systems office would like to provide the following Word to the Wise.

As a public employee, you can help stamp out Fraud, Waste and Abuse! We sometimes get questions about what is fraud, waste, or abuse. The following information includes highlights from the AOS bulletin.

**Fraud**, for purposes of your reporting obligation, refers to the criminal concept of fraud, which occurs when a person knowingly uses deception to obtain a benefit for himself or another. It can also occur when a person knowingly causes, by deception, some detriment to another.

Fraud differs from an unintentional error or mistake, or theft, where there is no knowing use of deception.

Examples of Fraud may include:

- Impersonating a government official to steal cash from a government cash collection point
- Creating fictional invoices and using public funds to pay them to yourself or a friend
- Falsifying timesheets for the purpose of gaining additional compensation or leave time
- Falsifying financial statements to cover up a redirecting of public money to a personal bank account
- Posting a receipt for the incorrect amount due to a mathematical error

- Accidentally paying an invoice twice
- Inadvertently calculating utility bills at an old rate
- Collecting the student price for an adult ticket at a school sporting event
- Theft in office occurs when a public official commits any theft offense of a property or service owned or offered by a public governmental entity while using the official's office in aid of committing the theft.
  - An example of theft in office is using the government's credit card, that you have authority to use only through your position with the government entity, to pay for a personal expense.

**Waste** occurs in government when resources are used carelessly or extravagantly without adequate oversight.

Examples of Waste may include:

- Overpaying for goods or services
- Unnecessary spending on projects
- Intentionally inefficient processes for a routine task

**Abuse** excludes fraud and non-compliance and involves actions that a prudent person would determine to be deemed unreasonable based on the circumstances.

Examples of Abuse may include:

- Requesting to be reimbursed for an expensive meal
- Asking an employee to perform a task not within their scope of work, even after hours

If something doesn't look right, it is important to stay vigilant. Making a report is the first step in addressing Fraud, Waste and Abuse.

On a related matter, our [Internal Control Manual](#) addresses areas of internal control and defines how to establish Program Integrity, Segregation of Duties, and consideration for a Fraud Risk Analysis.

- Management of the County government is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure designed to ensure that the assets of the county are protected from loss, theft, or misuse and to ensure that adequate accounting data are compiled to allow for the preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).
- Program Integrity is a foundational concept that seeks to ensure that the County develops and maintains governance structures, controls, and processes to safeguard taxpayer resources. To accomplish this objective, Management of

the County government should consider the following aspects within their processes related to operations, reporting and compliance.

- Fraud Risk Analysis – How exposed to fraud are you? Some areas to consider are frequent turnover of staff, size and types of payments, appropriate oversight, and ensuring your functional area has clearly documented processes and procedures.
  - After the risks have been identified, address control activities.
    - These include policies and procedures, techniques and mechanisms that help ensure risks are mitigated.
  - Performing a fraud risk analysis is essential for proper stewardship and accountability for government resources and for achieving effective and efficient program results.

***Thanks for taking the time to accomplish the training and read this Word to the Wise***

**Rachel A. Elsea**

*Communications Officer*

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To: Fairfield County Commissioners & Staff  
From: Dr. Carri Brown, County Auditor  
Date: August 29, 2024  
Subjects: Board of Revision Process - Application for Remission of Late-Payment Penalties; Resource for School District Income Tax Questions; and an Update on the Lot Split Application & Review of Pre-Approval of Legal Descriptions

### **Board of Revision Process - Application for Remission of Late-Payment Penalties**

A taxpayer may request a remission (removal) of a penalty that has been assessed against real estate or manufactured home taxes, and under Ohio law, certain circumstances support the remission of the penalties. Top circumstances include reasonable cause and not willful neglect, as well as serious injury or hospitalization. Applications are approved or denied by the Board of Revision.

***Details about the Board of Revision process are found here:***

<https://www.co.fairfield.oh.us/OBORRC/Remission-of-Penalty-Information.html>

Thanks to Linda O’Toole, BOR Administrator, for her updates to the BOR manual, which is used on a statewide basis. We have received positive feedback about the details provided in the manual.

### **Resource: School District Income Taxes**

A school district income tax generates revenue to support school districts *who vote to enact the tax*. This tax is separate from federal, state, and city income or property taxes. ***Ohio school districts may enact a school district income tax with voter approval.*** Here is an informational link:

<https://tax.ohio.gov/individual/school-district-income-tax>

### **An Update on the Lot Split Application & Review of Pre-Approval of Legal Descriptions**

Thanks to the committee focused on the lot split application. Multiple stakeholders reviewed responses to the request for information, and a contract development for an REA fund supported approach is underway. Criteria for the group review included ease of use for the public, sustainability, and cost effectiveness. Once contract development has concluded, there will be a beta period of testing prior to ***full implementation in January of 2025.***

***As housing and development continue to increase in Fairfield County, we are developing new services to support the public.*** We have introduced a new pre-approval process for legal descriptions, and the use of the service is growing. In the first year of introducing the voluntary service, 11.24% more legal descriptions have gone through this review process, saving time and resources for everyone. Questions and technical matters are answered more quickly with a pre-approval process.

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## Your Fairfield County Auditor's Office: **WINS OF THE WEEK**

August 29, 2024

Our brains are wired to respond to rewards. Celebrating the completion of small accomplishments leads to the completion of larger goals. And there is evidence in research to support this...According to research by Teresa Amabile from Harvard Business School, tracking small achievements enhances motivation for larger goals...

- ***The week began with an efficient Budget Commission meeting which allowed for electronic signatures for the amended official certificates of resources that were requested by multiple political subdivisions.*** Thanks to the team for the new procedures and for quickly posting all documents online.
- Congratulations to ***Jen Dickerson and Amanda Rollins*** for completing their “tech cred” courses. There have been more than ***25 “tech cred” courses*** taken at the County Auditor’s Office.
- Several team members ***enjoyed the state of the county address held this week.*** There were great networking and information sharing opportunities.
- On Tuesday, Carri and other members of the community ***attended an open house and tour of the new and pending Salvation Army location.***
- Multiple analyses are underway to ***improve the use of ERP in support of several departments.*** There is positive feedback about the collaborative approach.
- The team met to consider ways to effectively communicate about ***online options and in-person options for dog licensing.*** Over the past three years, there has been improvement in timeliness of pay-in processes, and now, there are additional improvements in outreach being conducted.

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## Your Fairfield County Auditor's Office: **WINS OF THE WEEK**

- On Wednesday, we held a ***lunch n learn session about the GOV OS system*** to increase understanding about the application in support of lodging tax collections.
- The kick-off meeting about the MAPSYS application for the Budget Commission and Settlement activities was held on Thursday. ***We are excited about the new technology to support more than 60 stakeholders.***
- ***Everyone in Finance has reported how well the phone tree process is working.***
- ***Kayla Speakman created a new brochure to help explain the Homestead program. It has been a popular resource.*** Welcome back to the office, Kayla. Thanks, again, to Joanna Vanderbilt for using the brochure at the most recent senior expo.
- Thanks to Curt, Stacey, Jessica, Joanna, and Meagen for volunteering to work at ***Meals On Wheels (The Senior Hub) on Community Care Day.***
- ***Special thanks to Bev Hoskinson for her patience in working with the IRS to develop appropriate points of contact for the Clean Energy program.***
- ***Happy Labor Day!*** Enjoy this holiday that is especially for all employees. Thanks for the services you provide to all of Fairfield County.

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Hunter's Hill Apartments  
Fairfield Homes, Inc  
603 W. Wheeling Street,  
Lancaster, OH 43130

8/27/2024

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Rochelle Menningan  
Commissioners' Clerk  
210 E. Main Street,  
Lancaster, Ohio 43130

RE: Hunter's Hill Apartments

Dear Mrs. Menningan:

The purpose of this letter is to apprise your office that Fairfield Homes plans to be the general partner of a residential rental development located in or within a one-half mile radius of your political jurisdiction, and will submit an application to utilize the multifamily funding programs of the Ohio Housing Finance Agency (OHFA) for the development of this property.

Hunters Hill is an affordable housing community located in Lancaster, Ohio. The development consists of one-, two-, and three-bedroom apartments located in a beautiful setting surrounded by trees and a creek. Hunters Hill sits adjacent to the Lancaster Bike Path and is just minutes away from shopping, restaurants, and entertainment. The development is conveniently located to a pharmacy, restaurants, shopping, and the Lancaster City school district. Fairfield Homes is proposing a re-syndication with Housing Credit proceeds to fund a substantial rehabilitation of the property to ensure long-term viability and maintain affordability.

The proposed development will be financed with a conventional first mortgage, Housing Credit proceeds, HDAP funds, seller financing, deferred developer fee, and general partner equity.

***Development Team:***

General Partners or Managing Members:	Fairfield Homes, Inc
Developer:	Fairfield Homes, Inc
Contractor:	Gorsuch Construction
Property Manager:	Fairfield Homes, Inc

Project Address: 857 Elizabeth Drive, Lancaster, 43130 – Fairfield County, Ohio

Number of Units: **96-Units**

Program(s) to be utilized  
in the Project:

Housing Tax Credit Program, Housing Development Assistance Program &  
Housing Development Loan Program

Right to Submit  
Comments:

You have the right to submit comments to OHFA regarding the proposed project's impact on the community. Any objection to the project must be submitted in writing and signed by a majority of the voting members of the legislative body. Comments must be received by OHFA within 30 days of the mailing date of this notice.

The person to be notified at OHFA and their address is:

Director of Multifamily Housing  
Ohio Housing Finance Agency  
2600 Corporate Exchange Drive, Suite 300  
Columbus, Ohio 43231

OHFA will provide a written response to any objections submitted under the terms outlined above.

Sincerely,

Claire Reinstein  
Development Manager  
603 W. Wheeling Street,  
Lancaster, OH 43130  
419-913-7289  
cristein@fairfieldhomesohio.com



## County Spotlight

### COMMISSION CONNECTION: FAIRFIELD COUNTY UTILITIES

Fairfield County Utilities is a cornerstone of the community, dedicated to preserving public health and promoting environmental sustainability through its comprehensive water and wastewater services. Commissioner Jeff Fix chatted with Tony Vogel, Director of Fairfield County Utilities, about the department and the recently implemented Senior and Veteran Assistance (SAVA) Program.





## SENIOR AND VETERAN ASSISTANCE (SAVA) PROGRAM

Fairfield County Utilities offers a  
**10% discount**  
for senior citizens and veterans on water  
and sewer services!

Eligible homeowners must be 65 or older and qualify for Homestead Exemption with income or as a veteran. Applications are available through the QR code, at the Fairfield County Utilities Office, at the Fairfield County Auditor's Office, or at the Fairfield County Veteran Service Office.

Applications must be submitted to the Fairfield County Utilities Office  
(6670 Lockville Road, Carroll, Ohio 43112).

For more details, email  
[askutilities@co.fairfield.oh.us](mailto:askutilities@co.fairfield.oh.us) or call us today  
at (740) 652-7120.



## MONTHLY THEME: EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES & COMMUNITY WELL-BEING

This month's theme focuses on empowering communities and community well-being. We are showcasing the [Lancaster-Fairfield Community Action Agency \(LFCAA\)](#), which is dedicated to enhancing community well-being through vital services and support. LFCAA's mission is to enable low-income families and individuals of all ages to obtain the skill, the knowledge, and the motivation to secure the opportunities needed for them to become fully self-sufficient. The purpose of the agency is the provision of decent, affordable housing made available to low-income and moderate income persons.

LFCAA's services include three primary sections:

- [Social services](#): Addresses basic needs issues through services such as local food pantries, homelessness assistance, emergency family shelter, and home energy assistance programs.
- [Community Housing Impact & Preservation \(CHIP\)](#): Ohio Development Services Agency provides CHIP funds to local governments to improve and provide affordable housing for low- and moderate-income residents of their communities. CHIP funds can assist eligible Fairfield County residents with home rehabilitation and repairs and home buying.
- [Early Childhood Programs](#): These services include programs such as Help Me Grow, Head Start, Ohio Early Intervention, Teens with Tots and more.

Earlier this year, we spoke with Executive Director Clint Davis about the organization's food pantry. You can explore ways to give back to our community and learn where to find help when needed. Watch the video by clicking the image below.



## AUGUST PROCLAMATIONS

This month, the Commissioners approved the proclamation recognizing August as Child Support Awareness Month. August 30 will be recognized as International Overdose Awareness Day.



## ATHENA AWARD: JUDGE TERRE VANDERVOOT

Fairfield County Juvenile and Probate Court Judge Terre Vandervoot received the 2024 ATHENA Leadership Award from the Lancaster-Fairfield County Chamber of Commerce on August 1. The award honors women and organizations that demonstrate the highest level of professionalism, excel in their chosen field, devote time to their community, and open paths so that others may follow.

It's clear why Judge Vandervoot was selected as a recipient. She served 20 years as the first elected female prosecutor in her community before being appointed to her current position by Governor John Kasich in August 2013. She developed guiding principles for the Court centering decision-making on evidence-based models focused on public safety and the reduction of recidivism in juveniles.



Judge Vandervoort developed the first County diversion program for juvenile nonviolent first-time offenders. Additional new programs under Judge Vandervoort's guidance include a drop-in assessment center assisting the community in response to at-risk youth, mentoring services, a preventive community request for Services program, and Cyber Safety Education. Judge Vandervoort has done extensive court-wide training through the University of Cincinnati's Corrections Institute to implement best practice models and is constantly on the lookout for new programming options. In 2019, Judge Vandervoort established one of the first Guardianship Service Boards outside of Franklin County. Case managers employed by the GSB (as opposed to Court-appointed attorneys) can provide three times as many care hours to Fairfield County's vulnerable population.



## Community Corner

### DEPARTMENT SPOTLIGHT - FAIRFIELD COUNTY 2-1-1

This month, we are featuring Fairfield County 2-1-1 and the tremendous impact it has on our county. A full-service, nationally accredited information and referral agency with a 24-7 call center, Fairfield County 2-1-1 assists tens of thousands of people every year.



The purpose of 2-1-1 is to provide “front door” case management services to individuals and families in need of resources in Fairfield County. This allows the person in need to be connected with the appropriate agency and ensures agencies get eligible individuals for their services. Individuals in need and linked to food, housing, counseling, and various other resources in Fairfield County. The efficiency of 2-1-1 maximizes community resources and reduces duplication of services by working closely with other agency partners. Additionally, 2-1-1 operates the 24/7 mental health crisis line, offers representative payee services, and offers community outreach education.

When people in Fairfield County are in need, they can call 2-1-1 any time of the day and those calls will be answered by a real person who is a trained professional with access to a comprehensive database.

To donate to 2-1-1 or to learn more about their vast array of services, visit [www.fairfieldcounty211.org](http://www.fairfieldcounty211.org).



### **SNAP RECIPIENTS: PROTECT YOURSELF FROM POTENTIAL FRAUD**

Protect yourself from SNAP card skimming! Skimming happens when a device is placed over a point-of-sale card reader that steals information for payment cards like SNAP. This means SNAP benefits can be stolen without your knowledge.

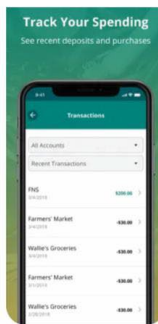
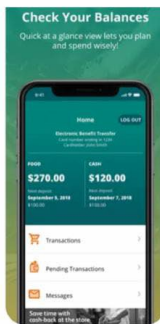
To protect your benefits, be sure to:

- Check your EBT balance regularly
- Monitor your transaction history. Immediately report your card if it is lost, no longer working, stolen or if you notice anything unusual.
- Do not share your card, card number or PIN.
- Change your PIN frequently.
- Choose a unique PIN which is NOT easily guessed.
- Report duplicates or unauthorized transactions immediately.
- Do not respond to social media posts, emails or text messages that ask you to enter your EBT card number and PIN to resolve issues or get extra funds.
- Never click on links that you receive through texts or emails unless it comes from a known, reliable, and expected source.

There is now an easier way to monitor your SNAP balance. Yes, there's an app for that. Download the ConnectEBT APP or visit ConnectEBT.com. Find more information on the image below.

## PROTECT YOUR SNAP BENEFITS DOWNLOAD ConnectEBT App or visit ConnectEBT.com

### EBT CARD LOCK/UNLOCK IS AVAILABLE FOR YOU!



- Check available SNAP or Cash balance anytime, anywhere
- Easy login and registration using biometrics and card scanning
- Review transaction history
- View deposit information
- Select or change PIN



## **ANNUAL BUCKEYE LAKE TOUR OF HOMES**

The Buckeye Lake Area Civic Association's fundraiser, the 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Tour of Homes, took place on August 11 with proceeds directly benefitting various projects around the lake for the betterment of the community.



The tour committee partnered with Buckeye Lake Winery, which offered its venue to guests, as well as a group of volunteers who drove passengers around the lake to take in the architecture and design of some of the lake's most impressive homes. In addition, dozens of the area's local businesses, real estate offices, and community organizations sponsored the event. Best of all, the weather was perfect, and it was a beautiful day to be on the lake.

The Buckeye Lake Area Civic Association is committed to fostering and maintaining a strong commitment to the community and environmental stewardship. Preservation of the lake's natural beauty and cultural heritage is central to their mission. The association prides itself on being a community united in making Buckeye Lake a vibrant and sustainable place for everyone.

For additional information, visit [www.theblaca.org](http://www.theblaca.org).

## **ON WITH AUNIE: LANCASTER'S NEW COMMUNITY GARDEN**

Tune in to Episode 14 of *On with Aunie!* This month, Aunie chats with Baylie Blevins, Director of Health Promotion & Planning at the Fairfield County Health Department. Discover Lancaster's new community garden, learn about the amazing partners who helped bring it to life, and hear exciting future plans and events.



## Fairfield Forward

### "BRAND THE BUS" - HELP SHAPE OUR TRANSIT SYSTEM'S FUTURE!

We're excited to invite you to participate in a survey that will shape the future of our transit system. As a county entity here to serve you, your input is crucial. [Take the survey here](#) to share your ideas and suggestions on how we can take our transit system to the next level.

Together, let's create a transit system that meets our community's evolving needs! Thank you for being an important part of this process.



## **SCHOOL'S BACK IN SESSION - SCHOOL BUSES ARE BACK ON ROADS!**

As our county schools return to class this month, it's important to remember that we all have a responsibility to keep our students safe by practicing safe driving in school zones and in

communities where buses are picking up and dropping off precious cargo! While

statistically, school buses are the safest way to transport children, it is up to all of us to ensure students are safe on their way to and from school. The greatest risk to a child isn't riding a school bus, but approaching or leaving one. That's why, as a vehicle driver, it is especially important to pay attention and follow these safety practices:



- Slow down in school zones – be sure to follow flashing lights, safety signals and roadway markers at all applicable times. When in doubt, follow the lowest speed indicated for that zone.
- It is illegal for vehicle drivers to pass a school bus while the school bus stop-arm is extended, and the red lights are flashing. Failing to stop could result in injury or death to child pedestrians or their caretakers. Vehicle drivers must always come to a complete stop when a school bus stop-arm is extended, and the red lights are flashing.
- [The overall best practice is to “always stop if there’s a school bus.” Yellow flashing lights indicate the bus is preparing to stop to load or unload children. Motorists should slow down and prepare to stop their vehicles.](#)
- Never pass on the right side of the bus, where children enter or exit. This is illegal and can have tragic results.
- Watch for children walking in the street, especially if there are no sidewalks in the neighborhood. Watch for children playing and gathering near bus stops.

By each of us doing our part to practice safe driving while school is in session, we can help our students have a safe, productive school year!

### **Career Spotlight**

It is a pleasure to feature Brian Wolfe as this month's Career Spotlight. Brian serves as Deputy Court Administrator and Bailiff in the Fairfield County Court of Common Pleas General Division, a position he has held since 2022.



Brian finished his enlistment from the Marine Corps in 2019 and started with Fairfield County as the Public Inquiries Assistant for the Commissioner's Office in 2020. He attended Ohio University Lancaster, but credits his honed communications and customer relations skills to the PIA position, as well as to the time he spent in the Administrative Courthouse. Brian graduated from Ohio University with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice and a minor in communication studies. His advice to someone wanting to pursue a job in the court system is to realize the importance of networking.

"I would also say to never stop learning because knowledge is power," he said. "In terms of steps, what helped me was getting a degree in Criminal Justice and I was never afraid to put myself out there. Legal internships can also help someone interested in this type of work because the court system is full of different opportunities."

Brian said he likes that every day is different for him, and he can go from running records to administrative duties in a matter of hours.

"The Hall of Justice can be an intimidating place and people typically aren't here for fun," he said. "I enjoy doing my best to help them through the process in a matter in which they understand, and it always makes me feel good when they tell me I was so helpful, or when attorneys give our court compliments because we try to work as efficiently as possible."

## Job Openings

### NOW HIRING: FULL-TIME HUMAN RESOURCES BENEFITS & BILLING ADMINISTRATOR

Are you a detail-oriented professional with a passion for HR and a knack for numbers? Join our team and work with a group that encourages collaboration to streamline and improve processes while providing outstanding customer service to Fairfield County employees. Some of the responsibilities include: administering and maintaining the health benefit package; managing billing, reconciliation and census information with all County benefit vendors; assisting the Deputy Human Resources and Risk Management Director with communication to departments and staff training; processing tuition reimbursement applications; and other duties as assigned! Learn more and apply today [here](#):



#### Additional Job Openings:

- [General Diversion Case Manager](#)
- [Subdivision Drainage Maintenance District Worker](#)
- [WIC Dietitian/Nutritionist](#)
- [Roadworker](#)
- [Juvenile Detention Officer](#)

View the full list of current job openings in Fairfield County by scanning the QR code below, or [clicking here](#).





## Board Openings

The following boards currently have vacancies:

### **Regional Planning Commission: Agriculture, Education, and Minorities**

- **Agriculture:** This representative would ideally be a producer, processor or some other related agriculture field and would represent the interest of the agriculture and farming community in all the RPC's planning activities.
- **Education:** The representative would ideally be from a K-12, technical or higher education to represent the interest of the educational community in all the RPC's planning activities.
- **Minorities:** This representative would ideally be from or serve a minority population to represent minority views and interests in the community.
- **Requirements:** Must be a Fairfield County resident. Board members serve three-year terms. Meetings will take place at 6 p.m. every Tuesday of the month. Potential subcommittee meeting attendance depending upon the RPC's current project load. Occasional attendance at County Commissioners meetings required.

**Law Library Board:** The law library board provides legal research, reference, and library services to the county and to the municipal corporations, townships, and courts within the county and shall manage the coordination, acquisition, and utilization of legal resources.

- **Requirements:** Board members serve 5-year terms.

## Important Dates & Events

Mark your calendars for these important dates in the County!

**Sweet Corn Festival** - August 28 - August 31. Additional details can be found [here](#).

**Labor Day** - Monday, September 2 - Our offices will be closed.

**Fall Health Fest** - 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. on September 28 at Lancaster Community Garden, 2151 West Fair Avenue, Lancaster

**250 Plates** - 4 - 7 p.m. on September 29 at 104 N. Broad Street, Lancaster

### Your County Commissioners



[Steve Davis](#)



[David L. Levacy](#)



[Jeff Fix](#)

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## What You Should Know About the Fairfield County, Ohio Trail of Scarecrows

Known as the Scarecrow Capital of Ohio, the Trail of Scarecrows is an autumn celebration held throughout Fairfield County every October. During this event, both tourists and locals will be visiting different communities across the county and voting for their favorite scarecrow! Learn more about how to explore the Trail of Scarecrows.

[CHECK IT OUT](#)

## The Autumn Experience in Fairfield County

Between local pumpkin patches and farms, beautiful autumn foliage, 15 original covered bridges, fairs and festivals, fun frights, and harvest celebrations, you're sure to fall in love with Fairfield County!

[LEARN MORE](#)



## The 77th Annual Sweet Corn Festival AUGUST 28-31

Get ready for this fun festival that you are sure to find ear-resistible! Bring your family and friends to discover more than 20 midway rides and games, tractor pulls, food, parades, free concerts and more.

[CLICK TO LEARN MORE >](#)

## Lithopolis Honeyfest

SEPTEMBER 6 & 7

Along with honey extractions, hive inspections, and honeybee information, there's plenty of live entertainment, arts & crafts vendors, and delicious treats! Free admission, parking, and shuttle.

[CLICK TO LEARN MORE >](#)



## The 19th Annual Corvette Gathering

SEPTEMBER 8

The Ohio Corvette Club Alliance presents the largest Corvette show in Ohio in downtown Lancaster! Free admission for spectators, door prizes, silent auctions, music, food, and more.

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## Fall at the Round Barn

SEPTEMBER 13 & 14

Held inside the historic Round Barn at the Fairfield Co. Fairgrounds in Lancaster, Ohio, enjoy this family-friendly market filled with 125+ talented modern makers, mobile clothing boutiques, designers, growers & bakers gathered from all across the Midwest.

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## Sims Fall Festival SEPTEMBER 27 & 28

Spend a fall day at Sims Farm! There will be displays of antique farm equipment, as well as arts, crafts, antiques, mums, pumpkins, and other fall items. Enjoy special kids' games & activities on Saturday.

[CLICK TO LEARN MORE >](#)

## Pickerington Oktoberfest SEPTEMBER 27 & 28

The Pickerington Village Association presents this family-friendly event with live music, games and outdoor activities, cool costumes, and craft beer at Combustion Brewery & Taproom!

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## Frontier Spirit SEPTEMBER 28 & 29

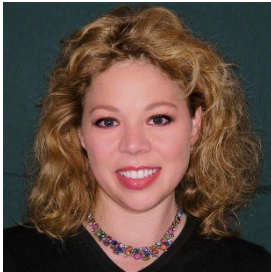
Frontier Spirit 1799 showcases the events and lives of settlers through 5-6 scenes from early Fairfield County in an outdoor theater and trail. Step back in time with this family-friendly event!

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# AUDITOR'S LEDGER:

## News from the County Auditor's Office



### From the Desk of County Auditor Carri Brown

Happy Labor Day Weekend! We are pleased to share the August newsletter with you. In this edition, you will find information and a registration form for our Real Estate Summit: Serving Those Who Have Served, which we're holding on Sept. 26. You can register and read more in the article below.

We have several updates to share with you in this newsletter, including an update about the recipients of the annual Weights and Measures Awards. We also unveil our renovated Little Library thanks to Nick's son, Parker, a team United Way Day initiative, and some fun places our logo has traveled over the last month! We also have a great Map of the Month and some back-to-school photos from our employee families and share about our summer potluck.

If you missed a previous issue of our newsletter, you will find all of them posted online. We encourage you to visit our websites for ongoing updates and important information:

- [General County Auditor Information](#)
- [Real Estate Assessment Information](#)

Kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Carri L. Brown".

Carri Brown, PhD, MBA, CGFM  
County Auditor

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## Labor Day Fun Facts

There are an estimated  
**166 Million**  
Americans in the civilian  
workforce today.

*Reader's Digest*

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Labor Day became a  
National Holiday in  
**1894**

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President  
**Grover Cleveland**  
helped make Labor Day  
a National Holiday.

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## News From the Auditor's Office

### Real Estate Summit: Serving Those Who Have Served

The Fairfield County Auditor's Office is pleased to announce the office will be hosting its second annual Real Estate Summit titled "Serving Those Who Have Served." This summit is focused on equipping real estate professionals and others with the tools needed to serve Veterans. The Ohio Department of Commerce has approved 2.5 hours of continuing education for real estate and professional licensing. Local leaders and subject matter experts are scheduled to present.

"We look forward to connecting with those in the community who work with Veterans and have interest in the real estate assessment procedures. Realtors, government officials, bankers, appraisers, Veterans, and those interested in the appraisal process are recommended participants – and there is no charge for the course," stated Dr. Carri L. Brown, County Auditor.

The summit will include information on:

- Communication skills for realtors and others who work with Veterans;
- Benefits available for Veterans;
- The procedures to convey property;
- The mass appraisal process for real property; and
- Tips and tricks for using online tools.

The Real Estate Summit will take place at 8 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 26 at the Fairfield Center, located at 12933 Stonecreek Dr, Pickerington, OH 43147. Registration is requested, but not required. A light breakfast will be provided. The [attached flier](#) provides further details.

For more information or questions regarding the Real Estate Summit, please contact Rachel Elsea, Communications Officer, at [rachel.elsea@fairfieldcountyohio.gov](mailto:rachel.elsea@fairfieldcountyohio.gov) or (740) 652-7091. This event is free and counts as 2.5 hours of continuing education for real estate and professional licensing.

[Register Now](#)



**Real Estate Summit**  
SERVING THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED

**September 26, 2024**  
FAIRFIELD CENTER • 12933 STONECREEK DRIVE, PICKERINGTON, OHIO 43147

**AUDIENCE**  
All are welcome! Those who work with Veterans are especially encouraged to attend, including:

- Realtors
- Local, State, and Federal Officials
- Bankers & Business
- Real Estate Appraisers
- Veterans
- Non-representative to the Mass Appraisal Process of the County Auditor

**TOPICS**

- Benefits, Ohio's Homestead Program
- VA loan process
- Conveyance of property procedures
- Mass appraisal process in Ohio: What's new?
- County Auditor's Real Estate Assessment webpage
- Housing options for Veterans in Fairfield County

**SCHEDULE**

Time	Topic	Presenter
8 a.m.	Welcome/Networking	Dr. Carri Brown, County Auditor Doree Gentry, County Commissioner Dr. Wendy County Center Jim Robinson, County Treasurer
8:15 a.m.	Communication Skills for Realtors & Officials who Work with Veterans	Dr. Carri Brown, County Auditor Ulrich Zastor, Consultant Department of the VA Clinic
8:45 a.m.	Tools for Inferring Fairfield County Veterans of Benefits Available	Julie Attridge, Assistant Director, Fairfield County Veterans Services
9 a.m.	VA Loans for Homes, the Process	Dr. Carri Brown, County Auditor Dan McFarlane, County Assessor
9:15 a.m.	Conveyance of Property Procedures of the County Auditor	Dr. Carri Brown, County Auditor Department of the Veterans Administration
9:30 a.m.	The Mass Appraisal Process: What is New?	Dr. Carri Brown, County Auditor Linda O'Toole, Esq., Board of Revision Administrator Department of the County Auditor's Office
10 a.m.	The County Auditor's Real Estate Website: Tips and Tricks to Help	Doree Gentry, Real Estate Director Linda O'Toole, Esq., Board of Revision Administrator
10:15 a.m.	Specific Housing Options in Fairfield County for Veterans	Dr. Carri Brown, County Auditor Department of Veterans Affairs Social Services
10:30 a.m.	Questions & Answers	All Participants

**REGISTER**

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## 2024 Weights and Measures Awards

This year marks the 3rd Annual Weights and Measures Awards of Excellence. The Fairfield County Agriculture Society and seven businesses from around Fairfield County were recognized for their excellence in weights and measures.

This year's awards focused on agricultural groups and businesses in Fairfield County. The businesses recognized for their customer service, dedication to fairness, and accuracy with weights and measures are:

- Fairfield County Agriculture Society
- Rushcreek Feed & Supply in Bremen
- Ruff's Seed Farm in Amanda
- Nutrien Ag Solutions in Thurston
- Walnut Creek Seeds LLC in Carroll
- Ochs Fruit Farm in Lancaster
- Hugus Fruit Farm in Rushville
- Bay Market/Bay Packing in Lancaster



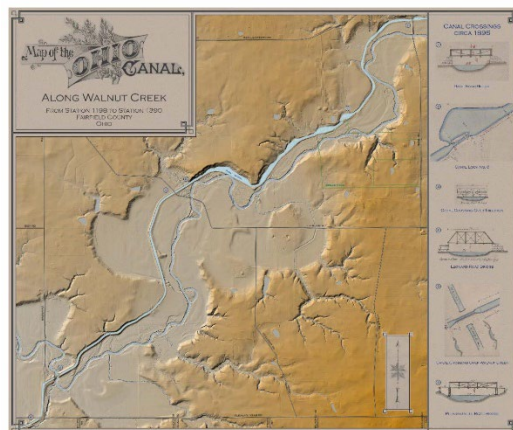
Patrick Brighton and Carter Corcoran will be visiting these businesses in the upcoming weeks to deliver their Certificates of Excellence.

## Community Connections

### Map of the Month - Ohio Canal & Walnut Creek

September's Map of the Month is a LiDAR view of the Ohio Canal along Walnut Creek highlighting the infrastructure that was built to make the canal system possible. Looking closely at the map you can also see how Walnut Creek has changed course over the years. A zoomable version of the map can be found [here](#).

This map will be featured at the upcoming "Harvest Celebration! 2024" at Smeck Park on September 14 & 15. For more information on the Harvest Celebration, visit the [Fairfield County Historic Parks](#).





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## Little Library is Re-Opened

Our little library underwent construction last month. Nick's son, Parker, renovated the Little Library as his 4H project. Parker outdid himself and made the Library look better than ever! Feel free to stop by and pick up a book or leave one behind.



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## United Way Day

We held our annual United Way office fundraiser day. Dr. Brown treated everyone to lunch and the staff donated over \$150 for those in need in the community.



# Getting to Know Our Team

## Wherever You (Lo)Go

Auditor Brown's grandchildren, Ava and Simon, spent a week in Lancaster this month. They even asked to take a LoGo photo!



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## Fair Fun!

The children of our staff have been very busy at the local fairs this year.

Michelle Wright's son, Brade, won several awards at the Perry County Fair, including Grand Champion Market Goat, Best of Show Doe, Champion Jr. Meat Breeding Boe, Champion Sr. Meat Breeding Doe, Champion Senior Goat Showman, and Outstanding Market Goat Exhibitor. Brade didn't stop with the Perry County Fair. He attended the Ohio State Fair and won Senior Champion Market Goat, as well as the 10<sup>th</sup> Overall Commercial Doe and 16 year old Outstanding Market Goat Exhibitor. Way to go, Brade!

Curt Truax's daughter, Peyton, participated in the Athens County Fair claiming High Point in Contest and winning three trophies and multiple ribbons. Great Job, Peyton!



## Back to School

All the kids are now back to school including these cuties from our staff.



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## Summer Potluck

The Auditor's Office never misses an opportunity to have a meal together. Earlier in the month, we had an office potluck with Noel and Josh manning the grill.



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## August Birthdays

- 15 – Rachel
- 16 – Carri
- 16 – Greg
- 22 – Bev
- 25 – Kit
- 29 - Meagen



# Resources



Follow Your Auditor's Office On  
**Social Media!**

Did you know we have over 4,275 followers across our four social media platforms? If you're not one of those 4,275, you should join and follow!

- [LinkedIn](#)
- [Facebook](#)
- [Instagram](#)
- [Twitter](#)
- [YouTube](#)

## Public Records Requests



The mode response time for public records requests to the County Auditor's Office is within one day. If you have a request, please contact Rachel Elsea at [rachel.elsea@fairfieldcountyohio.gov](mailto:rachel.elsea@fairfieldcountyohio.gov).

## Frequently Used Forms

Most of the County Auditor forms can be found on our website. Special thanks go out to Angel Horn, Deputy Auditor, for updating our vendor forms.

[Search Forms](#)

### September Dates of Interest

2 – Labor Day (County Offices Closed)  
26 – Real Estate Summit

# SAVE THE DATE

**September 26** – Real Estate Summit:  
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# State of the County: Growth, workforce development and transportation are the big issues



Jeff Barron

Lancaster Eagle-Gazette, August 29, 2024

LANCASTER – The Fairfield County commissioners have talked about growth, workforce development and transportation issues for much of the past couple of years. Those three topics were also the focus of Tuesday's annual State of the County address at the Liberty Center.

Commissioner Jeff Fix said previous county commissioners may have pushed issues like those aside and did little so as not to make waves to just get re-elected.



"They did the minimum," he said. "They kicked the can down the road. They left the big issues for someone else to deal with after they retired."

Fix said the current commission does not do that and that neither do the other county elected officials.

"They all want to move things forward to find new and better ways to serve our constituents and to look to the future and to figure the best we can how to prepare for it," he said.

Fix said that led the county to form a [land use plan](#) earlier this year to help deal with the expected growth in the county in coming years.



In order to deal with that growth, the commissioners have touting workforce development, especially at the [county workforce center in Carroll](#).

Commissioner Dave Levacy said employers need skilled workers and that the county is using many programs to provide them with workers. Levacy said younger workers must also know how to apply for a job, which he said some don't from his experience in owning Buckeye Lake Marina in Millersport.

"They don't present themselves well," he said. "So the first thing is a turnoff. That (learning) career readiness is very important. They know how to prepare a resume. They know how to present themselves and they know that it's important to show up on time. Today some young people think it's OK to show up for work 10, 15 minutes late. But it's not OK. So it's very good that they're being instructed on how to do that."

After Levacy spoke, commissioner Steve Davis talked about transportation, including the county's July 1 takeover of the [Lancaster-Fairfield Public Transit](#) system. He said as an Uber drive he's seen the struggle some have finding transportation to jobs and other places they need to go to.

Davis said some may call those with transportation issues lazy instead of living in poverty.

"What if they're trying to fight their way out?" he said. "That's really where I and my colleagues are coming from in terms of all these efforts that we're talking about today. Helping folks get the skills they need to get to work and trying to figure out if we can influence the price of living. And then how are they getting to and from work?"

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# H3

# The Fairfield County Hunger Coalition

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JEANNETTE CURTIS

FACILITATOR



# What is Hunger?

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## FOOD INSECURITY

- Food insecurity is defined by the USDA as the lack of access, at times, to enough food for an active, healthy life.
- Food insecurity is associated with numerous adverse social and health outcomes and is considered a critical public health issue

## COMPONENTS

Key drivers of food insecurity

- Unemployment
- Poverty
- Transportation Barriers
- Communication Barriers
- Income shocks



# Hunger in Fairfield County

- 19,490 people in Fairfield County were food insecure in 2022
  - Of those, 63% were above the SNAP eligibility threshold
- Food Pantries in Fairfield County provided over 1,000,000 meals in 2022
  - 20%, or 200,000 meals, were provided to people over 65 years old

FOOD INSECURE POPULATION IN FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO

19,490



ESTIMATED PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY AMONG FOOD INSECURE PEOPLE IN FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO



63% Above SNAP threshold

37% Below SNAP threshold of 130%

\*\* Data for 2022, <https://map.feedingamerica.org/county/2022/overall/ohio/county/fairfield> \*\*

# Hunger in Fairfield County

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2021

- 38,704 Calls
- 32%, or 12,765 calls, were food related

2022

- 54,172 Calls
- 41%, or 22,682 calls, were food related

2023

- 82,699 Calls
- 36%, or 30,327 calls, were food related



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# H3 The Fairfield County Hunger Coalition



## Our Commitment

Building a healthier  
Fairfield County by  
reducing Hunger;  
improving Health;  
and providing Hope

# Our Plan

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- Reduce HUNGER by improving access to nutritional resources
- Sustain HEALTH through advocacy and education
- Provide HOPE through community contributions and collaboration



# Current Needs in Fairfield County

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## Lutheran Social Services Homeless Shelter

- Evening meal

## Meals On Wheels

- Delivery Drivers
- One time volunteer opportunities
- Food 4 Paws Program

## Humane Society

- Critical Needs List

## Free Meal Sites

- Foundation
- First United/Maple Street
- Center of Hope

## Food Pantries

- Taxable Items
  - Paper products, hygiene items, cleaning supplies
- Soups
- Canned Fruit and Veggies

# Get Involved

Contact:

Jeannette Curtis, Executive Director

Fairfield County 2-1-1

(740) 687-0501

[jcurtis@fairfieldcounty211.org](mailto:jcurtis@fairfieldcounty211.org)

- Join the Hunger Coalition
- Give
  - Time – volunteer at a food pantry, deliver meals for Meals On Wheels, serve at a free meal site
  - Needed items – pantries and meal sites maintain a list of needed items
  - Monetary – give to local food programs that address hunger
- Help
  - Offer transportation to a grocery store
  - Offer to pick up and deliver groceries
  - Check on your neighbors and family, make sure they are not struggling
- Educate
  - Talk to people about hunger in our community
  - Teach someone to budget and shop effectively at the grocery
  - Share recipes, especially for items that people struggle to use...dry beans, bagged rice, fresh produce

REGULAR MEETING # 37 - 2024  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE  
SEPTEMBER 03, 2024

AGENDA FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 03, 2024

- 9:00 AM Review
- Regular Meeting
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Announcements
- Approval of Minutes for August 27, 2024
- Approval of Minutes for the August 27, 2024, State of the County Commissioners
- 2024-09.03.a A Resolution Authorizing the Approval of Proclamations [Commissioners]
- 2024-09.03.b A resolution to consider a petition to vacate a portion of an unimproved alley in Walnut Township and establish a viewing and hearing date. [Commissioners]
- 2024-09.03.c A resolution to consider a petition to vacate a portion of an unimproved public road, Fisher Street, in Walnut Township and establish a viewing and hearing date [Commissioners]
- 2024-09.03.d A resolution to approve a memo expense for interest allocation reimbursements for Fairfield Department of Health, Fairfield County Parks, & Fairfield County Port Authority – Fund #7012, #7321, #7308, & #7865. [Commissioners]
- Fairfield County Engineer
- 2024-09.03.e A Resolution to set a Commissioner's viewing date of September 24, 2024 at 12:30 p.m., and a final hearing date of October 1, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. to determine the necessity for establishing, altering, and widening of a culvert on Ginder Road (TR246) in Fairfield County, Ohio. [Engineer]
- 2024-09.03.f A Resolution to Approve the Contract Bid Award for the Salt Barn Concrete Pavement Project [Engineer]
- Fairfield County Job and Family Services
- 2024-09.03.g A Resolution to amend a previously approved Agreement between The Ohio State University and Fairfield County Job & Family Services, Fairfield County Child Protective Services (CPS) Division [JFS]
- 2024-09.03.h A resolution to approve a memo exp./ memo receipt for the costs of Bus Passes paid to Lancaster-Fairfield Public Transit as a memo expenditure for fund# 2072 Public Children's Services [JFS]

Fairfield County Regional Planning Commission

2024-09.03.i A resolution authorizing the approval of a CDBG Participation agreement by Fairfield County Board of Commissioners and the Village of Sugar Grove. [Regional Planning Commission]

South Central Major Crimes Unit

2024-09.03.j A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category for Major Crimes; 7844 (8339) DART GRANT. [Sheriff - Major Crimes Unit]

2024-09.03.k A resolution to request for appropriations for receipts for 24/25 AG DART Grant Major Crimes Unit 7844 [Sheriff - Major Crimes Unit]

2024-09.03.l A resolution authorizing an account to account transfer for MCU Fund 7874 Grant [Sheriff - Major Crimes Unit]

2024-09.03.m A resolution to request for appropriations for receipts for FY22 American Rescue Plan Major Crimes Unit 7892 [Sheriff - Major Crimes Unit]

Payment of Bills

2024-09.03.n A resolution authorizing the approval of payment of invoices for departments that need Board of Commissioners' approval. [Commissioners]

The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for September 10, 2024, 9:00 a.m.

Adjourn



**Regular Meeting #36 - 2024**  
**Fairfield County Commissioners' Office**  
**August 27, 2024**

**Review Meeting**

The Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. at 210 E. Main St., Lancaster, OH. Commissioner Levacy called the meeting to order, and the following Commissioners were present: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy. County employees present: County Administrator, Aundrea Cordle; Deputy County Administrator, Jeff Porter; Clerk to the Board of Commissioners, Rochelle Menningen; Communications and Information Coordinator, Bennett Niceswanger; Budget Director, Bart Hampson; JFS Director, Corey Clark; IT Director, Dan Neeley; Facilities & EMA Director, Jon Kochis; Economic & Workforce Development Director, Rick Szabrak; Utilities Director, Tony Vogel; Assistant Prosecuting Attorneys, Austin Lines and Steven Darnell; Auditor, Dr. Carri Brown; Operations Director, Jason Grubb; RPC Interim Director, Holly Mattei; Recorder, Lisa McKenzie; Treasurer, Jim Bahnsen; Sheriff's Deputy, Gary Hummel; FCFC Manager, Tiffany Wilson; and JFS Deputy Director, Heather O'Keefe. Also in attendance: Sherry Pymmer, Barb Martin, Frank Martin, Ray Stemen, Resa Tobin, Teri Watson, Tom Hart, and Jeff Feyko.

Virtual attendees: Amy Brown-Thompson, Park Russell, Jessica Murphy, Jeff Barron, Shelby Hunt, Lori Hawk, Lynette Barnhart, Lori Lovas, Aubrey Ward, Steve, Jeanie Wears, Deborah, Keith M, Andrea Spires, Matt Nihiser, Ashley Arter, Nikki Drake, and Britney Lee.

**Welcome**

Commissioner Levacy opened the meeting by welcoming everyone in attendance.

**Heart Watch**

Baylie Blevins, on behalf of the Fairfield County Healthcare Coalition, was pleased to announce the placement of 16 AED's in county buildings.

Teri Watson, Chair of Community Heartwatch, stated Fairfield County is one of the first seven communities in the country to develop a network of connected AED's to save lives, and thanked the Commissioners for their support of the initiative.

Administrator Cordle wished to thank Garrett Blevins with EMA for facilitating the AED implementation in county buildings.

Teri stated their initial goal was to have 100 in the community and they are now up to 153, with an end of year goal of 200.

Matt Wideman stated that the banks also got involved and have bought 30 AED's.

Commissioner Davis was thrilled the Commissioners could help to play a part in this initiative.

**Public Comment**

Ray Stemen gave his appreciation for the long life he has lived and the people he has met over the course of his life.

Attorney Jeff Feyko offered his support for the annexation resolution. The Village of Baltimore has been in discussion with the developer of that property and the developer is motivated to annex into the village to receive village services.

Commissioner Davis stated it is unusual for the Commissioners to interact with those during Public Comment but this interaction directly relates to county legislation.

**Regular Meeting #36 - 2024**  
**Fairfield County Commissioners' Office**  
**August 27, 2024**

**Legal Update**

None.

**County Administration Update**

- *The County Administration Update was provided by County Administrator, Aundrea Cordle, unless otherwise noted.*

**Week in Review**

*State of the County*

We are looking forward to hosting folks at the annual State of the County today at the Liberty Center beginning at 11:00. Thank you to the Lancaster Fairfield County Chamber of Commerce for their assistance with this event.

Commissioner Levacy thanked the team for all the work that went into the prep for the State of the County.

**Highlights of Resolutions**

*Administrative Approvals*

The review packet contains a list of administrative approvals.

*Resolution Review*

There are 24 resolutions on the agenda for the Regular voting meeting.

Resolutions of note:

- A resolution to set viewing dates and a hearing date to determine the necessity for the Engineer's Office to establish, alter or widen roads, bridges, culverts, and a lakeside drainage area. The viewings will occur at specified times and locations on September 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> and the hearing will be held at 9:15 a.m. on September 24<sup>th</sup>.
- A resolution to approve a Type II Expedited Annexation of 87 +/- acres from Walnut Township to the Village of Baltimore.
- A resolution authorizing the certification of Drainage Maintenance Districts to the Fairfield County Auditor's Office.

Director Hampson thanked those involved in the work for the drainage maintenance district for their collaboration.

- There are three resolutions to appropriate from unappropriated in Fund #2876, for ARP fiscal recovery funding.
- A resolution amending the previously approved service agreement between JFS and Transit. This amendment is in response to the nature and amount incurred after the implementation of the services in the contract.

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Director Szabrak stated this is in response to Transit's need to hire some additional schedulers.

- A resolution to approve the contract for books from Legal Research Services for the Law Library.
- A resolution authorizing the Tyler Tech software service agreement (SaaS) with the Sheriff's Office.
- A resolution authorizing an ARP subgrant agreement between DD and Transit for an accessible vehicle not to exceed \$100,000.

Commissioner Davis, Director Hampson, Treasurer Bahnsen, and Auditor Brown discussed the current status of the All Funds Budget.

**Budget Review**

- No Budget Review

**Calendar Review/Invitations Received**

*Items Requiring Response*

*Informational Items*

- CCAO/CEAO Central Region Meeting, October 4, 2024, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Champaign County Community Center, 1512 South U.S. Highway 68, Urbana

**Correspondence**

- Memo, Dr. Brown, County Auditor, August 22, 2024, Subjects: Making Numbers Count: Net Position, Assessed Valuation and New Construction; Public Records Requests & Social Media Followers; FYIs: Save the Dates Included
- Fairfield County Auditor's Wins of the Week, August 22, 2024
- CCAO Summer 2024 "County Leader" Now Available
- "Visit Fairfield County, Ohio," 2023 Tourism Economic Impact Report
- "The Ohio Visitor Economy, Fairfield County 2023," *Tourism Economics, An Oxford Economics Company*, June 2024
- Fairfield County Board of Developmental Disabilities, "Imagine," August 2024

**Old Business**

Commissioner Fix attended the CCAO Summer Symposium where he had the opportunity to hear from county commissioners from all over the state.

Commissioner Davis offered his apologies for having to leave early last week during the meeting.

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**New Business**

The Commissioners expressed their excitement for the State of the County Address later in the day.

Auditor Brown stated the Village of Lithopolis will be forming a Tax Incentive Review Committee (TIRC) and will soon be seeking appointments from the Commissioners to serve on the TIRC. She will also be submitting some proclamations of recognition to be considered for the meeting next week.

Director Szabrak hosted the parent night meeting at the Workforce Center and saw 30 students attend in-person and 8 attend virtually. It continues to have increased participation and he anticipates students from every school district in the county will be enrolled this year through different programs at the Workforce Center.

Director Kochis stated the AC units at the Workforce Center will be installed Friday, August 30th.

**Regular (Voting) Meeting**

The Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. at 210 E. Main St., Lancaster, OH. Commissioner Levacy called the meeting to order, and the following Commissioners were present: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy. County employees present: County Administrator, Aundrea Cordle; Deputy County Administrator, Jeff Porter; Clerk to the Board of Commissioners, Rochelle Menningen; Communications and Information Coordinator, Bennett Niceswanger; Budget Director, Bart Hampson; JFS Director, Corey Clark; IT Director, Dan Neeley; Facilities & EMA Director, Jon Kochis; Economic & Workforce Development Director, Rick Szabrak; Utilities Director, Tony Vogel; Assistant Prosecuting Attorneys, Austin Lines and Steven Darnell; Auditor, Dr. Carri Brown; Operations Director, Jason Grubb; RPC Interim Director, Holly Mattei; Recorder, Lisa McKenzie; Treasurer, Jim Bahnsen; Sheriff's Deputy, Gary Hummel; FCFC Manager, Tiffany Wilson; and JFS Deputy Director, Heather O'Keefe. Also in attendance: Sherry Pymer, Barb Martin, Frank Martin, Ray Stemen, Tom Hart, and Jeff Feyko.

Virtual attendees: Amy Brown-Thompson, Jessica Murphy, Shelby Hunt, Lori Hawk, Lynette Barnhart, Lori Lovas, Aubrey Ward, Steve, Deborah, Keith M, Andrea Spires, Matt Nihiser, Ashley Arter, Nikki Drake, and Britney Lee.

**Announcements**

Clerk Menningen stated the resolution listed under the Emergency Management Agency should instead be considered as a resolution for the South Central Major Crimes Unit.

**Approval of Minutes for August 20, 2024**

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the Minutes for the Tuesday, August 20, 2024, meeting.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:  
Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy

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**Approval of Resolutions from the Fairfield County Commissioners**

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following resolutions from the Fairfield County Commissioners:

- 2024-08.27.a A Resolution to Set Viewing Dates for the Board of Commissioners of September 10, 2024, and September 17, 2024; and a Final Hearing Date of September 24, 2024, at 9:15 a.m., to Determine the Necessity for Establishing, Altering, and Widening of Various Roads, Bridges, Culverts, and Drainage Areas in Fairfield County, Ohio
- 2024-08.27.b A resolution to approve the annexation of 87.0 +/- acres from Walnut Township to the Village of Baltimore, Expedited Type II, pursuant to ORC 709.023, Annexation of Land by the agent for petitioners, Thomas Hart.
- 2024-08.27.c A Resolution Authorizing the Certification of Drainage Maintenance Districts to the Fairfield County Auditor's Office
- 2024-08.27.d A resolution approving to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category relating to the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Fiscal Recovery Fund# 2876
- 2024-08.27.e A resolution approving to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category relating to the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Fiscal Recovery Fund# 2876
- 2024-08.27.f A resolution to approve an authorized use of American Rescue Plan fiscal recovery funding and appropriate from unappropriated funds for the County ARP fiscal recovery fund, #2876, for the renovation of the Fairfield Center

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy

**Approval of a Resolution from the South Central Major Crimes Unit**

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following resolution from the South Central Major Crimes Unit:

- 2024-08.27.g A resolution authorizing an account to account transfer for MCU Fund 7829 (Sub fund 8311) JAG Grant

Commissioner Davis expressed his appreciation for the direction MCU is headed.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy

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**Approval of a Resolution from the Fairfield County Engineer**

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following resolution from the Fairfield County Engineer:

2024-08.27.h        A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category County Engineer 2024-Motor Vehicle for contractual services

Jason Grubb stated the salt barn construction will begin October 17<sup>th</sup>.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy

**Approval of Resolutions from the Fairfield County Family and Children First Council**

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following resolutions from the Fairfield County Family and Children First Council:

2024-08.27.i        A resolution authorizing the SFY 2025 Help Me Grow Early Intervention Contract for Services between the Fairfield County Commissioners, as administrative agent for the Fairfield County Family and Children First Council and the Lancaster-Fairfield Community Action Agency

2024-08.27.j        A resolution to approve a memo exp./ memo receipt for the costs of Personnel for July Activity paid to Fairfield County Health Departments as a memo expenditure for fund# 7521 Family Children First Council

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:

Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy

**Approval of Resolutions from Fairfield County Job and Family Services**

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following resolutions from Fairfield County Job and Family Services:

2024-08.27.k        A resolution authorizing an amendment to the previously approved a Purchase of Service Agreement between Lancaster-Fairfield Public Transit and Fairfield County Job and Family Services.

2024-08.27.l        A resolution authorizing the approval to extend the repayment date of an advance of funds – Fund (2072) Public Children Services, sub-fund (8182) EPIC Grant

2024-08.27.m        A Resolution to Approve a Title IV-D Contract between Fairfield County Job & Family Services, Child Support Enforcement Agency and Jeffrey Feyko

2024-08.27.n        A Resolution to Approve a Title IV-D Contract between Fairfield County Job & Family Services, Child Support Enforcement Agency and Mary Ann Boone

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2024-08.27.o      A Resolution to Approve a Title IV-D Contract between Fairfield County Job & Family Services, Child Support Enforcement Agency and Powers Investigations, LLC

Administrator Cordle thanked Attorney Jeff Feyko for his service to JFS over the years.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:  
Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy

**Approval of Resolutions from the Fairfield County Juvenile and Probate Court**

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following resolutions from the Fairfield County Juvenile and Probate Court:

2024-08.27.p      A Resolution to Appropriate from Unappropriated in a Major Expenditure Object Category for Juvenile Court; Fund #2036, DYS Reclaim

2024-08.27.q      A Resolution Approving an Account-to-Account Transfer into a Major Expenditure Object Category – Fund #2036, DYS Reclaim

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:  
Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy

**Approval of a Resolution from the Fairfield County Law Library**

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following resolution from the Fairfield County Law Library:

2024-08.27.r      A resolution to approve the Contract for Legal Research Services - Books for the Fairfield County Law Library

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:  
Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy

**Approval of a Resolution from the Fairfield County Regional Planning Commission**

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following resolution from the Fairfield County Regional Planning Commission:

2024-08.27.s      A Resolution to Approve a Change Order #2 for the CDBG PY2022 Village of Pleasantville – Pool Concrete Deck Improvements Project

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:  
Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy

**Approval of Resolutions from the Fairfield County Sheriff**

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following resolutions from the Fairfield County Sheriff:

2024-08.27.t      A resolution authorizing the approval Tyler Technologies (Tyler Tech) Software as a Service agreement (SaaS) with the Fairfield County Sheriff's office.

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2024-08.27.u      A resolution approving an account-to-account transfer into a major expenditure object category.

2024-08.27.v      Appropriate from unappropriated into a major expenditure object category.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:  
Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy

**Approval of a Resolution from Lancaster-Fairfield Public Transit**

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following resolution from Lancaster-Fairfield Public Transit:

2024-08.27.w      A Resolution Authorizing the Approval of an American Rescue Plan Act Fiscal Recovery Subgrant Agreement with the Fairfield County Board of Developmental Disabilities, the Fairfield County Commissioners, and Lancaster Fairfield Public Transit

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:  
Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy

**Approval of the Payment of Bills**

On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to approve the following resolution for the Payment of Bills:

2024-08.27.x      A resolution authorizing the approval of payment of invoices for departments that need Board of Commissioners' approval.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:  
Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy

**Adjournment**

With no further business, On the motion of Jeff Fix and the second of Steve Davis, the Board of Commissioners voted to adjourn at 9:48 a.m.

Roll call vote of the motion resulted as follows:  
Voting aye thereon: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy

The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room, 210 E. Main St., Lancaster, OH.





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**2024 State of the County**

Registration for the State of the County address officially began at 11:00 a.m., at the Liberty Center, 951 Liberty Dr., Lancaster, OH. The following Commissioners were present: Jeff Fix, Steve Davis and Dave Levacy. There were approximately three-hundred and forty two in attendance including County Administrator, Aundrea Cordle, the Commissioners' staff, elected officials from Fairfield County and the State of Ohio, and residents and business owners from throughout the region.

**Welcome**

Travis Markwood, President of the Lancaster Fairfield County Chamber of Commerce, welcomed everyone to the 2024 State of the County Address and spoke about the event sponsors. Kim Barlag, President of the Pickerington Chamber of Commerce, acknowledged all of the elected officials in attendance.

**Posting of the Colors/Pledge of Allegiance**

The Sheriff's Color Guard Posted the Colors and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Markwood.

**Invocation**

Dr. David Uhl, Superintendent of the Fairfield County Board of Developmental Disabilities, gave the invocation.

**Introduction of County Commissioners and County Administrator**

Mr. Markwood introduced County Administrator Aundrea Cordle as the first speaker.

**County Administrator Aundrea Cordle**

County Administrator Aundrea Cordle welcomed everyone in attendance to the 2024 State of the County Address. She thanked the Chamber staff and Pickerington Chamber for their assistance. She focused on the "Power of Your Word" and what it means. Keeping your word is a critical component of any relationship. People quickly learn if someone has a history of not being able to keep their word. It not only is about respecting others, but respecting yourself and leading by example. She tied this idea back to the promises made and promises kept by the county and the County Commissioners. She explained that each of the three Commissioners will look back on recent years and look back on the initiatives that started as ideas or problems to solve, and will follow up with the progress that has been made over the last few years. She shared some of the big accomplishments with the Strategic Plan and drew attention to the centerpieces that detail the great progress that has been made in these areas of focus the county has been working on. She was also excited to feature how the county invested in the community with investments provided by the American Rescue Plan fiscal recovery funds, which ties directly back to the Strategic Plan.

**Commissioner Jeff Fix**

Commissioner Jeff Fix stated that Commissioners' predecessors had a tendency to fly under the radar in an attempt to continue getting reelected. He thanked his colleagues and other county elected officials and department heads for not doing the bare minimum and doing the things that are unpopular, but necessary. He provided his belief that if the County removes barriers to

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working then it can help to decrease generational poverty. He spoke on the housing crisis and the disproportionate cost of housing versus other necessary expenditures. Without affordable places to live, other areas of people's lives are impacted as a result. He conducted a housing symposium several years ago to explain to local governments the need for smart growth and planning. Due to initial push-back, the Comprehensive Land Use Plan was pulled back for reevaluation. Commissioner Fix began meeting with each township, city and village to discuss the plan in greater depth. The County is on track to have cooperative agreements with various townships, cities and villages as a result of these discussions. By using new tax structures to have developers help pay for improvements in their areas, the County can save the taxpayer from any additional costs. He concluded by cementing that what the County is doing is only going to benefit residents, and introduced Commissioner Dave Levacy.

**Commissioner Dave Levacy**

Commissioner Dave Levacy thanked Commissioner Fix for all his help with housing and the Land Use Plan. He began his remarks by sharing that the country has experienced a sharp decline in the younger generations participating in the workforce. Years ago, he led the charge to build a Workforce Center in Fairfield County. His vision since the beginning has been to provide people with the skills to start their career and get good paying local jobs where they can be contributing members of their communities and flourish. The career readiness program has been a very important tool for the development of young professionals in their careers. The County has been working to build interest in junior high students in multiple areas of the trades at summer camps offered by the Workforce Center so they can be exposed to different career opportunities. More than 1000 students in Fairfield County have already received career readiness endorsements since the program began. He shared some success stories of students who went through the program and are now excelling in their fields, even receiving multiple promotions. The County is working to add more programs at the Workforce Center to increase the diversity of job skills and respond to the needs of the major companies coming to central Ohio. In conclusion of his remarks, Commissioner Levacy introduced Commissioner Steve Davis

**Commissioner Steve Davis**

Commissioner Davis thanked everyone in attendance for joining in a record breaking State of the County Address. He has been moved by what he has learned in his time as an Uber driver. He has learned that many of the people who are in poverty are trying to fight their way out but are unable due to a lack of transportation resources. Beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>, the County officially assumed governance of Lancaster-Fairfield Public Transit. Given the increasing importance of available transportation services, he believes this transition makes the most sense. Fairfield County is looking to improve transit in multiple ways besides buses. He also emphasized that the number of teenagers getting their drivers licenses is down to just 50%, which restricts their ability to get their first job. The Commissioners are not by law required to partake in these services, but they do so for the wellbeing of Fairfield County citizens. Another such initiative not required of the Commissioners was a pilot program to mitigate costs of electricity usage by installing a solar field on county property. These fiscal decisions that have resulted in positive impacts on the budget. Pivoting back to Transit, he believes the County is doing the right thing, and stated that in the past year, 100,000 people have called Transit and successfully got a ride. The on-demand services have also dramatically improved. The nature of the calls he has received as an Uber driver has changed as well, which he believes reflects the impact Transit has had on the community. He also announced the rebranding campaign of Lancaster-Fairfield Public Transit and encouraged everyone to give their best name suggestions. Finally, he thanked everyone for attending a record breaking State of the County.



**A Resolution Authorizing the Approval of Proclamations**

**WHEREAS**, it is the pleasant responsibility of the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners to recognize people, organizations, and occasions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commissioners have reviewed and approved the attached proclamations.

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**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, FAIRFIELD COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO:**

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**Section 1.** That the Board of Commissioners approves the attached Proclamations of Recognition.

Prepared by: Rochelle Menningen

# Fairfield County Board of Commissioners

## *A Proclamation Recognizing September 2-6, 2024 as National Payroll Appreciation Week*

**WHEREAS**, it is the pleasant responsibility of the Fairfield County Commissioners to recognize people, organizations, and occasions of outstanding achievement and significance;

**WHEREAS**, we recognize the importance of making sure all 850+ county employees, *and* employees of related entities are paid accurately and on time;

**WHEREAS**, not only should county payroll officers and payroll management be recognized, but those who provide payroll services in the private sector should be recognized, too;

**WHEREAS**, payroll is a complex topic, and payroll officers are worthy of recognition for their tireless efforts to ensure every employee is properly compensated;

**WHEREAS**, according to the American Payroll Association, payroll professionals collect data, deposit funds and report upon as much as [70% of the annual revenue of the U.S. Treasury](#);

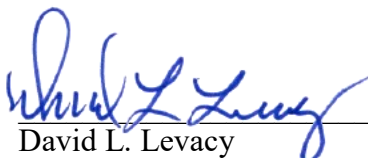
**WHEREAS**, the role of payroll officers is to ensure employees are paid according to approved schedules in compliance with multiple regulations and policy;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners, does hereby formally declare its respect for and recognition of:

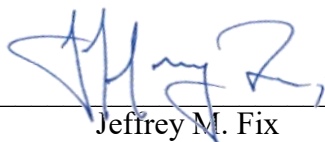
*September 2-6, 2024, as National Payroll Appreciation Week.*

We value the importance of payroll officers for their dedication and accountability. National Payroll Week is a good time to say “thank you” to payroll officers and remind them that their work is appreciated.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, we have hereunto subscribed our names and caused the seal of the County of Fairfield to be affixed to this Proclamation on the 3rd Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Four.



David L. Levacy  
Commissioner



Jeffrey M. Fix  
Commissioner



Steven A. Davis  
Commissioner

# Fairfield County Board of Commissioners

## *A Proclamation Recognizing September as Hunger Action Month*

**WHEREAS**, Hunger Action Month was established by Feeding America back in 2008, when it decided it was time for a nationwide push to get involved with the hunger crisis across the country; and

**WHEREAS**, the goal of this month-long campaign is to raise awareness of hunger in our country and in Fairfield County and to promote ways for individuals everywhere to get involved in the effort to fight to prevent anyone from being hungry. During September people help to feed the needy in their neighborhood and country, working to ensure that the 48 million people who live with hunger every day can get some relief ; and

**WHEREAS**, food shouldn't be an impossible choice. Yet, for millions of people in America, a daily meal isn't a choice between different dishes. It's a choice between food and other crucial needs—like medicine, electricity, or childcare ; and

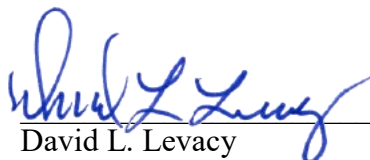
**WHEREAS**, the Fairfield County Hunger Coalition works to combat food insecurity, improve health, and provide hope to the residents of the county through improving access to nutritional resources, health advocacy and education, and community contributions and collaborations.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners does hereby formally declare its recognition of:

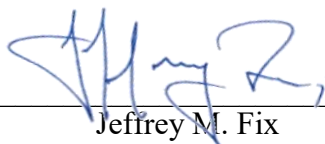
### *September as Hunger Action Month*

Fairfield County asks all able residents to volunteer at Meals on Wheels or a food pantry, help pick up groceries for a neighbor or family who may be struggling, donate items or money to a local food pantry, teach someone to shop effectively at the grocery, and/or share health and economical recipes with those who are struggling.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, we have hereunto subscribed our names and caused the seal of the County of Fairfield to be affixed to this Proclamation on the 3rd Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Four.



David L. Levacy  
Commissioner



Jeffrey M. Fix  
Commissioner



Steven A. Davis  
Commissioner

# Fairfield County Board of Commissioners

## *A Proclamation Recognizing Weights and Measures Excellence*

**WHEREAS**, it is the pleasant responsibility of the Fairfield County Commissioners to recognize people, organizations, and occasions of outstanding achievement and significance;

**WHEREAS**, the following agriculture focused organizations and businesses are being recognized for their customer service, dedication to fairness, and accuracy with Weights & Measures:

**Fairfield County Agriculture Society** has done a lot for the community. They recently replaced their livestock scales used for weigh-in events supporting their dedication to fairness and accuracy. They recently invited the County Auditor and the Weights and Measures team an opportunity to demonstrate the certification of a scale to the Fairfield County Jr. and Sr. Fair Board members.

**Agriculture businesses** located across the county proudly partner with the Weights and Measure's team to ensure their scales are accurately calibrated for consistent measuring standards.

**Rushcreek Feed & Supply Co. Inc** located in Bremen, Ohio.

**Ruff's Seed Farm** located in Amanda, Ohio.

**Nutrien Ag Solutions** located in Thurston, Ohio.

**Walnut Creek Seeds LLC.** located in Carroll, Ohio.

**Ochs Fruit Farm** located in Lancaster, Ohio.

**Hugus Fruit Farm** located in Rushville, Ohio.

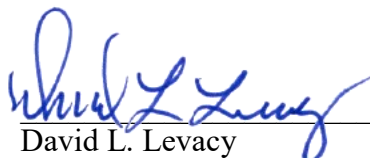
**Bay Market/Bay Packing** has been serving Lancaster and the surrounding communities since 1932. They are the only fully inspected red meat facility in Fairfield County. They are always courteous and supportive with our Weights and Measures inspections.

**WHEREAS**, the diligence of these agriculture supported organizations and businesses ensure their customers and the community are receiving what they are paying for serves as an example of excellent service;

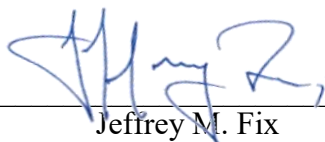
**NOW THEREFORE**, the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners does hereby formally declare its respect for and recognition of exceptional accountability with Weights and Measures to:

*Fairfield County Agriculture Society  
Fairfield County Agriculture Businesses  
Bay Market/Bay Packing*

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, we have hereunto subscribed our names and caused the seal of the County of Fairfield to be affixed to this Proclamation on the 3rd Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Four.



David L. Levacy  
Commissioner



Jeffrey M. Fix  
Commissioner



Steven A. Davis  
Commissioner



# Fairfield County Board of Commissioners

## *A Proclamation Recognizing September as National Preparedness Month*

**WHEREAS**, "National Preparedness Month" creates an important opportunity for every resident of Fairfield County to prepare their homes, businesses, and communities for any type of emergency including natural disasters and potential terrorist attacks; and

**WHEREAS**, investing in the preparedness of ourselves, our families, businesses and communities can reduce fatalities and economic devastation in our communities and in our nation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Ready Campaign, Citizen Corps, and other federal, state, local, private, and volunteer agencies are working to increase public activities in preparing for emergencies and to educate individuals on how to take action; and

**WHEREAS**, emergency preparedness is the responsibility of every citizen of Fairfield County and citizens are urged to make preparedness a priority and work together, as a team, to ensure that individuals, families, and communities are prepared for disasters and emergencies of any type; and

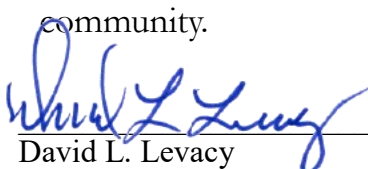
**WHEREAS**, by participating in National Preparedness Month, Fairfield County can join and support the Nation and State of Ohio in strengthening community and regional resiliency; and

**WHEREAS**, all citizens of Fairfield County are encouraged to participate in citizen preparedness activities and are asked to visit the websites of the Ready campaign at [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov) to become more prepared.

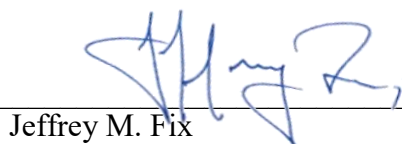
**NOW THEREFORE**, the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners does hereby formally declare September 2024, as

### **National Preparedness Month**

Throughout the county all citizens and businesses are encouraged to develop an emergency preparedness plan and to work together toward creating a resilient community.



David L. Levacy  
Commissioner



Jeffrey M. Fix  
Commissioner



Steven A. Davis  
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Signature Page

Resolution No. 2024-09.03.a

A Resolution Authorizing the Approval of Proclamations

(Fairfield County Commissioners)

This resolution has not yet been voted on.

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

It is hereby certified that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon by the Board of County Commissioners, Fairfield County, Ohio on the date noted above.

**A resolution to consider a petition to vacate a portion of an unimproved alley in Walnut Township and establish a viewing and hearing date.**

**WHEREAS**, Section 5553.04 of the Ohio Revised Code, provides that when the Board of County Commissioners is of the opinion that it will be necessary for the public convenience and welfare to locate, establish, alter, widen, straighten, vacate, or change the direction of a public road, it shall so declare by resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Ronald Priest and Mrs. Julie Priest request to vacate a portion of the unimproved alley per the attached diagram.

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**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, STATE OF OHIO:**

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**SECTION 1:** that Tuesday, September 24, 2024 at 1:10 p.m. on the line of said property to be vacated, is hereby fixed as the time and place for viewing in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition of Taylor's Sandy Beach, Walnut Township.

**SECTION 2:** that Tuesday, October 1, 2024 at 9:36 a.m., in the Hearing Room of The Fairfield County Board of Commissioners, the same is hereby fixed as the time and place for final hearing for the above vacation.

**SECTION 3:** that the Clerk of this Board be and is hereby directed to cause legal publication thereof to be made in accordance with the law and to return a signed copy of this Resolution to the Engineer.

Prepared by: Bennett Niceswanger  
cc: Engineer's Office

## Menningen, Rochelle M

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**From:** Menningen, Rochelle M  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 8, 2024 3:27 PM  
**To:** Camechis, Jeffrey G; Darnell, Steven T; Brown-Thompson, Amy L; Lines, Austin R  
**Subject:** Vacation of Alley  
**Attachments:** 0475\_001.pdf


Hello,

Please see the attached vacation of an alley. If you have concerns or comments, please let me know by Friday, 8/16/24.

Thanks,

Rochelle Menningen  
Clerk to the Board of Commissioners

 210 E Main St.  
Lancaster, OH  
43130

 740-652-7893 (t)  
614-406-5996 (c)  
740-652-7090 (o)



 rochelle.menningen@fairfieldcountyohio.gov

**From:** fcsmtuser@fairfieldcountyohio.gov <fcsmtuser@fairfieldcountyohio.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 8, 2024 1:03 PM  
**To:** Menningen, Rochelle M <rochelle.menningen@fairfieldcountyohio.gov>  
**Subject:** Attached Image



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Rochelle Menningen

August 8, 2024

Walnut Township Trustees  
11420 Millersport Rd. NE  
Millersport, OH 43046

Dear Walnut Township Trustees,

The Fairfield County Board of Commissioners have received a petition to vacate an alley in Walnut Township (please see attached.)

Please review the attached petition and, if you choose to provide a resolution of support, submit it to the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners at your earliest convenience.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at [rochelle.menningen@fairfeildcountyohio.gov](mailto:rochelle.menningen@fairfeildcountyohio.gov).

Thank you,  
Rochelle Menningen,  
Clerk to the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners

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MUST BE PROPERTY OWNERS, NOT RENTERS

Petitioner's Signature Printed Name	Mailing Address
SONJA HOFFMANN <i>Sonja Hoffmann</i>	12461 TAYLOR AVE NE MILLERSPORT, OH 43046
Denise Holstein <i>Denise Holstein</i>	12436 Taylor Ave NE Millersport OH 43046
DUANE Holstein <i>Duane Holstein</i>	12436 Taylor Ave MILLERSPORT, OH 43046
JAMES GILMER <i>James Gilmer</i>	12450 TAYLOR AVE MILLERSPORT OH 43046
Kelly Gilmer <i>Kelly Gilmer</i>	12450 TAYLOR AVE MILLERSPORT OH 43046
RON Smith <i>Ron Smith</i>	3906 Old Millersport OH 43046
Sue Smith SUE SMITH	3906 S. Bank Rd Millersport, OH 43046
<i>Richard L</i> Richard L Hove Jr	3872 S. BANK RD NE MILLERSPORT OH 43046
Danny Hall <i>Danny Hall</i>	12460 Taylor Ave Millersport OH 43046
Patricia Zollinger <i>Patricia Zollinger</i>	12186 Lake Rd. NE Millersport 43046
David Zollinger <i>David Zollinger</i>	12186 Lake Rd. NE. Millersport, Ohio 43046
LINDA L. FARLEY <i>Linda L Farley</i>	12580 Lake Rd. N.E. Millersport, Oh 43046

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<u>Petitioner's Signature</u> Printed Name	<u>Mailing Address</u>
William H. Farley <del>William H. Farley</del>	12580 LAKE RD Millersport Road 43046
Julie Priest Julie Priest	12445 Taylor Ave. NE Millersport, OH 43046
RONALD Priest Ronald Priest	12445 Taylor Ave. NE Millersport, OH 43046

petitioner

petitioner

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AUG 06 2024

**PUBLIC ROAD PETITION**

(Rev. Code, Sec. 5553.04)

Fairfield County Commissioners

*R. Pennington*  
*Clerk to*  
*the Board*  
*of Commissioners*

Lancaster, Ohio

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners of Fairfield County, Ohio:

*The undersigned petitioners, freeholders of said County, residing in the vicinity of the proposed improvement hereinafter described, respectfully represent that the public convenience and welfare require the 1 VACATING of 2 AN UNIMPROVED ALLEY on the line hereinafter described and make application to you to institute and order proper proceedings in the premises, for 1 VACATING such alley; the same 3 NOT being a road on the State Highway System.*

Situated in the State of Ohio, County of Fairfield and in the Township of Walnut, Range 18, Township 17, Section 27. Being an unnamed, unimproved alley, 12 feet wide located on the west side of Lot 74, as platted on Taylor's Sandy Beach, 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition, and recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 31 in the Fairfield County Recorder's Office.

*The following is the general route and termini of said portion of road.*

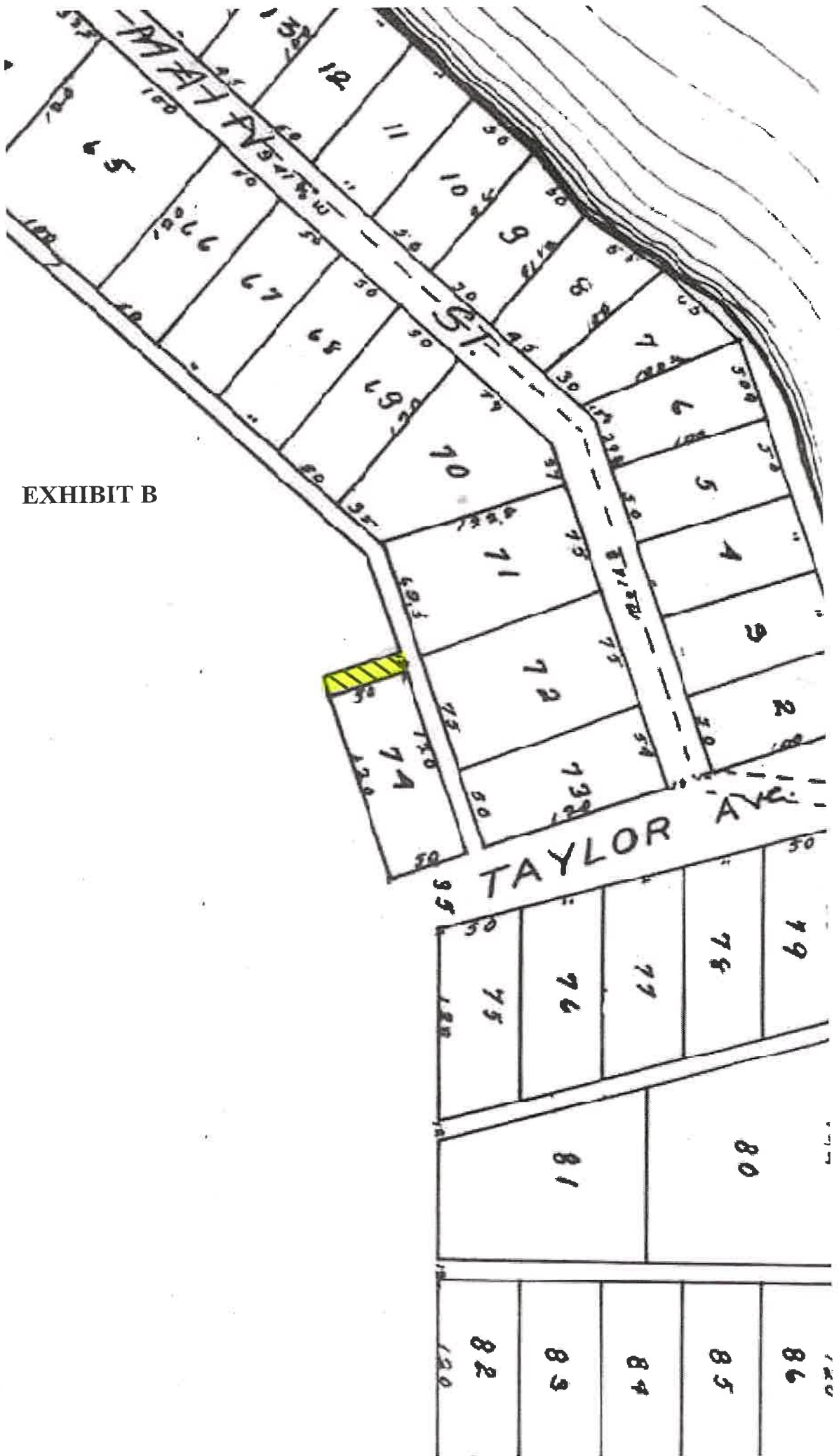
Beginning at the northwest corner of Lot 74 and at the northeast corner of the above mentioned alley; thence south along the east line of said alley to the southwest corner of Lot 74 and being the southeast corner of said alley; thence west on along the south line of said alley to the southwest corner thereof; thence north along the west line of said alley to the northwest corner thereof; thence east to the point of beginning. The unimproved alley to be vacated is hatched on the attached copies of said plat on Exhibits A and B.

1. "Locating," "establishing," "altering," "widening," "straightening," "vacating," or "changing the direction of."
2. Insert "a part of," if so.
3. If the proposed improvement is on the State Highway System the approval of the Director of Highways shall be had before proceeding further. See Sec. 5553.02 O.R.C.
4. Here set forth the general route and termini of the road, or part thereof, to be located, established, or vacated, or the general manner in which such road is to be altered, widened, straightened, or the direction thereof changed.





EXHIBIT B



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**PUBLIC ROAD PETITION**

(Rev. Code, Sec. 5553.04)

Fairfield County Commissioners

Lancaster, Ohio

*R. Menninger*  
*Clerk to*  
*the Board*  
*of Commissioners*

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners of Fairfield County, Ohio:

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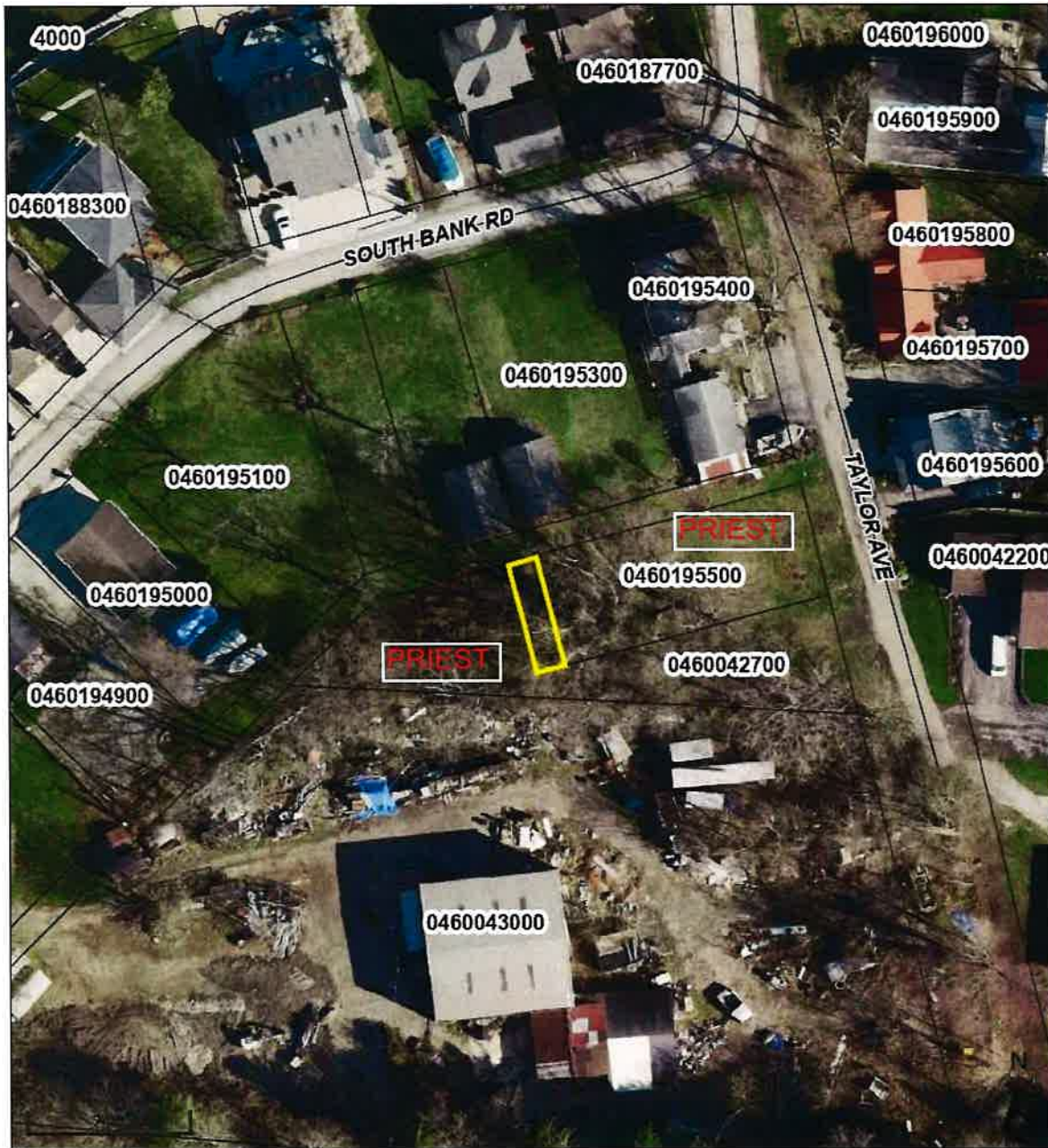
The undersigned petitioners, freeholders of said County, residing in the vicinity of the proposed improvement hereinafter described, respectfully represent that the public convenience and welfare require the 1 VACATING of 2 ~~AN UNIMPROVED ALLEY~~ on the line hereinafter described and make application to you to institute and order proper proceedings in the premises, for 1 VACATING such alley; the same 3 NOT being a road on the State Highway System.

Situated in the State of Ohio, County of Fairfield and in the Township of Walnut, Range 18, Township 17, Section 27. Being an unnamed, unimproved alley, 12 feet wide located on the west side of Lot 74, as platted on Taylor's Sandy Beach, 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition, and recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 31 in the Fairfield County Recorder's Office.

The following is the general route and termini of said portion of road.

Beginning at the northwest corner of Lot 74 and at the northeast corner of the above mentioned alley; thence south along the east line of said alley to the southwest corner of Lot 74 and being the southeast corner of said alley; thence west on along the south line of said alley to the southwest corner thereof; thence north along the west line of said alley to the northwest corner thereof; thence east to the point of beginning. The unimproved alley to be vacated is hatched on the attached copies of said plat on Exhibits A and B.

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Overview



Legend

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  - Private
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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Commissioners:  
Steven A. Davis  
Jeffrey M. Fix  
David L. Levacy

County Administrator  
Aundrea N. Cordle

Deputy County Administrator  
Jeffrey D. Porter

August 29, 2024

Good afternoon,

Clerk  
Rochelle Menningen

On September 3, 2024, at their Regular meeting, at 9:00 a.m., at the Administrative Courthouse, 210 E. Main St., Lancaster, Ohio, the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners will consider a resolution (see attached) to set a viewing date and a hearing date to determine the necessity for the public convenience and welfare to vacate a portion of an unimproved alley, in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition of Taylor's Sandy Beach, in Walnut Township. The portion of the alley to be considered for vacation, will be 12 feet wide and will be located between on the west side of Lot Number 74.

The resolution to be considered, will set a viewing date and time of September 24, 2024, at 1:10 p.m., at the location of the site, if passed.

The resolution will also, if passed, set a hearing date of October 1, 2024, at 9:36 a.m., in the Commissioners' Hearing Room, at the Administrative Courthouse, 210 E. Main St., Lancaster, OH 43130.

You may contact the Commissioners Clerk, at the email address below, to obtain information regarding the passage of the resolution.

You are being notified of this hearing as an abutting or adjacent property owner, as the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, or as the township in which the proposed property is located and are invited to make comments regarding the proposed vacation at the above listed hearing.

Sincerely,

Rochelle Menningen  
Clerk to the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners  
[rochelle.menningen@fairfieldcountyohio.gov](mailto:rochelle.menningen@fairfieldcountyohio.gov)

Enclosure

Cc: Property Owners  
ODNR/Real Estate Section  
Walnut Township Trustees  
Fairfield County Engineer

Fairfield County Commissioners Office • 210 East Main Street • Room 301 • Lancaster, Ohio 43130  
P: 740-652-7090 • F: 740-687-6048 • [www.fairfieldcountyohio.gov](http://www.fairfieldcountyohio.gov)

Signature Page

Resolution No. 2024-09.03.b

A resolution to consider a petition to vacate a portion of an unimproved alley in Walnut Township and establish a viewing and hearing date.

(Fairfield County Commissioners)

This resolution has not yet been voted on.

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

It is hereby certified that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon by the Board of County Commissioners, Fairfield County, Ohio on the date noted above.

**A resolution to consider a petition to vacate a portion of an unimproved public road, Fisher Street, in Walnut Township and establish a viewing and hearing date.**

**WHEREAS**, Section 5553.04 of the Ohio Revised Code, provides that when the Board of County Commissioners is of the opinion that it will be necessary for the public convenience and welfare to locate, establish, alter, widen, straighten, vacate, or change the direction of a public road, it shall so declare by resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, Petitioner Tom Corbin, on behalf of Mr. Owen M. Rueckel, Jr., requests to vacate a portion of Fisher Street per the attached diagram.

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**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, STATE OF OHIO:**

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**SECTION 1:** that Tuesday, September 24, 2024 at 12:55 p.m. on the line of said property to be vacated, is hereby fixed as the time and place for viewing in Shell Beach, Walnut Township.

**SECTION 2:** that Tuesday, October 1, 2024 at 9:35 a.m., in the Hearing Room of The Fairfield County Board of Commissioners, the same is hereby fixed as the time and place for final hearing for the above vacation.

**SECTION 3:** that the Clerk of this Board be and is hereby directed to cause legal publication thereof to be made in accordance with the law and to return a signed copy of this Resolution to the Engineer.

Prepared by: Bennett Niceswanger  
cc: Engineer's Office

842 N. Columbus St., Lancaster, OH 43130-2548

Lancaster (740) 687-1450  
Facsimile (740) 687-9384  
tjc@corbinlaw.com  
www.corbinlaw.com

August 13, 2024

To the Fairfield County Commissioners  
*Via personal delivery*

Subject: petition, etc. relative to vacation of public right-of-way

Dear Sir or Madame:

**Enclosed** herewith is the package of documents seeking to vacate a right-of-way identified as a portion of Fisher Street, Walnut Township.

Your guidance from this point forward will be greatly appreciated.

Owen M. Rueckel, Jr., **deceased** is the current owner of record. Keith E. Rueckel, Sr., and I, the undersigned, are co-executors of the estate pending in Fairfield County, Probate Court.

The subject premises are presently in contract, for the purchase and sale thereof. Time is of the essence.

Thank you for your anticipated promptness in addressing this matter!

Sincerely,



Thomas James Corbin  
Attorney for Estate of Owen M. Rueckel, Jr.



# PUBLIC ROAD PETITION

(Rev. Code, Sec. 5553.04)

Lancaster, Ohio

August 11, 2024

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners of Fairfield County, Ohio:

*The undersigned petitioners, freeholders of said County, residing in the vicinity of the proposed improvement hereinafter described, respectfully represent that the public convenience and welfare require the 1 VACATING of 2 AN UNIMPROVED SEGMENT OF a Public Road on the line hereinafter described; and make application to you to institute and order proper proceedings in the premises, for 1 VACATING such road; the same 3 NOT being a road on the State Highway System.*

*The following is the general route and termini of said road:*

Situated in the State of Ohio, County of Fairfield, Township of Walnut, Section 23, Township 17, Range 18, Refugee Lands.

Being a portion of Fisher Street (20 feet wide) located between Lot Numbers 23-281, 23-282, 23-283, 23-284, and 23-285 in the Fairfield County Buckeye Lake Reservoir Lands, Shell Beach Allotments Nos. 2 & 5 Property Surplus, as recorded in Plat Book 8, Page 74 (Exhibit A) and Plat Book 8, Page 92 (Exhibit B), in the Fairfield County Recorder's Office (all references to deeds, microfiche, plats, surveys, etc., refer to the Fairfield County Recorder's Office or the Fairfield County Engineer's Office), and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the northwest corner of Lot 23-285; thence in a Southeast direction along the west line of Lot 23-285 and being the east line of Fisher Street to the southwest corner of Lot 23-285 and the southeast corner of Fisher Street; thence in a Southwest direction and along the south line of Fisher Street to the Southeast corner of Lot 23-284 and the southwest corner of Fisher Street; thence in a Northwest direction and along the West line of Fisher Street and the east lines of Lot Nos. 23-284, 23-283, 23-282, and 23-281 to the northeast corner of Lot 23-281; thence in a Northeast direction across Fisher Street to the place of beginning. The unimproved segment of Fisher Street to be vacated is hatched on the attached Exhibit B.

1. "Locating," "establishing," "altering," "widening," "straightening," "vacating," or "changing the direction of."
2. Insert "a part of," if so.
3. If the proposed improvement is on the State Highway System the approval of the Director of Highways shall be had before proceeding further. See Sec. 5553.02 O.R.C.
4. Here set forth the general route and termini of the road, or part thereof, to be located, established, or vacated, or the general manner in which such road is to be altered, widened, straightened, or the direction thereof changed.

**ADDENDUM TO PUBLIC ROAD PETITION**

**Date:** August 1, 2024

**Location and Size of Public Road:**

Fisher Street: the right-of-way is depicted upon the plat drawings **attached** hereto. The length is approximately one hundred and forty-nine feet (149') on the west side and one hundred and fifty feet (150') on the east side. The width of the right of way is twenty feet (20').

**Petitioners and Co-Executors of the Owen M. Rueckel Estate, the abutting owner.**

**Name:** Thomas James Corbin, Co-Executor and Attorney for the Estate  
Of Owen M. Rueckel, deceased  
**Address:** 842 North Columbus Street  
Lancaster, Ohio 43130  
**Phone:** (740) 687-1450  
**Email:** [tjc@corbinlaw.com](mailto:tjc@corbinlaw.com)

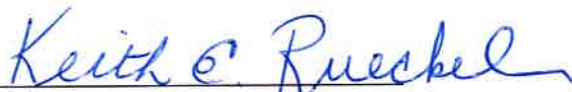
**Name:** Keith E. Rueckel, Co-Executor  
**Address:** 5452 David Blvd.  
Port Charlotte, FL 33981  
**Phone:** (941) 763-7807  
**Email:** [palmbush@comcast.net](mailto:palmbush@comcast.net)

**Attached** are the following documents for your review:

1. Public Road Petition, with addendum;
2. Warranty deed and quit-claim deeds of Owen M. Rueckel, grantee;
3. Death certificate of Owen M. Rueckel;
4. Letters of Authority for the executors of the Owen M. Rueckel Estate;
5. Tax map of the area to be vacated;
6. Plat of survey by Tobin McFarland Surveying, Inc.;
7. Seventeen (17) original signatures of adjacent property owners.



**Thomas James Corbin**  
**Attorney at Law and**  
**Co-Executor of the**  
**Estate of Owen M. Rueckel, Jr.**








**Keith E. Rueckel**  
**Co-Executor of the**  
**Estate of Owen M. Rueckel, Jr.**

MUST BE PROPERTY OWNERS, NOT RENTERS

Petitioner's Signature Printed Name	Mailing Address
Fred L. James Jr. FRED L. JAMES JR.	4931 PECKER AVE THORNVILLE OHIO 43076
Jeff DeRevoise JEFF DERIVOISE	4939 BUCKAY AVE THORNVILLE OH 43076
Judith M. Bair JUDITH M. BAIR	4956 Decker Ave. Thornville, OH 43076
Larry Wright LARRY WRIGHT	4966 PECKER AVE THORNVILLE, OH 43076
Carol Browne Carol S Browne	4863 Decker Ave NE Sharonville, OH 43076
H.G. Spangler Jr H.G. Spangler Jr	4902 Decker Avenue E Thornville OH 43076
Dana Sherrick Dana Sherrick	803 Lanreco Blvd Lancaster, OH 43130
Troy C. McNaughten Troy C. McNaughten	4920 Decker Ave NE Thornville, OH 43076
Kim K. Moyer Kim K. Moyer	4856 Decker Ave Thornville, Ohio
J. Elliott Van Dyke J. ELLIOTT VAN DYKE	4839 DECKER AVE NE THORNVILLE, OHIO 43076
Sharon A. Haffner SHARON A. HAFFNER	4938 Decker Avenue Sharonville OH 43076
Kristopher Hill Kristopher Hill	4947 Audubon Ave NE Thornville OH, 43076

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Petitioner's Signature Printed Name	Mailing Address
 Brent Hill	4951 Decker Ave NE. Thornport OH 43076 villed
 Jan Shaffer	4982 Decker Av Thornport OH 43076 villed
 Dale Larr	Thornville, Oh 43076 4940 Island Ave
 George Dyer	4945 Island Dr. Thornville Oh 43076
 MELISSA PHILLIP	13547 SHELL BEACH RD. THORNTONVILLE OHIO, 43076

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FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OH  
GENE WOOD  
03-08-2004 At: 03:37 PM.  
DEED 28.00  
DR Book 1331 Page 1587 - 1588

**QUIT CLAIM DEED**  
(Section 5302.11, Ohio Revised Code)

**KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT**

OWEN M. RUECKEL, JR. AND CONSTANCE L. RUECKEL, his wife, of Fairfield County,  
Ohio, and KEITH E. RUECKEL, SR. AND JUDY L. RUECKEL, his wife,  
of Broward County, Florida

for valuable consideration paid, grant to:

OWEN M. RUECKEL, JR.

whose tax mailing address is 4895 Decker Avenue, Thornville, Ohio 43076, the following **REAL PROPERTY**:

Situated in the County of Fairfield, in the State of Ohio, and in the Township of Walnut, and being all of Lot Number Thirteen (13), all of Lot Number Fourteen (14), and Twelve (12) feet off the North side of Lot Number Twelve (12) in the SHELL BEACH ADDITION, according to the recorded plat thereof in Plat Book No. 2, Page 27, of the Fairfield County Recorder's Office, together with a right of way over the streets and alleys of said Addition and a right of way to the public road Twenty (20) feet wide over the present lane or any other lane or street to the public road, should the present lane be abandoned or changed. EXCEPTING from the above described premises Forty (40) feet off the East end of said Lots No. 14 and 13 and off the East end of a strip Twelve (12) feet wide off the North side of Lot No. 12, which premises were conveyed by Helen M. Kull to Frank X. Reiber, et. al., April 10<sup>th</sup>, 1944, by deed recorded in Vol. 206, Page 301, of the Fairfield County Deed Records.

Parcel No. 046-02006.00

DESCRIPTION REVIEWED AND APPROVED  
FILED IN FAIRFIELD COUNTY  
RECORDS UNDER THE NAME  
ON NLS DATE 2/10/04  
046-02006-00

**Prior Instrument References:** Volume 663, Page 820, and Volume 1251, Page 0668, Official Records, Fairfield County, Ohio.

Grantors, Owen M. Rueckel, Jr. and Constance L. Rueckel, his wife; and Keith E. Rueckel, Sr. and Judy L. Rueckel, his wife, hereby release all rights of dower therein.

WITNESS the hands of Grantors, this 28 day of February, 2004.

**TRANSFERRED**

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*Barbara Curtiss*  
County Auditor, Fairfield County, Ohio

REAL ESTATE CONVEYANCE  
FEE \$ 25.00

EXEMPT # \_\_\_\_\_  
*Barbara Curtiss*  
AUDITOR, FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO

*Owen M. Rueckel Jr.*  
OWEN M. RUECKEL, JR.

*Constance L. Rueckel*  
CONSTANCE L. RUECKEL

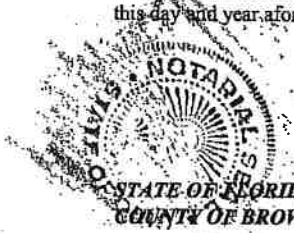
*Keith E. Rueckel Sr.*  
KEITH E. RUECKEL, SR.

*Judy L. Rueckel*  
JUDY L. RUECKEL

STATE OF OHIO )  
COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD )ss:

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2004, before me; the subscriber, a Notary Public in and for said county, personally came Owen M. Rueckel, Jr. and Constance L. Rueckel, his wife, the Grantors in the foregoing instrument who acknowledged the signing thereof to be their voluntary act and deed.

IN TESTIMONY THEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal on this day and year aforesaid.



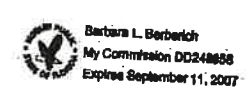
*Linda L. Leppert*  
Linda L. Leppert, Notary Public - State of Ohio  
My Commission expires 5/29/2005

STATE OF FLORIDA )  
COUNTY OF BROWARD )ss:

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2004, before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public in and for said county, personally came Keith E. Rueckel, Sr. and Judy L. Rueckel, his wife, the Grantors in the foregoing instrument who acknowledged the signing thereof to be their voluntary act and deed.

IN TESTIMONY THEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal on this day and year aforesaid.

*Barbara L. Berberich*  
Notary Public - State of Florida



THIS INSTRUMENT WAS PREPARED BY: Roy E. Hart, Attorney at Law, 201 South Broad Street, Fourth Floor, Lancaster, Ohio 43130.

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Book 1251 Page 668 - 669

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**TRANSFER  
NOT NECESSARY**

DEC 04 2002 *OW*

*Barbara Curtis*  
County Auditor, Fairfield County, Ohio

**QUIT CLAIM DEED**

OWEN M. RUECKEL, a widower and unmarried, of Hillsborough County, Florida, for valuable consideration paid, grants to KEITH E. RUECKEL, SR. and OWEN M. RUECKEL, JR., for their joint lives, remainder to the survivor of them, whose tax-mailing address is 4895 Decker Avenue, Thornville, Ohio 43076, the following **REAL PROPERTY**:

Situated in the County of Fairfield, in the State of Ohio and in the Township of Walnut, and being all of Lot Number Thirteen (13), all of Lot Number Fourteen (14), and Twelve (12) feet off the North side of Lot Number Twelve (12) in the Shell Beach addition, according to the recorded plat thereof in Plat Book No. 2, Page 27, of the Fairfield County Recorder's Office, together with a right of way over the streets and alleys of said Addition and a right of way to the public road Twenty (20) feet wide over the present lane or any other lane or street to the public road, should the present lane be abandoned or changed. Excepting from the above described premises forty (40) feet off the East end of said Lots No. 14 and 13 and off the East end of a strip twelve (12) feet wide off the North side of Lot No. 12, which premises were conveyed by Helen M. Kull to Frank X. Reiber, et al., April 10th, 1944, by deed recorded in Vol. 206, page 301, of the Fairfield County Deed Records.

DESCRIPTION REVIEWED AND APPROVED  
FOR TRANSFER ONLY FAIRFIELD COUNTY  
BY CLERK OF COURT  
064-020064-00

The permanent parcel number of the property is 064-020064-00.

Prior Deed Reference: Volume 663, page 820 of the Deed Records of Fairfield County, Ohio.

Subject to all covenants, conditions, restrictions and easements of record affecting said premises, which are presently in force.

Executed this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2002.

Owen M. Rueckel, Sr.  
OWEN M. RUECKEL

WENDY  
CHRISTIAN E.  
AUSTIN  
Attorney at Law  
2077 Kettering Blvd., Suite 210  
Dayton, Ohio 45424  
Telephone: (937) 244-0000  
Facsimile: (937) 244-3477

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STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF Hillsborough, SS:

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared the above-named OWEN M. RUECKEL, who acknowledged that he did sign the foregoing instrument and that the same is his free act and deed.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Hillsborough County, Florida, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2002.



*Lillian Trotter*  
Notary Public  
10/13/06

This instrument was prepared by Jeffrey A. Winwood, Attorney at Law, 3077 Kettering Blvd., Suite 210, Dayton, Ohio 45439.

WINWOOD  
CHRISTIAN &  
ASBHTSTED  
Attorneys at Law  
3077 Kettering Blvd., Suite 210  
Dayton, Ohio 45439  
Telephone: (937) 234-4200  
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PARCEL ID# 064-020064-00

**GENERAL WARRANTY DEED - OHIO STATUTORY FORM**  
SECTIONS 5302.05 and 5302.06 O.R.C.  
SURVIVORSHIP TENANCY - SECTION 5302.17 O.R.C.

GRANTORS, OWEN M. RUECKEL and LOUISE IDA RUECKEL, husband and wife, of Montgomery County, Ohio, for valuable consideration paid in the form of love and affection, grant as a gift, with general warranty covenants to GRANTEES, KEITH E. RUECKEL, SR. and OWEN M. RUECKEL, JR., for their joint lives, remainder to the survivor of them, reserving unto Grantors, Owen M. Rueckel and Louise Ida Rueckel, a life estate for and during their natural lives, whose tax mailing address is 4895 Decker Avenue, Thornville, Ohio 43076, the following real property:

Situated in the County of Fairfield, in the State of Ohio and in the Township of Walnut, and being all of Lot Number Thirteen (13), all of Lot Number Fourteen (14), and Twelve (12) feet off the North side of Lot Number Twelve (12) in the Shell Beach Addition, according to the recorded plat thereof in Plat Book No. 2, page 27, of the Fairfield County Recorder's Office, together with a right of way over the streets and alleys of said Addition and a right of way to the public road Twenty (20) feet wide over the present lane or any other lane or street to the public road, should the present lane be abandoned or changed. Excepting from the above described premises forty (40) feet off the East end of said Lots No. 14 and 13 and off the East end of a strip twelve (12) feet wide off the North side of Lot No. 12, which premises were conveyed by Helen M. Kull to Frank X. Reiber, et al., April 10th, 1944, by deed recorded in Vol. 206, page 301, of the Fairfield County Deed Records.

The above property is conveyed subject to and excepting from the general warranty covenants are the following:

- (1) Real estate taxes and assessments not yet due and payable;
- (2) All easements, conditions, covenants, restrictions, reservations, and limitations of record and all legal highways.
- (3) Any law, ordinance or governmental regulation, including but not limited to, building and zoning ordinances, laws, resolutions, and regulations), restricting or regulating or prohibiting the occupancy, use or enjoyment of the land, or regulating the character, dimensions or location of any improvements erected on the land;

*Attachment of 1831 Pg. 1504*

(4) Rights of eminent domain unless notice of the exercise of such rights appear in the public records as of the date of recording of this deed;

Prior Deed Reference: Deed Book 533, page 64, Deed Book 535, page 464, Deed Book 131, page 254 and Deed Book 156, page 133 of the Fairfield County Deed Records.

WITNESS their hands on the 24th day of August, 1997.

Signed and acknowledged in the presence of:

Thomas F. Folino  
Witness  
Thomas F. Folino  
Print name of witness

Owen M. Rueckel  
Owen M. Rueckel

Christine S. Folino  
Witness  
Christine S. Folino  
Print name of witness

Louise Ida Rueckel  
Louise Ida Rueckel

STATE OF OHIO )  
COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY ) SS,

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 24th day of August, 1997, by OWEN M. RUECKEL and LOUISE IDA RUECKEL, husband and wife.

Thomas F. Folino  
Notary Public

This instrument prepared by:  
Thomas F. Folino, Attorney, of  
JABLINSKI, FOLINO, ROBERTS & MARTIN  
A Legal Professional Association  
P.O. Box 1266  
Dayton, Ohio 45402-9766



Thomas F. Folino, Attorney at Law  
Notary Public, State of Ohio  
My Commission has no expiration date.  
Section 147.03 O. R. C.

REAL ESTATE CONVEYANCE

Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Exempt # JD

Barbara Curtin  
Auditor, Fairfield Coun:

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Barbara Curtin  
County Auditor, Fairfield County, Ohio

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Filed for Record in  
FAIRFIELD CO., OH  
GENE WOOD  
On 09-02-1997 At 10:25 am.  
DEED 14.00  
Book OR Vol. 663 Pg. 820 - 821

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OR BK 1758 PG 2289

Revised 7/16

PROBATE COURT OF FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO  
TERRE L. VANDERVOORT, JUDGE

PC-E-12.1 (Rev. 3-2014)

ESTATE OF Constance L. Rueckel DECEASED  
CASE NO. 20170318

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSFER  
NO. 1

FILED  
JAN 10 2018  
TERRE L. VANDERVOORT  
PROBATE &  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY

[Check one of the following]

- Decedent died intestate.
- Decedent died testate.

Decedent died on May 18, 2017 owning the real property described in this certificate. The persons to whom such real property passed by devise, descent or election are as follows:

Name	Residence Address	Transferee's share of decedent's interest
Owen M. Rueckel, Jr.	4895 Decker Avenue Thornville, OH 43076	100%

TRANSFERRED

REAL ESTATE CONVEYANCE

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FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OH  
GENE WOOD, COUNTY RECORDER  
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*Jan Ashty, Jr.*  
County Auditor, Fairfield County, Ohio

*Jan Ashty, Jr.*  
County Auditor, Fairfield County, OH

[Complete if applicable] The real property described in this certificate is subject to a charge of \$           

in favor of decedent's surviving spouse,            in respect

of the unpaid balance of the specific monetary share which is part of the surviving spouse's total intestate share.

FORM 12.1 - CERTIFICATE OF TRANSFER  
(PAGE 1)

CASE NO. 20170318

The legal description of decedent's interest in the real property subject to this certificate is:  
[use extra sheets, if necessary]

PARCEL NO. 1: Being a one-half interest in the following: Situated in the County of Fairfield, in the State of Ohio and in the Township of Walnut: Being the West one-half of Lots No. 9 and 10 and the West one-half of 12 feet off the North side of Lot No. 11 in the Cottage Lots adjoining Lake Tourist Hotel Subdivision as recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 27.

Parcel No. 0460200400  
Last Transfer: Vol. 506, Page 727

PARCEL NO. 2: Being a one-half interest in the following: Situated in the County of Fairfield, in the State of Ohio and in the Township of Walnut: Being Lots Nos. 23-281, 23-282, 23-283, 23-284, 23-285 as numbered and delineated in the plat of Buckeye Lake Reservoir Lands, as recorded in the Recorder's Office of Fairfield County, Ohio, in Volume 8, Page 92.

Parcel Nos. 0460201600; 0460201700; 0460201800; 0460201900 ; 0460202000  
Last Transfer: Vol. 506, Page 727 of the Official Records of Fairfield County, Ohio

PARCEL NO. 3: Being a one-half interest in the following: Situated in the County of Fairfield, in the State of Ohio and in the Village of Pleasantville:

See Continuation Page

Prior Instrument Reference:

Parcel No:

This Instrument was prepared by Kacie D. Waugh, 3083 Columbus Street, Grove City, OH 43123

ISSUANCE

This Certificate of Transfer is issued this 14<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2018.

*Terre L. Vandervoort*  
Terre L. Vandervoort, Judge  
Probate Judge

CERTIFICATION

I certify that this document is a true copy of the original Certificate of Transfer No. \_\_\_\_\_ issued on January 19, 2018 and kept by me as custodian of the official records of this Court.

JAN 19 2018

Date

By *Kawene Bell*

Terre L. Vandervoort, Judge

Page 2 of 2 pages

CONTINUATION

CASE NO. 20170318

**Application for Certificate of Transfer - Legal Description of Interest**

Being on the North side of Columbus Street in said Village and bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the Pleasant and Walnut Township line 345.8 feet East of the Southwest corner of the Southeast Quarter of Section 34, Township 16, Range 18 West; thence East 60 feet; thence North 300.8 feet; thence West 60 feet; thence South 300.8 feet to the place of beginning. Except that a strip 14 feet wide off the North end of the above described real estate is to be used as a private right-of-way jointly by the owners of lots immediately North and East of the above described real estate and by the owner of the herein conveyed lot.

Parcel No. 0500273700

Last Transfer: Vol. 1486, Page 3001 of the Official Records of Fairfield County, Ohio

DESCRIPTION REVIEWED AND APPROVED  
FOR TRANSFER ONLY, FAIRFIELD COUNTY  
AUDITOR/REGISTERED TAX MAPS

BY V.L.T. DATE 1-30-18

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GENERAL WARRANTY DEED, Military Form No. 25-1 (Revised 2/81)

Registered in U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

GENERAL WARRANTY DEED

Linda M. Sandbrink (formerly Linda M. Hain) and Richard W.

Sandbrink, her husband of Fairfield County, Ohio,

for valuable consideration paid, grant(s) with general warranty covenants, to Owen M.

Rueckel, Jr. and Constance H. Rueckel, whose tax mailing address is

311 Falls Road, Columbus, Ohio 43214

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For reference, see Volume 311, page 698; Volume 314, page 308; Volume 322, page 368; Volume 359, page 508 and Volume 372, page 636 of the Deed Records of Fairfield County, Ohio.

Grantors release all rights of dower therein. Witness their hand(s) this 25th day of September, 1981.

Signed and acknowledged in the presence of:

Handwritten signatures of Linda M. Sandbrink and Richard W. Sandbrink, with printed names below.

State of Ohio, County of Fairfield, ss.

BEIT REMEMBERED: That on this 25th day of September, 1981, before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public in and for said county, personally came Linda M. Sandbrink and Richard W. Sandbrink, the Grantor(s) in the foregoing Deed, and acknowledged the signing thereof to be their voluntary act and deed.

IN TESTIMONY THEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal on this day and year aforesaid.

Notary Public, State of Ohio, Lifetime Commission 35852

This instrument was prepared by JACKSON, KILLER & ENGLAND, Bettimore, Ohio.

RECEIVED IN FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO. RECORDED 10-30-81. SECURITY FILE VOL 506 PAGE 127

EXPIRES SEP 29 1981. Notary signatures and seal. RECORDER - FAIRFIELD COUNTY LANCASTER, OHIO 43130



a Notary Public in and for said county, personally came Betty Jane Barthelmas, the Grantor in the foregoing instrument who acknowledged the signing thereof to be her voluntary act and deed for the purposes set forth therein.

*IN TESTIMONY THEREOF*, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal on this day and year aforesaid.



Notary Public - State of Ohio

James A. Edwards

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF OHIO  
RECEIVED COMMISSION AS ATTORNEY

**THIS INSTRUMENT WAS PREPARED BY:** Roy E. Hart, Attorney at Law, 201 South Broad Street, Fourth Floor, Lancaster, Ohio 43130

REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

Fee \$ 54.00

Exempt # \_\_\_\_\_

*Barbara Curtiss*  
Auditor, Fairfield County, Ohio

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JAN 10 2000

*Barbara Curtiss*  
County Auditor, Fairfield County, Ohio



# View Document - PE20240093 - Certificate of Death

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Primary Reg. Dist. No. 2300  
 Registrar's No. 2300-2024000232

Ohio Department of Health - Vital Statistics

State File No. 2024017631  
**20240093**

<b>DECEDENT</b>	1. Decedent's Legal Name (First, Middle, Last, Suffix) (Include AKA's if any) <b>OWEN MAURICE RUECKEL JR</b>						2. Sex <b>MALE</b>	3. Date of Death (Month/Day/Year) <b>FEBRUARY 16, 2024</b>
	4. Social Security Number [REDACTED]	5a. Age (Years) <b>83</b>	5b. Under 1 Year Months	5c. Under 1 day Hours   Minutes	6. Date of Birth (Mo/Day/Year) <b>AUGUST 21, 1940</b>	7. Birthplace (City and State or Foreign Country) <b>DAYTON, OHIO</b>		
	8a. Residence State <b>OHIO</b>		8b. County <b>FAIRFIELD</b>		8c. City or Town <b>THORNVILLE</b>			
	8d. Street Address and Zip Code <b>4895 DECKER AVE NE 43076</b>						8e. Ever in US Armed Forces? <b>YES - NATIONAL GUARD</b>	
	10. Marital Status at Time of Death <b>WIDOWED (AND NOT REMARRIED)</b>				11. Surviving Spouse's Name (if wife, give name prior to first marriage)			
	12. Decedent's Education <b>COLLEGE, BUT NO DEGREE</b>			13. Decedent of Hispanic Origin <b>NO</b>	14. Decedent's Race <b>WHITE</b>			
	15. Father's Name <b>OWEN MAURICE RUECKEL SR</b>				16. Mother's Name (prior to first marriage) <b>LOUISE IDA FRANK</b>			
	17a. Informant's Name <b>KEITH E RUECKEL SR</b>			17b. Relationship to Decedent <b>BROTHER</b>	17c. Mailing Address (Street and Number, City, State, Zip Code) <b>5452 DAVID BLVD PORT CHARLOTTE, FLORIDA 33981</b>			
	18a. Place of Death <b>DECEDENT'S HOME</b>			18b. Facility Name (if not institution, give street & number) <b>4895 DECKER AVE NE</b>		18c. City or Town, State and Zip Code <b>THORNVILLE, OH 43076</b>		18d. County of Death <b>FAIRFIELD</b>
	19. Funeral Service Licensee or Other Agent <b>JOHN A TIBERI</b>			20. License Number (of Licensee) <b>008008</b>		21. Name and Complete Address of Funeral Facility <b>MAEDER-QUINT-TIBERI FUNERAL HOME INC 1068 S HIGH ST COLUMBUS, OH 43206</b>		
<b>DISPOSITION</b>	22. Method and Place of Disposition <b>CREMATION - CENTRAL OHIO CREMATORY, COLUMBUS, OH</b>						23. Local Registrar <i>Paulitta Hrieger</i>	
	24. Date Filed (Month/Day/Year) <b>2-22-24</b>							
<b>CERTIFIER</b>	25a. Certifier (Check only one) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certifying Physician (To the best of my knowledge, death occurred at the time, date, and place; and due to the cause(s) and manner stated.) <input type="checkbox"/> Coroner or Medical Examiner (On the basis of examination and/or investigation, in my opinion, death occurred at the time, date, and place; and due to the cause(s) and manner stated.)							
	25b. Time of Death <b>4:11 AM</b>	25c. Date Pronounced Dead (Month/Day/Year) <b>2-16-24</b>			25d. Was Case Referred to Medical Examiner or Coroner? <b>YES</b>			
25e. Certifier Name and Title <i>Valerie Zona</i>			25f. License Number <b>34.013516</b>	25g. Date Signed (Month/Day/Year) <b>02/21/2024</b>				
<b>CAUSE OF DEATH</b>	27. Name (First, Middle, Last) and Address of Person who Completed Cause of Death <b>VALERIE ZONA, 1548 SHERIDAN DRIVE, SUITE 200, LANCASTER, OH 43130</b>							
	28. Part I. Enter the disease, injuries, or complications that caused the death. Do not omit the mode of dying, such as cardiac or respiratory arrest, shock, or death failure. List only one cause on each line. Type or print in permanent blue or black ink.							
	Immediate Cause (Final disease or condition resulting in death)		<b>Acute respiratory failure with hypoxia</b>					
	Sequentially list conditions, if any, leading to immediate cause.		<b>Asthenia</b>					
	Enter Underlying Cause (Disease or injury that initiated events resulting in a death)		<b>CVA</b>					
Part II. Other significant conditions contributing to death but not resulting in the underlying cause given in Part I. <b>HTN</b>								
30. Did Tobacco Use Contribute to Death? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Probably		31. If Female, Pregnancy Status <input type="checkbox"/> Not pregnant within past year <input type="checkbox"/> Pregnant at time of death <input type="checkbox"/> Not pregnant, but pregnant within 42 days of death <input type="checkbox"/> Not pregnant, but pregnant 43 days to 1 year before death <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown if pregnant within the past year		32. Manner of Death: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Natural <input type="checkbox"/> Accident <input type="checkbox"/> Suicide		32b. Were Autopsy Findings Available Prior To Completion Of Cause of Death? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable		
33a. Date of Injury (Mo/Day/Year)		33b. Time of Injury		33c. Place of Injury (e.g., Decedent's home, construction site, restaurant, wooded area)		33d. Injury at Work? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
33e. Location of Injury (Street and Number or Rural Route Number, City or Town, State)								
33f. Describe How Injury Occurred:						33g. If Transportation Injury, Specify: <input type="checkbox"/> Driver/Operator <input type="checkbox"/> Pedestrian <input type="checkbox"/> Passenger <input type="checkbox"/> Other:		

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO  
PROBATE DIVISION  
TERRE L. VANDERVOORT, JUDGE

ESTATE OF OWEN M. RUECKEL, JR., DECEASED  
CASE NO. 20240093

ENTRY APPOINTING FIDUCIARY; LETTERS OF AUTHORITY

[For Executors and all Administrators]

Name and Title of Fiduciary KEITH E. RUECKEL, SR. - CO-EXECUTOR  
THOMAS JAMES CORBIN - CO-EXECUTOR

On hearing in open court the application of the above fiduciary for authority to administer decedent's estate, the court finds that:

Decedent died [check one of the following]  testate  intestate on 02/16/2024  
domiciled in FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO

[Check one of the following]  Bond is dispensed with by the will  Bond is dispensed with by law  Applicant has executed and filed an appropriate bond, which is approved by the court; and

Applicant is a suitable and competent person to execute the trust.

The court therefore appoints applicant as such fiduciary, with the power conferred by law to fully administer decedent's estate. This entry of appointment constitutes the fiduciary's letters of authority.

3/13/2024  
Date

Terre L. Vandervoort  
Terre L. Vandervoort, Probate Judge

CERTIFICATE OF APPOINTMENT AND INCUMBENCY

The above document is a true copy of the original kept by me as custodian of this Court. It constitutes the appointment and letters of authority of the named fiduciary, who is qualified and acting in such capacity.



By: Terre L. Vandervoort, Probate Judge  
Deputy Clerk JUN 18 2024

Date

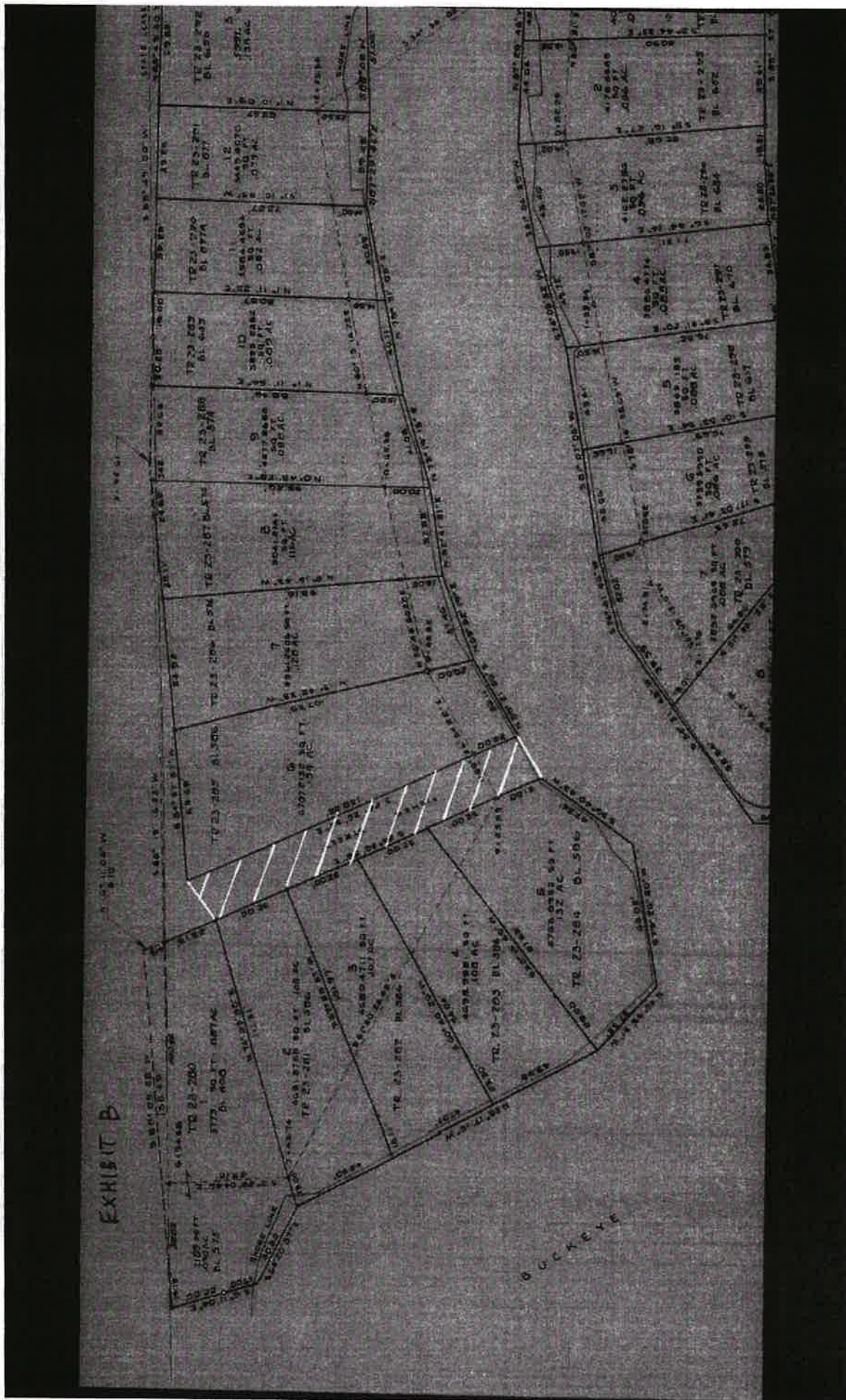
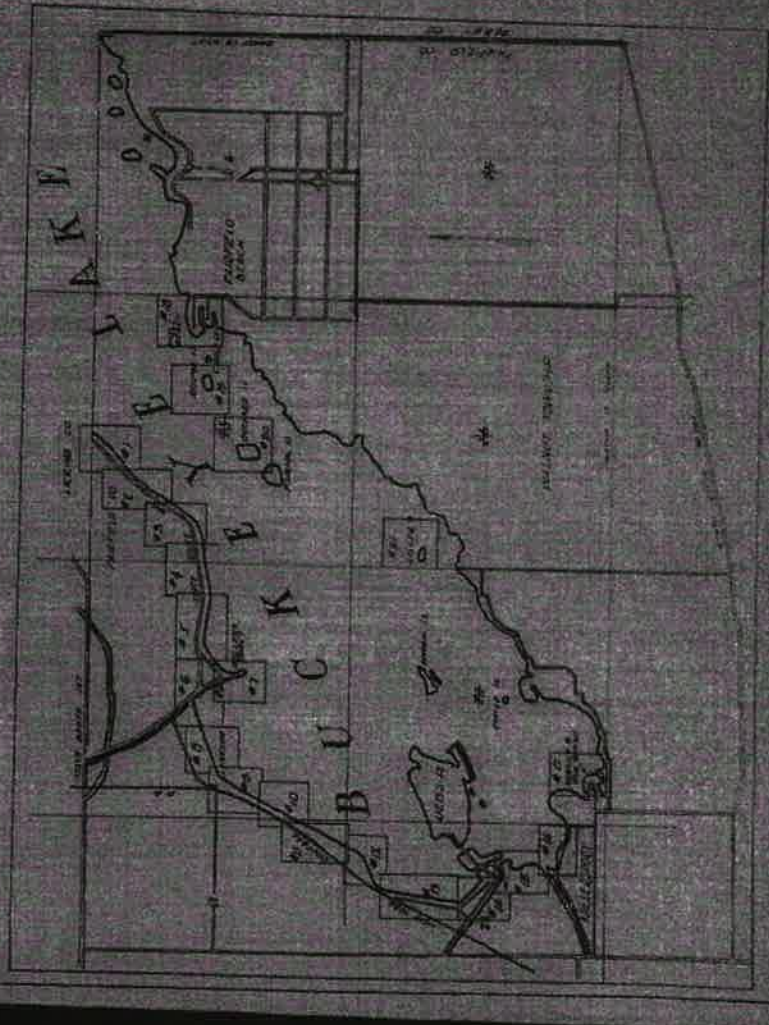
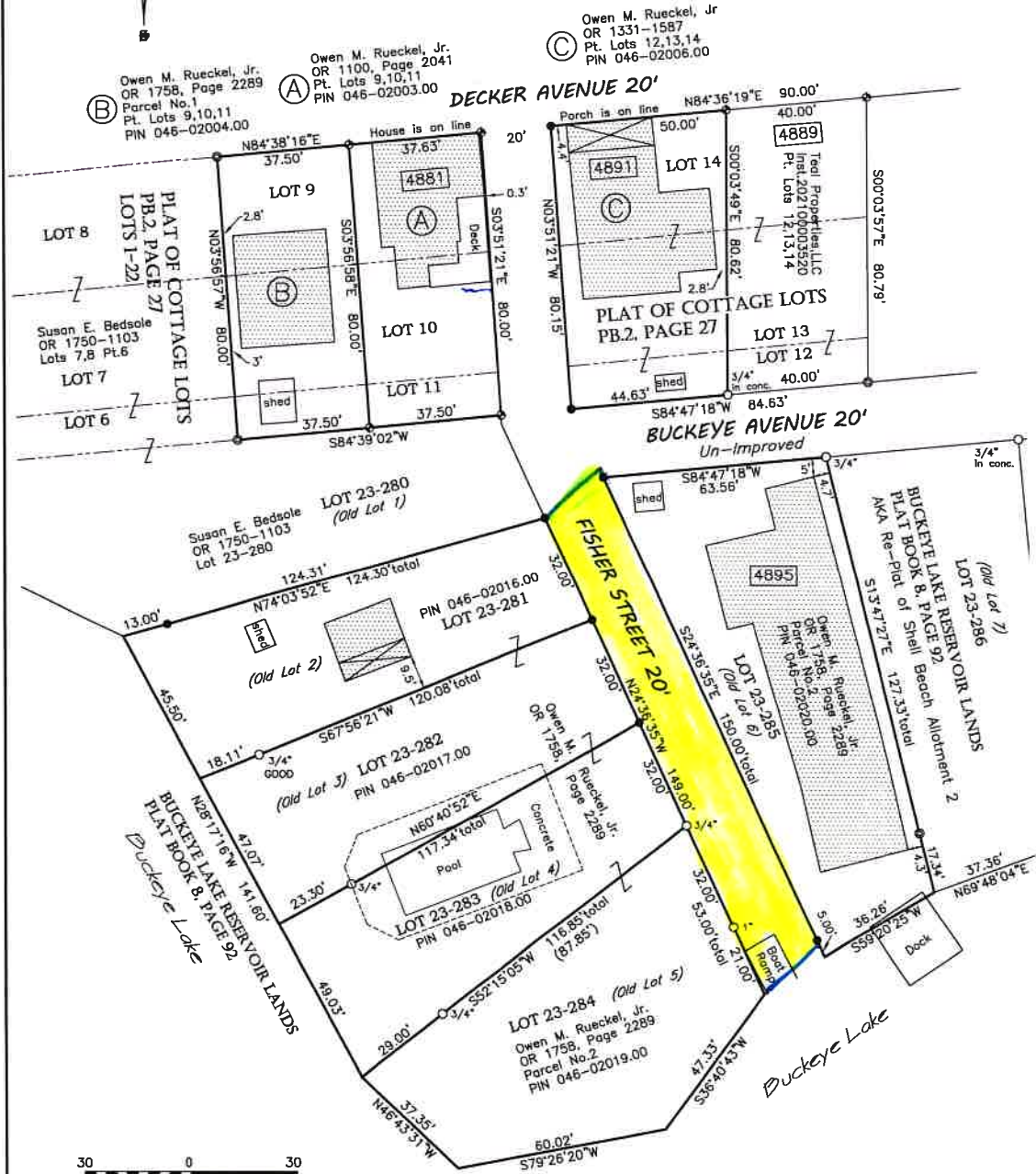


EXHIBIT A  
 FAIRFIELD COUNTY  
 BUCKEYE LAKE RESERVOIR LANDS  
 WALNUT TOWNSHIP  
 1960



*[Faint, mostly illegible text, likely a survey description or deed, including names and dates.]*

**PLAT OF SURVEY**  
 STATE OF OHIO  
 FAIRFIELD COUNTY  
 WALNUT TOWNSHIP  
 TOWNSHIP 17, RANGE 18  
 SECTION 23



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 GRAPHIC SCALE 1 INCH = 30 FEET  
 2024/rgrm/rueckel

**LEGEND**

- 5/8"X 30" rebar set with a "Tobin-McFarland" ID cap.
  - ◆ 5/8"X 30" "Tobin-McFarland" rebar previously set.
  - Iron Pipe Found, size as labeled
  - 5/8 inch rebar found
- Resources used that are pertinent to this survey are shown on this plat.  
 Flood Zone X, Panel 39045C 0090C



For: Owen Rueckel, Jr.  
 Date of Drawing: Aug.10,2020

BY: PRELIMINARY  
 Registered Surveyor No.6416 Date \_\_\_\_\_  
**TOBIN-McFARLAND SURVEYING INC.**  
 111 West Wheeling Street  
 Lancaster, Ohio 43130  
 Ph. 740-887-1710 Fax 740-887-0877

842 N. Columbus St., Lancaster, OH 43130-2548

Lancaster (740) 687-1450  
Facsimile (740) 687-9384  
tjc@corbinlaw.com  
www.corbinlaw.com

August 28, 2024

Rochelle Menningen  
210 East Main Street Room 302  
Lancaster, Ohio 43130  
*Via Hand Delivery*

Re: Petition for Vacation/Rueckel

Rochelle:

We provide herewith upgraded copies of **attachments** to our petition, pursuant to the request of the Auditor Real Estate authorities.

And also submitted herewith is a second addendum to the petition.

Sincerely,



Thomas James Corbin

TJC:eh

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**SECOND ADDENDUM TO PUBLIC ROAD PETITION**

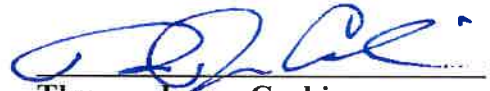
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Pursuant to ORC 5553.042, it is hereby alleged that “the public road,... has been abandoned and not used for a period of twenty-one years...”

**MEMORANDUM**

The foregoing is submitted in the interest of thoroughness, given that the statute (ORC 5553.042) provides in relevant part that “[a] township shall lose all rights in and to any public road (etc.) which has been **abandoned** and not used for a period of twenty-one years, after formal proceedings for vacation... have been taken. Upon petition for vacation..., if the board finds that the public road... has been abandoned and not used for a period of twenty-one years as **alleged in the petition**, the board, by resolution, may order the road... vacated, and the road... shall pass, in fee, to the abutting landowners...” ORC 5553.042 (B).

Based upon the foregoing, abandonment is a basis for vacation; and it is applicable to the matter herewith pending before the County Commissioners.



**Thomas James Corbin**  
**Attorney at Law and**  
**Co-Executor of the**  
**Estate of Owen M. Rueckel, Jr.**

**Thomas James Corbin**  
Attorney at Law  
842 North Columbus Street, Lancaster, Ohio 43130  
(740) 687-1450 [www.corbinlaw.com](http://www.corbinlaw.com)

**GENERAL WARRANTY DEED \***

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County, Ohio.

(3) wife (husband) of the

Grantor releases all rights of dower therein. Witness their hand(s) this 25th day of September, 1981.

Signed and acknowledged in the presence of:

James P. Keller  
WITNESS

Linda M. Sandbrink (1)  
(Linda M. Sandbrink)

Nancy Oliver  
WITNESS

Richard W. Sandbrink  
(Richard W. Sandbrink)

State of Ohio County of Fairfield, ss.

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James P. Keller  
Notary Public, State of Ohio. Lifetime Commission

This instrument was prepared by JACKSON, KELLER & ENGLAND, Baltimore, Ohio.

RECEIVED IN FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO  
SEP 29 1981  
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RECORD VOL 506 PAGE 127

1. Name of Grantor(s) and marital status.
2. Description of land or interest therein, and encumbrances, reservations, exceptions, taxes and assessments, if any.
3. Delete whichever does not apply: REAL ESTATE CONVEYANCE
4. Exempt in accordance with Chapter 5301 of the Revised Code of Ohio.

TRANSFERRED

Exempt # \_\_\_\_\_

Auditor's and Recorder's Stamps  
SEP 29 1981

James P. Keller  
Notary Public, State of Ohio

James P. Keller  
County Auditor, State of Ohio

Ray M. Zelling  
RECORDER - FAIRFIELD COUNTY  
LANCASTER, OHIO 43130



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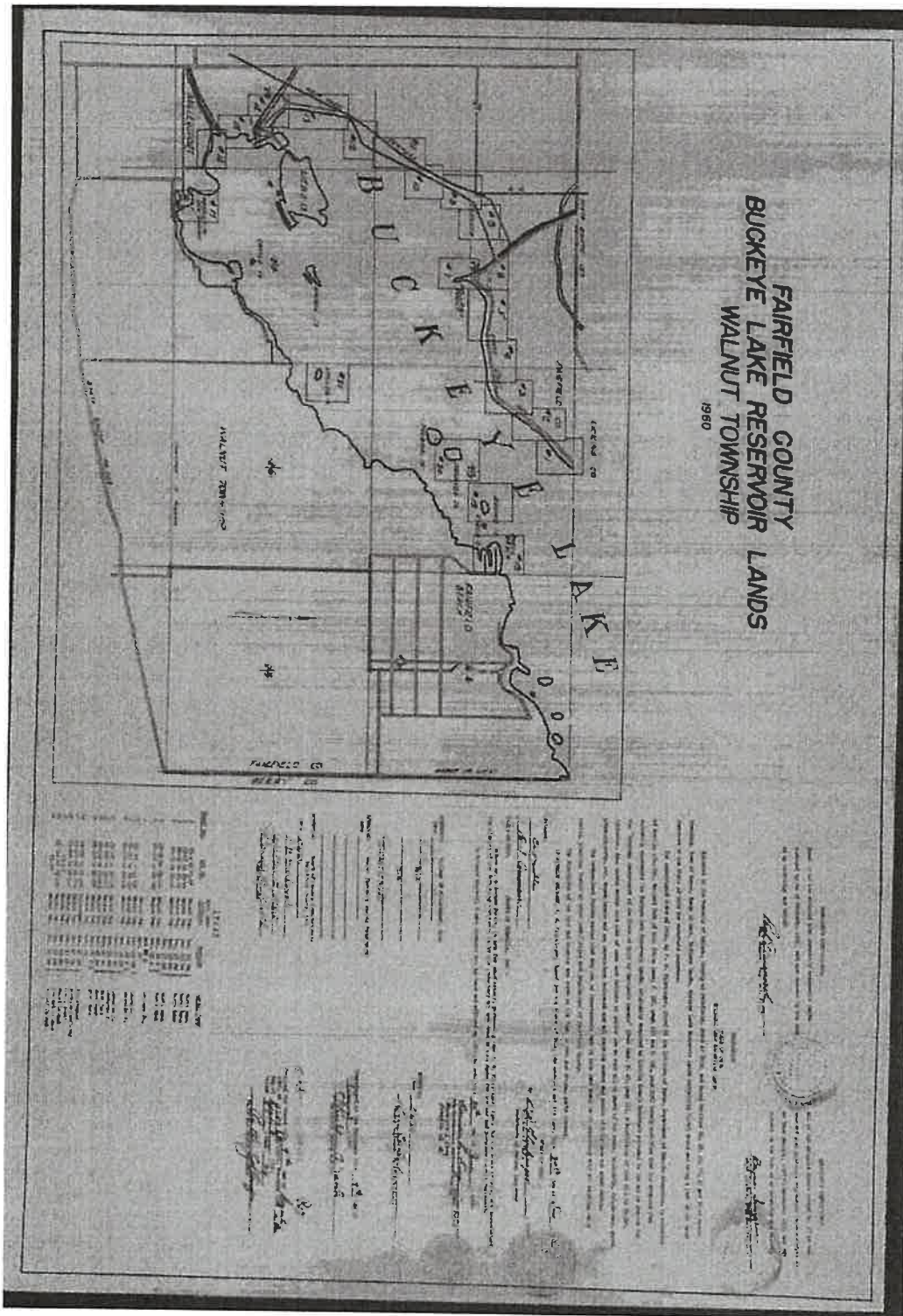
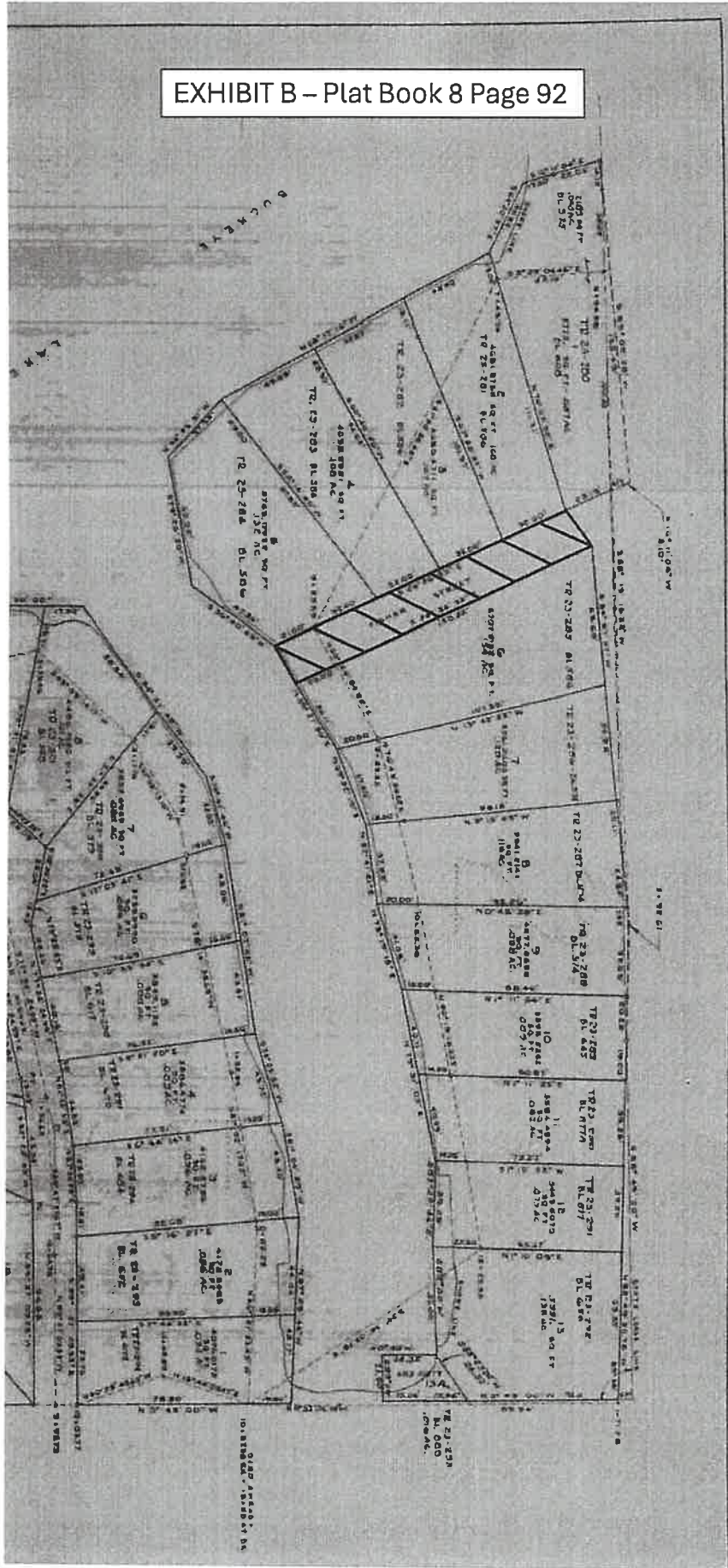
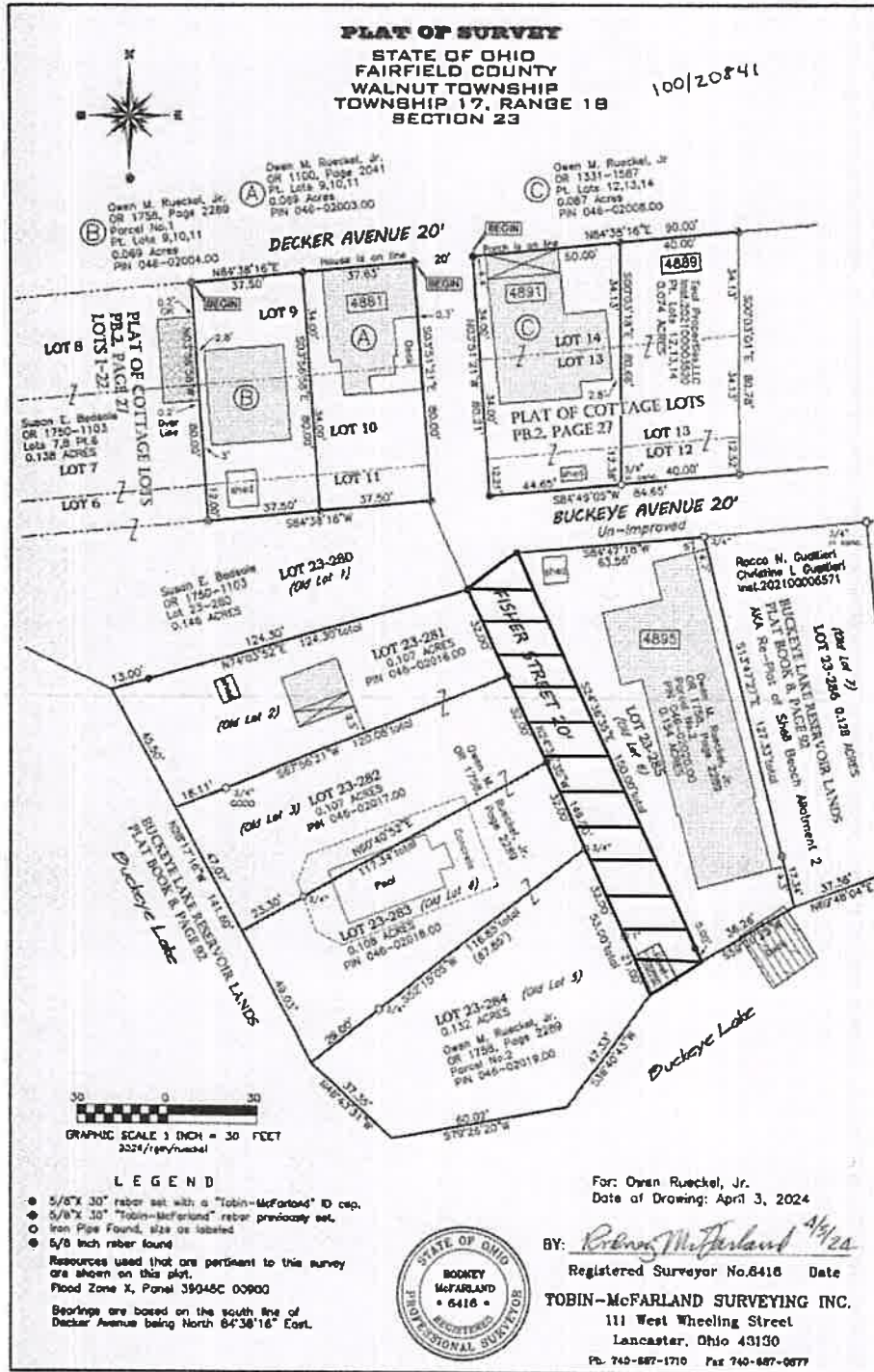


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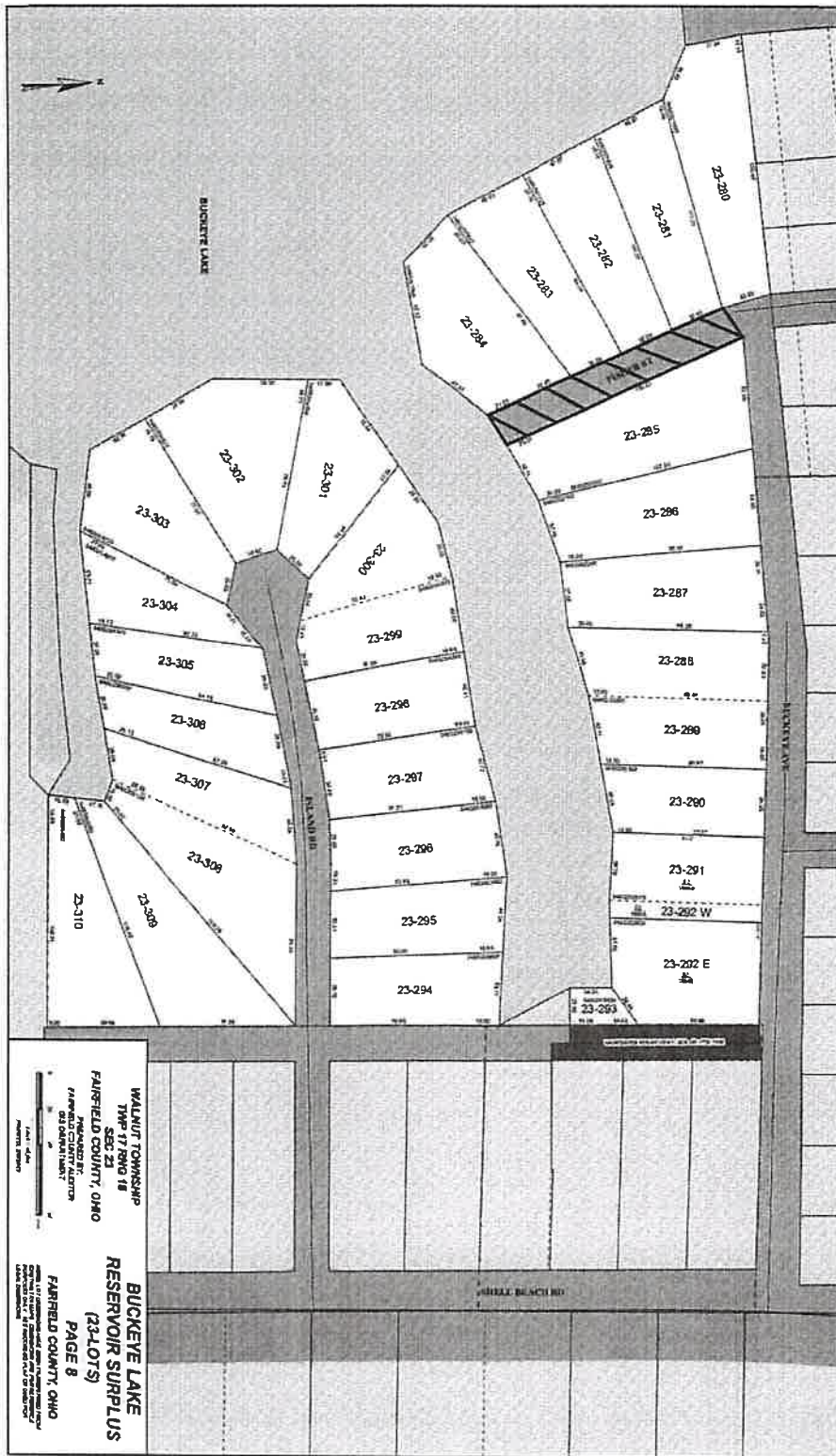


# PLAT OF SURVEY

## Survey - 100/20841



# TAX MAP





BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Commissioners:  
Steven A. Davis  
Jeffrey M. Fix  
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County Administrator  
Aundrea N. Cordle

Deputy County Administrator  
Jeffrey D. Porter

August 29, 2024

Good afternoon,

Clerk  
Rochelle Menningen

On September 3, 2024, at their Regular meeting, at 9:00 a.m., at the Administrative Courthouse, 210 E. Main St., Lancaster, Ohio, the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners will consider a resolution (see attached) to set a viewing date and a hearing date to determine the necessity for the public convenience and welfare to vacate a portion of Fisher Street, in the Fairfield County Buckeye Lake Reservoir Lands, in Shell Beach. The portion of the street to be considered for vacation, will be 20 feet wide and will be located between Lot Numbers 23-281, 23-282, 23-283, 23-284, and 23-285.

The resolution to be considered, will set a viewing date and time of September 24, 2024, at 12:55 p.m., at the location of the site, if passed.

The resolution will also, if passed, set a hearing date of October 1, 2024, at 9:35 a.m., in the Commissioners' Hearing Room, at the Administrative Courthouse, 210 E. Main St., Lancaster, OH 43130.

You may contact the Commissioners Clerk, at the email address below, to obtain information regarding the passage of the resolution.

You are being notified of this hearing as an abutting or adjacent property owner, as the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, or as the township in which the proposed property is located and are invited to make comments regarding the proposed vacation at the above listed hearing.

Sincerely,

Rochelle Menningen  
Clerk to the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners  
[rochelle.menningen@fairfieldcountyohio.gov](mailto:rochelle.menningen@fairfieldcountyohio.gov)

Enclosure

Cc: Property Owners  
ODNR/Real Estate Section  
Walnut Township Trustees  
Fairfield County Engineer

Signature Page

Resolution No. 2024-09.03.c

A resolution to consider a petition to vacate a portion of an unimproved public road, Fisher Street, in Walnut Township and establish a viewing and hearing date

(Fairfield County Commissioners)

This resolution has not yet been voted on.

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

It is hereby certified that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon by the Board of County Commissioners, Fairfield County, Ohio on the date noted above.

**A resolution to approve a memo expense for interest allocation reimbursements for Fairfield Department of Health, Fairfield County Parks, & Fairfield County Port Authority – Fund #7012, #7321, #7308, & #7865.**

**WHEREAS**, the WIC grant Fund #7012, the Bioterrorism grant Fund #7321, Fairfield County Parks Fund# 7308, & Port Authority Fund # 7865 are all entitled to collect interest on the balance of their fund; and

**WHEREAS**, the Treasurer’s Office has balanced interest on all funds for the month of July 2024.

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**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, STATE OF OHIO:**

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Section 1: That the Fairfield County Auditor reflect the following memo receipts:

72730800 436100	Parks Interest Income	\$245.35
71701247 436100	WIC Interest Income	\$215.57
71732153 436100	Bioterrorism Interest Income	\$357.92
81786520 436100	Port Authority Interest Income	\$0.58
	Total - Agency Funds	<b>\$819.42</b>

These amounts represent monies owed to the WIC grant, Bioterrorism grant funds, Fairfield County Parks fund, & Port Authority Fund for interest collected and deposited into the General Fund as denoted above.

Section 2: That the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners approves the following expenditure of other expenses and requests that the Fairfield County Auditor accomplish the transaction as if a regular County Auditor warrant reimbursing the WIC grant, Bioterrorism grant fund, Fairfield County Parks fund, & Port Authority Fund for interest.

Memo expenditure as referenced in supporting documentation:

Account: 12100110 590000 Other Expenses

Amount: \$ 819.42

cc: Jamie Ehorn, Ginger Caito, Angel Conrad

**James N Bahnsen**

210 East Main Street

Lancaster, Ohio 43130

Fairfield County Treasurer

Telephone: (740)652-7140

August 23, 2024

Staci Knisley  
Fairfield County Commissioners' Office  
210 E. Main Street  
Lancaster, OH 43130

Dear Staci,

The enclosed forms are interest allocation calculations for the Clean Ohio Agricultural Easement Program Fund, the CDBG Rehab Mortgage Refunds Fund, the the CDBG Project Income Fund, the Smith Escrow Trust Clean Ohio Agricultural Easement Fund, the RLF/CDBG Fund, and the RLF/D Fund.

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2591 CDBG Rehab Mortgage Refunds	\$126.03
2675 CDBG Project Income	\$6.25
7113 Prepayment Fund	\$22.99
2716 RLF/CDBG Fund	\$178.45
2717 RLF/D Fund	\$944.22
7308 Fairfield County Historical Parks	\$245.35
7012 WIC Grant	\$215.57
7321 Bioterrorism Grant	\$357.92
5376 Self Fund Health Care	\$11,334.32
7865 Fairfield Port Authority (Econ Dev)	\$0.58

**Total** **\$13,431.68**

Respectfully,

James N Bahnsen  
Fairfield County Treasurer

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enclosures



JUL 24

**CDBG REHAB MORTGAGE REFUNDS**

Fund Number:	2591
Beginning Balance:	\$59,548.90
End of Month Balance:	59,646.64
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance(A):	\$59,597.77
All County Funds Beginning Balance:	284,223,876.32
All County Funds Ending Balance:	335,823,693.16
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance, All County Funds(B):	\$310,023,784.70
Total Investment Income for the Month:	\$655,575.79
(A) as a percent of (B):	0.000192236
Amount to be Allocated to Fund:	\$126.03

JUL 24

**CDBG PROJECT INCOME**

Fund Number:	2675
Beginning Balance:	\$2,953.20
End of Month Balance:	\$2,958.05
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance(A):	\$2,955.63
All County Funds Beginning Balance:	284,223,876.23
All County Funds Ending Balance:	335,823,693.16
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance, All County Funds(B):	\$310,023,784.70
Total Investment Income for the Month:	\$655,575.79
(A) as a percent of (B):	9.53354E-06
Amount to be Allocated to Fund:	\$6.25

JUL 24

PREPAYMENT FUND

Fund Number:	7113
Beginning Balance:	\$3,565.15
End of Month Balance:	\$18,176.75
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance(A):	\$10,870.95
All County Funds Beginning Balance:	284,223,876.23
All County Funds Ending Balance:	335,823,693.16
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance, All County Funds(B):	\$310,023,784.70
Total Investment Income for the Month:	\$655,575.79
(A) as a percent of (B):	3.50649E-05
Amount to be Allocated to Fund:	\$22.99

JUL 24

RLF/CDBG FUND

Fund Number: 2716  
Beginning Balance: \$82,067.75  
End of Month Balance: \$86,708.71  
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance(A): \$84,388.23

All County Funds Beginning Balance: 284,223,876.23  
All County Funds Ending Balance: 335,823,693.16  
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance, All County Funds(B): \$310,023,784.70

Total Investment Income for the Month: \$655,575.79

(A) as a percent of (B): 0.000272199

Amount to be Allocated to Fund: \$178.45

JUL 24

EDA RLF SEQUESTERED

Fund Number:	2717
Beginning Balance:	\$413,721.03
End of Month Balance:	\$479,327.79
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance(A):	\$446,524.41
All County Funds Beginning Balance:	284,223,876.32
All County Funds Ending Balance:	335,823,693.16
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance, All County Funds(B):	\$310,023,784.70
Total Investment Income for the Month:	\$655,575.79
(A) as a percent of (B):	0.001440291
Amount to be Allocated to Fund:	\$944.22

JUL 24

FAIRFIELD COUNTY HISTORICAL PARKS

Fund Number:	7308
Beginning Balance:	\$116,902.18
End of Month Balance:	\$115,151.26
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance(A):	\$116,026.72
All County Funds Beginning Balance:	284,223,876.32
All County Funds Ending Balance:	335,823,693.16
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance, All County Funds(B):	\$310,023,784.70
Total Investment Income for the Month:	\$655,575.79
(A) as a percent of (B):	0.000374251
Amount to be Allocated to Fund:	\$245.35

JUL 24

WIC

Fund Number:	7012
Beginning Balance:	\$105,557.20
End of Month Balance:	98,331.10
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance(A):	\$101,944.15
All County Funds Beginning Balance:	284,223,876.32
All County Funds Ending Balance:	335,823,693.16
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance, All County Funds(B):	\$310,023,784.70
Total Investment Income for the Month:	\$655,575.79
(A) as a percent of (B):	0.000328827
Amount to be Allocated to Fund:	\$215.57

JUL 24

BIOTERRORISM GRANT

Fund Number:	7321
Beginning Balance:	\$182,496.00
End of Month Balance:	156,026.48
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance(A):	\$169,261.24
All County Funds Beginning Balance:	284,223,876.32
All County Funds Ending Balance:	335,823,693.16
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance, All County Funds(B):	\$310,023,784.70
Total Investment Income for the Month:	\$655,575.79
(A) as a percent of (B):	0.000545962
Amount to be Allocated to Fund:	\$357.92



JUL 24

SELF FUND HLTH CARE

Fund Number:	5376
Beginning Balance:	\$5,288,525.26
End of Month Balance:	5,431,539.08
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance(A):	\$5,360,032.17
All County Funds Beginning Balance:	284,223,876.23
All County Funds Ending Balance:	335,823,693.16
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance, All County Funds(B):	\$310,023,784.70
Total Investment Income for the Month:	\$655,575.79
(A) as a percent of (B):	0.0172891
Amount to be Allocated to Fund:	\$11,334.32

JUL 24

FAIRFIELD CO PORT AUTHORITY (ECON DEV)

Fund Number:	7865
Beginning Balance:	\$273.82
End of Month Balance:	\$274.27
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance(A):	\$274.05
All County Funds Beginning Balance:	284,223,876.23
All County Funds Ending Balance:	335,823,693.16
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance, All County Funds(B):	\$310,023,784.70
Total Investment Income for the Month:	\$655,575.79
(A) as a percent of (B):	8.83948E-07
Amount to be Allocated to Fund:	\$0.58

***James N Bahnsen***

210 East Main Street

Lancaster, Ohio 43130

**Fairfield County Treasurer**

**Telephone: (740 ) 652-7140**

August 23, 2024

Staci Knisley  
Fairfield County Commissioners' Office  
210 E. Main St.  
Lancaster, OH 43110

Dear Staci,

The enclosed forms are interest allocation calculations for the Water and Sewer debt service and construction funds for July 2024.

Respectfully,

James N Bahnsen  
Fairfield County Treasurer

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Enclosures

Jul-24

Credit Amount	Fund#	Fund Name	GL#	Object
0.00	4300	BR - High Service ARE Water	12430033	436100
25.45	5461	Liberty Township Sewer	12546134	436100
3,225.80	5469	BR - Sewer VP Utility 99	12546933	436100
185.25	5533	Liberty Township Sewer Project	12553333	436100
870.94	5554	NR Tussing Rd Water Reclam Fac	12555433	436100
2.87	5555	BR - Sewer consolidation Bond 03	12555533	436100
583.59	5470	BR - Water VP Utility 99	12547026	436100
521.79	5534	Tussing Rd. WTF Improvement	12553426	436100
109.85	5556	BR - Water Consolidation BD 2003	12555626	436100

**Total Journal Entry      \$5,525.54**

JUL 24

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP SEWER

Fund Number:	5461
Beginning Balance:	\$12,023.19
End of Month Balance:	12,042.92
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance(A):	\$12,033.06
All County Funds Beginning Balance:	284,223,876.23
All County Funds Ending Balance:	335,823,693.16
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance, All County Funds(B):	\$310,023,784.70
Total Investment Income for the Month:	\$655,575.79
(A) as a percent of (B):	3.88133E-05
Amount to be Allocated to Fund:	\$25.45

JUL 24

BR-SEWER VP UTILITY 99

Fund Number:	5469
Beginning Balance	\$275,262.84
End of Month Balance:	2,775,720.35
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance(A):	\$1,525,491.60

All County Funds Beginning Balance:	284,223,876.23
All County Funds Ending Balance:	335,823,693.16
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance, All County Funds(B):	\$310,023,784.70

Total Investment Income for the Month:	\$655,575.79
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(A) as a percent of (B):	0.004920563
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Amount to be Allocated to Fund:	\$3,225.80
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JUL 24

LIBERTY TWP SEWER PROJECT

Fund Number:	5533
Beginning Balance:	\$87,533.47
End of Month Balance:	87,678.64
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance(A):	\$87,606.06
All County Funds Beginning Balance:	284,223,876.32
All County Funds Ending Balance:	335,823,693.16
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance, All County Funds(B):	\$310,023,784.70
Total Investment Income for the Month:	\$655,575.79
(A) as a percent of (B):	0.000282578
Amount to be Allocated to Fund:	\$185.25

JUL 24

**NR TUSSING RD WATER RECLAM FAC**

**Fund Number: 5554**  
**Beginning Balance: \$411,527.59**  
**End of Month Balance: 412,210.26**  
**Average of Beginning and Ending Balance(A): \$411,868.93**

**All County Funds Beginning Balance: 284,223,876.32**  
**All County Funds Ending Balance: 335,823,693.16**  
**Average of Beginning and Ending Balance, All County Funds(B): \$310,023,784.70**

**Total Investment Income for the Month: \$655,575.79**

**(A) as a percent of (B): 0.001328508**

**Amount to be Allocated to Fund: \$870.94**



JUL 24

BR SEWER CONSOLIDATION BOND 03

Fund Number:	5555
Beginning Balance:	\$1,355.32
End of Month Balance:	1,357.54
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance(A):	\$1,356.43
All County Funds Beginning Balance:	284,223,876.23
All County Funds Ending Balance:	335,823,693.16
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance, All County Funds(B):	\$310,023,784.70
Total Investment Income for the Month:	\$655,575.79
(A) as a percent of (B):	4.37524E-06
Amount to be Allocated to Fund:	\$2.87

JUL 24

BR-WATER VP UTILITY 99

Fund Number:	5470
Beginning Balance:	\$275,754.69
End of Month Balance:	276,212.60
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance(A):	\$275,983.65

All County Funds Beginning Balance:	284,223,876.23
All County Funds Ending Balance:	335,823,693.16
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance, All County Funds(B):	\$310,023,784.70

Total Investment Income for the Month:	\$655,575.79
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(A) as a percent of (B):	0.000890202
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Amount to be Allocated to Fund:	\$583.59
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JUL 24

TUSSING RD WTF IMP

Fund Number: 5534  
Beginning Balance: \$226,569.06  
End of Month Balance: 266,944.87  
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance(A): \$246,756.97

All County Funds Beginning Balance: 284,223,876.32  
All County Funds Ending Balance: 335,823,693.16  
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance, All County Funds(B): \$310,023,784.70

Total Investment Income for the Month: \$655,575.79

(A) as a percent of (B): 0.000795929

Amount to be Allocated to Fund: \$521.79

JUL 24

BR WATER CONSOLIDATION BD 2003

Fund Number:	5556
Beginning Balance:	\$49,662.01
End of Month Balance:	54,234.90
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance(A):	\$51,948.46

All County Funds Beginning Balance:	284,223,876.23
All County Funds Ending Balance:	335,823,693.16
Average of Beginning and Ending Balance, All County Funds(B):	\$310,023,784.70

Total Investment Income for the Month:	\$655,575.79
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(A) as a percent of (B):	0.000167563
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Amount to be Allocated to Fund:	\$109.85
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Interest Report Fairfield County July 2024

<u>Date</u>	<u>Pay-in</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Acct #</u>	<u>Description</u>
July 3, 2024	\$12,374.07	GENERAL	10 436100	DEPINVINT FNB SWEEP JUN 24
July 8, 2024	\$82,500.00	GENERAL	10 436100	DEPINVINT FIFTH THIRD MULT INV
July 9, 2024	\$546.38	GENERAL	10 436100	DEPINVINT FIFTH THIRD MULT INV
July 9, 2024	\$984.36	GENERAL	10 436100	DEPINVINT FIFTH THIRD MULT INV
July 9, 2024	\$105,615.58	GENERAL	10 436100	DEPINVINT FIFTH THIRD MULT INV
July 18, 2024	\$29,400.00	GENERAL	10 436100	DEPINVINT FIFTH THIRD MULT INV
July 18, 2024	\$2,321.12	GENERAL	10 436100	DEPINVINT FIFTH THIRD MULT INV
July 30, 2024	\$82,777.77	GENERAL	10 436100	DEPINVINT FIFTH THIRD MULT INV
July 31, 2024	\$84,905.20	GENERAL	10 436100	DEPINVINT FIFTH THIRD MULT INV
July 31, 2024	\$2,566.08	GENERAL	10 436100	DEPINVINT FIFTH THIRD MULT INV
July 31, 2024	\$952.60	GENERAL	10 436100	DEPINVINT FIFTH THIRD MULT INV
July 31, 2024	\$179,312.20	GENERAL	10 436100	DEPINVINT FIFTH THIRD MULT INV
July 31, 2024	\$71,320.43	GENERAL	10 436100	DEPINVINT FIFTH THIRD MULT INV
	<b>SUM:</b>			
	\$655,575.79			

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Signature Page

Resolution No. 2024-09.03.d

A resolution to approve a memo expense for interest allocation reimbursements for Fairfield Department of Health, Fairfield County Parks, & Fairfield County Port Authority – Fund #7012, #7321, #7308, & #7865.

(Fairfield County Commissioners)

This resolution has not yet been voted on.

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

It is hereby certified that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon by the Board of County Commissioners, Fairfield County, Ohio on the date noted above.

**A Resolution to set a Commissioner’s viewing date of September 24, 2024 at 12:30 p.m., and a final hearing date of October 1, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. to determine the necessity for establishing, altering, and widening of a culvert on Ginder Road (TR246) in Fairfield County, Ohio.**

**WHEREAS**, Section 5553.04 of the Ohio Revised Code, provides that when the Board of County Commissioners is of the opinion that it will be necessary for the public convenience and welfare to locate, establish, alter, widen, straighten, vacate, or change the direction of a public road, it shall so declare by resolution.

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**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, STATE OF OHIO:**

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**SECTION 1:** That it is necessary for the public convenience and welfare that proceedings be initiated to establish, alter, and widen a culvert in Fairfield County, Ohio to variable widths upon the following described location:

- 1. Ginder Road (TR246) in Greenfield Township, Section 13 over a tributary of Fetters Run to establish necessary right-of-way for a culvert replacement.**

**SECTION 2:** That September 24, 2024 at 12:30 p.m., on the line of said improvement be and the same is hereby fixed as the time and place for viewing location listed in Section 1 in Fairfield County, Ohio.

**SECTION 3:** That October 1, 2024 at 9:30 a.m., at the Office of the Fairfield County Commissioners the same is hereby fixed as the time and place for final hearing for the above described project.

**SECTION 4:** That the Clerk of this Board be and is hereby directed to cause legal publication thereof to be made in accordance with the law and to return a signed copy of this Resolution to the Engineer.

Prepared by: Randy Carter  
cc: Engineering Department





September 24, 2024 @ 12:30 p.m.

Culvert on Ginder Rd approximately 100 feet west of Stringtown Rd

Signature Page

Resolution No. 2024-09.03.e

A Resolution to set a Commissioner's viewing date of September 24, 2024 at 12:30 p.m., and a final hearing date of October 1, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. to determine the necessity for establishing, altering, and widening of a culvert on Ginder Road (TR246) in Fairfield County, Ohio.

(Fairfield County Engineer)

This resolution has not yet been voted on.

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

It is hereby certified that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon by the Board of County Commissioners, Fairfield County, Ohio on the date noted above.

**A Resolution to Approve the Contract Bid Award for the Salt Barn Concrete Pavement Project**

**WHEREAS**, the opening of sealed bids on August 23, 2024, for the Salt Barn Concrete Pavement Project, resulted in the following bids:

Jagger Construction, LLC	\$169,486.56
Arledge Construction, Inc.	\$199,497.14*
Central Structures LLC	\$205,312.00

\*Corrected during bid tabulation

**WHEREAS**, the Fairfield County Engineer is recommending that the Contract for the Salt Barn Concrete Pavement Project be awarded to Jagger Construction, LLC, 3907 Chestnut Oak Trail, Lima, OH 45807 a responsive and responsible Bidder, at the price shown above.

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**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, STATE OF OHIO:**

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**SECTION 1:** that this Board of Commissioners resolves to, and does hereby, approve the Award to Bid at the price shown above, to Jagger Construction, LLC for the Salt Barn Concrete Pavement Project.

**SECTION 2:** that the Clerk of this Board return a signed copy of this Resolution to the County Engineer for further processing.

Prepared by: Randy Carter  
cc: Engineering Office

Signature Page

Resolution No. 2024-09.03.f

A Resolution to Approve the Contract Bid Award for the Salt Barn Concrete Pavement Project

(Fairfield County Engineer)

This resolution has not yet been voted on.

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

It is hereby certified that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon by the Board of County Commissioners, Fairfield County, Ohio on the date noted above.

**A Resolution to amend a previously approved Agreement between The Ohio State University and Fairfield County Job & Family Services, Fairfield County Child Protective Services (CPS) Division**

**WHEREAS**, this Agreement between The Ohio State University, and the Fairfield County CPS, is a collaborative effort for the project title of Enhancing Permanency in Children and Families (EPIC) Program, and

**WHEREAS**, The Ohio State University and County CPS will partner through the involvement of our personnel, resources related to providing evidence-based and evidence-informed services to children and families involved with the child welfare system, and participating fully in the evaluation of these efforts. We also commit to provide substance use screening of parents and trauma screening and assessment for parents and children who enter the child welfare system. This amendment is necessary as it allows for Year 2 Sub-Award Period of Performance, which is revised to be consistent with the Sub-Award Period of Performance start and end date as stated below, and

**WHEREAS**, this amendment is to allow the grantor the ability to reimburse Fairfield County Job and Family Services for invoices they received after the grant period closed. The initial amendment had the incorrect dollar amount and had expired before the grantor was able to issue the reimbursement, therefore a second amendment is required,

**WHEREAS**, the Prosecuting Attorney has approved the agreement as to form,

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**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, AND STATE OF OHIO:**

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**Section 1.** The Fairfield County Board of Commissioners hereby approves this Amendment between The Ohio State University and Fairfield County Job & Family Services, Child Protective Services Division.

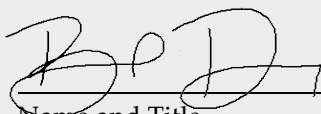
Prepared by: Brandi Downhour  
cc: JFS / Fiscal Supervisor

# ROUTING FORM FOR CONTRACTS

The undersigned designee of the County affirms that he/she has reviewed the attached contract to ensure that it complies with County's needs and previous negotiations. The undersigned designee further affirms that the County has complied with the competitive selection process, as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code, by selecting one of the boxes below.

- A.  Goods and/or Services in excess of \$50,000.00—competitively selected via an Invitation to Bid, pursuant to R.C. 307.86-307.92
- B.  Goods and/or Services in excess of \$50,000.00—competitively selected via a Request for Proposals, pursuant to R.C. 307.862
- C.  Public Improvement contracts—competitively selected pursuant to R.C. 153.08-153.12
- D.  Architect/Engineer design services for public improvements—selected through the Request for Qualifications process pursuant to R.C. 153.65-153.72
- E.  County Road Improvement/Construction—competitively selected pursuant to R.C. 5555.61
- F.  The subject matter was exempt from competitive selection for the following reason(s):
  - 1.  Under \$50,000
  - 2.  State Term #: \_\_\_\_\_ (copy of State Term Contract must be attached)
  - 3.  ODOT Term #: \_\_\_\_\_ (See R.C. 5513.01)
  - 4.  Professional Services (See R.C. 307.86)
  - 5.  Emergency (Follow procedure under ORC 307.86(A))
  - 6.  Sole Source (attach documentation as to why contract is sole source)
  - 7.  Other: \_\_\_\_\_ (cite to authority or explain why matter is exempt from competitive bidding)
- G.  Agreement not subject to Sections A-F (explain): \_\_\_\_\_
- H.  Compliance with Fairfield County Board of Commissioners Procurement Guidelines
  - 1.  No County employee, employee's family member, or employee's business associate has an interest in this contract OR such interest has been disclosed and reviewed by the Prosecutor's Office
  - 2.  No Finding for Recovery against Vendor as required under R.C. 9.24 (search via "Certified Search" on <http://ffr.ohioauditor.gov/>)
  - 3.  Obtained 3 quotes for purchases under \$50,000
  - 4.  Purchase Order is included with Agreement

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

  
\_\_\_\_\_ Budget Manager  
Name and Title

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## FDP Subaward Amendment

Awarding Agency  Amendment No   
 PTE/Prime Award No.  Subaward No

Pass-Through Entity (PTE) Subrecipient

Entity Name   
 Contact Email   
 Principal Investigator   
 Project Title

Cumulative Budget Period(s)		Amount Funded This Action	Total Amount of Funds Obligated to Date
(Agreement Start Date)	(End Date of Latest Budget Period)		
Start Date: <input type="text" value="09/30/2017"/>	End Date: <input type="text" value="09/30/2023"/>	<input type="text" value="\$ 266.00"/>	<input type="text" value="\$ 767,523.00"/>

Subrecipient Cost Share  Subject to FFATA  Subrecipient UEI (Unique Entity Identifier - May leave blank if unchanged from prior Agreement)

### Amendment(s) to Original Terms and Conditions

This Amendment revises the above-referenced Subaward Agreement as follows:

- Additional Budget Period**
- No Cost Extension**
- Additional Funding**  
 Additional funding in the amount of  is hereby obligated to this Subaward.
- Deobligation**
- Carryover is**
- Carryover Authorized**
- Detailed Budget/Scope of Work/Notice of Award Attached** (Specify if the Budget and Scope of Work are "New", "Revised", or "Supplemental" in dropdown or "Other")
- Other (See Below)**

Adding funds for late invoice payment only (September in the amount of \$5759.38)

OSU's invoice payment email address is apinvoices@osu.edu. Please be sure that invoices are directed to this address.

*For clarity: all amounts stated in this amendment are in United States Dollars.*

### All other terms and conditions of this Subaward Agreement remain in full force and effect.

By an Authorized Official of PTE: <div style="text-align: right; margin-right: 20px;">Date <input type="text"/></div>	By an Authorized Official of Subrecipient: <div style="text-align: right; margin-right: 20px;">Date <input type="text"/></div>
Name <input type="text" value="Laurie Rosenberg"/> Title <input type="text" value="Senior SPO, Subaward Lead"/>	Name <input type="text"/> Title <input type="text"/>



**A Contract regarding EPIC-2nd Amendment between Job and Family Services and**

Approved on 8/29/2024 7:58:59 AM by Sarah Fortner, Deputy Director

Sarah Fortner  
Deputy Director

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Approved on 8/29/2024 8:24:08 AM by Corey Clark, Director of Fairfield County Job & Family Services

Corey Clark, Director  
Fairfield County Job & Family Services



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Resolution No.

A Resolution to amend a previously approved Agreement between The Ohio State University and Fairfield County Job & Family Services, Fairfield County Child Protective Services (CPS) Division

(Fairfield County Job and Family Services)

Approved as to form on 8/29/2024 10:44:10 AM by Amy Brown-Thompson,



Amy Brown-Thompson  
Prosecutor's Office  
Fairfield County, Ohio

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Resolution No. 2024-09.03.g

A Resolution to amend a previously approved Agreement between The Ohio State University and Fairfield County Job & Family Services, Fairfield County Child Protective Services (CPS) Division

(Fairfield County Job and Family Services)

This resolution has not yet been voted on.

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

It is hereby certified that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon by the Board of County Commissioners, Fairfield County, Ohio on the date noted above.

**A resolution to approve a memo exp./ memo receipt for the costs of Bus Passes paid to Lancaster-Fairfield Public Transit as a memo expenditure for fund# 2072 Public Children’s Services**

**WHEREAS,** FCJFS is responsible for paying Lancaster- Fairfield Public Transit for their Bus Passes cost; and

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**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, STATE OF OHIO:**

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Section 1: That the Fairfield County Auditor reflect the following memo receipt:

12290800- 433034 - PT000 Reimbursement - \$600.00

This amount represents monies owed to Lancaster-Fairfield Public Transit for FCJFS’s cost paid to Lancaster-Public Transit as denoted in the attached documentation.

Section 2: That the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners approves the following expenditure of other expenses and requests that the Fairfield County Auditor accomplish the transaction as if a regular County Auditor warrant reimbursing Lancaster-Fairfield Public Transit for FCJFS’s Bus Passes cost.

Memo expenditure as referenced in supporting documentation:

Vendor #5672 Lancaster Public Transit System

Account: 12207207-562600 Materials & Supplies  
Amount: \$600.00

Prepared by: Morgan Fox, Fiscal Officer

cc: Courtney Martin, Lancaster-Fairfield Public Transit

# Lancaster-Fairfield Public Transit



746 Lawrence St P: 740-681-5086 Email: courtney.martin@fairfieldcountyohio.gov  
 Lancaster Ohio, 43130 F: 740-681-5088 Website: ci.lancaster.oh.us/transit/242

Bill To: JFS Contact: Jenette Lewis Invoice #: 81624  
 Address: 239 W. Main St Email: jenette.lewis@fairfieldcountyohio.gov Invoice Date: 8/16/2024  
 Lancaster Ohio 43130 Terms: 30 Days  
 Invoice For: Loop Passes **Note: PLEASE INCLUDE INVOICE # ON CHECK** Due Date: 9/15/2024

Pass Type	Description	Qty	Unit Price	Account Code	Price
31 Day	Loop Pass	20	\$ 30.00	Object Code:433034 Org: Code: 12290800 Charge Code: 4111 Grant:PT000	\$ 600.00
					\$ -
					\$ -
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					\$ -
Make all checks payable to Lancaster-Fairfield Public Transit. CREDIT CARDS NOT ACCEPTED				Invoice Subtotal	\$ 600.00
				<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 600.00

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Resolution No. 2024-09.03.h

A resolution to approve a memo exp./ memo receipt for the costs of Bus Passes paid to Lancaster-Fairfield Public Transit as a memo expenditure for fund# 2072 Public Children's Services

(Fairfield County Job and Family Services)

This resolution has not yet been voted on.

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

It is hereby certified that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon by the Board of County Commissioners, Fairfield County, Ohio on the date noted above.

**A resolution authorizing the approval of a CDBG Participation agreement by Fairfield County Board of Commissioners and the Village of Sugar Grove.**

**WHEREAS**, the Fairfield County Regional Planning Commission is requesting the Board of Commissioners approval of a participation agreement with the Village of Sugar Grove; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of the participation agreement is to outline the County's and Village's responsibilities regarding the PY23 CDBG Critical Infrastructure Program Funds for Rocket Way Sewer improvements within the Village of Sugar Grove; and

**WHEREAS**, this agreement shall be effective September 3, 2024 through August 31, 2025.

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**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, STATE OF OHIO:**

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**Section 1.** That the Fairfield County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the attached participation agreement with the Village of Sugar Grove.

Prepared by: Holly Mattei  
cc: Regional Planning

# ROUTING FORM FOR CONTRACTS

The undersigned designee of the County affirms that he/she has reviewed the attached contract to ensure that it complies with County's needs and previous negotiations. The undersigned designee further affirms that the County has complied with the competitive selection process, as prescribed by Ohio Revised Code 9.17, and the applicable sections as outlined on this form, by selecting the applicable boxes below.

- A.  Goods and/or Services in excess of \$75,000.00—competitively selected via an Invitation to Bid, pursuant to R.C. 307.86-307.92
- B.  Goods and/or Services in excess of \$75,000.00—competitively selected via a Request for Proposals, pursuant to R.C. 307.862
- C.  Public Improvement contracts—competitively selected pursuant to R.C. 153.08-153.12
- D.  Architect/Engineer design services for public improvements—selected through the Request for Qualifications process pursuant to R.C. 153.65-153.72
- E.  County Road Improvement/Construction—competitively selected pursuant to R.C. 5555.61
- F.  The subject matter was exempt from competitive selection for the following reason(s):
1.  Under \$75,000
  2.  State Term #: \_\_\_\_\_ (copy of State Term Contract must be attached)
  3.  ODOT Term #: \_\_\_\_\_ (See R.C. 5513.01)
  4.  Professional Services (See the list of exempted occupations/services under R.C. 307.86)
  5.  Emergency (Follow procedure under ORC 307.86(A))
  6.  Sole Source (attach documentation as to why contract is sole source)
  7.  Other: \_\_\_\_\_ (cite to authority or explain why matter is exempt from competitive bidding)
- G.  Agreement not subject to Sections A-F (explain): \_\_\_\_\_
- H.  Compliance with Fairfield County Board of Commissioners Procurement Guidelines
1.  No County employee, employee's family member, or employee's business associate has an interest in this contract OR such interest has been disclosed and reviewed by the Prosecutor's Office
  2.  No Finding for Recovery against Vendor as required under R.C. 9.24 (search via "Certified Search" on <http://ffr.ohioauditor.gov/>)
  3.  Obtained 3 quotes for purchases under \$75,000 (as applicable)
  4.  Purchase Order is included with Agreement

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.



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Name and Title

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**CDBG PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT  
COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD  
PY 2023 CDBG CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM**

This agreement made as of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, by and between the Board of Commissioners of Fairfield County, Ohio, hereinafter designated as “County” and the \_\_\_ Village of Sugar Grove\_, hereinafter designated as “the Village”, which for and in consideration of their mutual promises made herein agree as follows:

**I. COUNTY PAYMENTS TOWARD CDBG PROJECTS**

The Board of County Commissioners of Fairfield County, Ohio shall make payments up to \$470,000.00 towards the cost of construction for the following Projects, as selected by the \_\_\_ Village for PY 2023 CDBG Critical Infrastructure Program funding, or as such budget is revised with the approval of the Ohio Department of Development:

**ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION:**

- Rocket Way Sewer Project

The source of such County payments shall include and only include a PY 23 grant to the County from the Ohio Development Services Agency through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Allocation program, Grant Number B-X-23-1AV-1 and County payments are therefore conditions upon actually receiving such CDBG Allocation funds.

The disbursement and expenditure of County CDBG Allocation program funds shall be made only in compliance with the requirements of the County’s GRANT AGREEMENT with the State of Ohio. All work must be completed by August 31, 2025, unless such time period is extended by the Ohio Department of Development. Disbursements are limited by the approved “Project Costs and Use of Funds” to costs directly associated with the GRANT AGREEMENT.

**II. COUNTY COOPERATION**

The County Commissioners pledges its cooperation, support, and assistance to administer and disburse the CDBG Allocation program, funds in such a manner as to expedite and complete the Project in the best interests of the as well as in compliance with the requirements of the CDBG program and all other applicable state and federal laws and regulations.

**III. OTHER COUNTY RESPONSIBILITIES**

The County Commissioners shall assume the responsibilities for the administration of the CDBG Allocation program not otherwise set forth as being assumed by the Village in this Participation Agreement, it being further understood that even those responsibilities



being assumed by the Village insofar as the State of Ohio is concerned are first and foremost the responsibility of the County.

#### IV. COUNTY'S CLAIMS ON OWNERSHIP OF PROJECT IMPROVEMENTS

The County Commissioners will not have any claims on the ownership or use of any of the public improvements constructed or installed through the expenditure of County CDBG Allocation program funds except as otherwise set forth in this Participation Agreement. Likewise, the County will be free of any and all liabilities with regard to the public improvements except as regards its responsibilities to the State of Ohio for the proper administration of the CDBG funds.

#### V. VILLAGE'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The Village shall designate a Project Representative who will be responsible for coordinating with the County on Project activities and shall give the Project Representative the authority to work with the Project Engineer. Such activities may include delineating the Project location, locating of utilities, which may be affected by the Project, and other items requested by the Engineer which will enable the Contractor to properly construct the Project. In addition, the Village shall give the Project Representative the authority to approve the Project plans and specifications, any necessary Project change orders and all contractor payments on behalf of the Village. All such approval will be given along with those of the County and the Engineer. They (through the direction of the County) will be responsible for securing any required easements, waivers, appraisals, etc. in accordance with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended. The Project Representatives shall attend the Pre-Construction Conference and assist with local needs (i.e. provisions of a place to store materials near the site, site inspections in addition to those conducted by the Engineer, etc.). The Village shall incur the costs for design and construction inspection of the Project.

#### VI. BIDDING

The County shall be primarily responsible for bidding, contracting and construction management for all work elements outlined in the Grant Agreement with the Ohio Department of Development and for compliance with state and federal bidding and contracting regulations.

#### VII. OWNERSHIP AND USE OF PROJECT IMPROVEMENTS

Upon commencement of a substantial portion of the Project public improvements, the Village shall have and assume all ownership of such improvements, materials, etc. which are associated with the Project not otherwise remaining under ownership of a contractor or vendor and the Village shall have and assume all such ownership and liability upon completion of the Project. The Village agrees to retain ownership of and to operate and provide reasonable maintenance of the Project improvements for the purposes they were

intended for a period of ten (10) years or more following completion of Project activities funded in whole or in part with CDBG Allocation program funds.

The Village agrees to prohibit discrimination in the use of or benefits from the Project improvements on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or handicap in accord with State and Federal laws and regulations. The Village further agrees to operate the facilities in such a manner as to assure maximum feasible benefit to persons of low and moderate income households.

During such ten (10) year period if for any reason the Village is no longer able to maintain or operate the Village owned Project improvements for the purposes they were intended or in compliance with the terms of this Participation Agreement, the Village shall inform the County in writing of such actions or circumstances and shall fully cooperate with the County to make the most appropriate changes to comply as nearly as possible with the CDBG program intent and regulations.

#### VIII. ADDITIONAL FINANCING

The Village shall obtain and provide all additional financing needed to complete all Project public improvements. **In the event the Village becomes aware of any problems in providing and/or obtaining all additional financing needed, the Village shall immediately inform the County in writing and shall fully cooperate with the County in writing. The County will not approve any change orders above the amount of funds budgeted for this activity without prior Village approval.**

#### IX. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No member, official or employee of the Village shall have any personal interest, direct or indirect, in this Agreement or in the GRANT AGREEMENT conveying the CDBG Allocation funds to the County, nor shall any such member, official or employee participate in any decision relating to this Agreement or to the GRANT AGREEMENT which affects his/her personal interests or the interests of any corporation, partnership or association in which he/she is directly or indirectly, interested.

#### X. ACCESS TO RECORDS

The County, the Ohio Department of Development, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Comptroller of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, shall have access to any books, documents, papers and records of the Village which are directly pertinent to the CDBG Allocation and program and the use of its funds or any other funds on this Project, for the purpose of the making audit, examination, excerpts and transcriptions.

#### XI. TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

This Participation Agreement may be terminated by either party if there is substantial evidence that the other party failed to fulfill its responsibilities under the terms of this

This Participation Agreement may be terminated by either party if there is substantial evidence that the other party failed to fulfill its responsibilities under the terms of this Agreement or under the GRANT AGREEMENT attached hereto. Any such termination must be accomplished in writing. In the event of termination by either party, the Village shall not enter into any new or additional obligation of the CDBG Allocation funds or any contracts which are in any other way dependent on the expenditure of the CDBG Allocation funds. In the event of termination by either party, the County shall continue to be responsible for the expenditure of CDBG Allocation funds to fulfill Village obligations or contracts which were entered into prior to such termination, such responsibility being dependent on cooperative negotiation between both parties as to the least objectionable arrangements for closing out all such obligations and being dependent on the advice of and approval of the Ohio Department of Development.

XII. AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT

This Participation Agreement may be amended by the parties upon their mutual written agreement.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the County and the Village of Sugar Grove have entered into this Agreement by their duly authorized officials as of the date and year first above written.**

**Village of Sugar Grove**

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY**

Tyson Nye  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_, President

Mayor  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_, Member

\_\_\_\_\_, Member

**Approved as to form only:**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

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Resolution No.

A resolution authorizing the approval of a CDBG Participation agreement by Fairfield County Board of Commissioners and the Village of Sugar Grove.

(Fairfield County Regional Planning Commission)

Approved as to form on 8/29/2024 9:42:45 AM by Amy Brown-Thompson,



Amy Brown-Thompson  
Prosecutor's Office  
Fairfield County, Ohio

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Resolution No. 2024-09.03.i

A resolution authorizing the approval of a CDBG Participation agreement by Fairfield County Board of Commissioners and the Village of Sugar Grove.

(Fairfield County Regional Planning Commission)

This resolution has not yet been voted on.

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

It is hereby certified that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon by the Board of County Commissioners, Fairfield County, Ohio on the date noted above.

**A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category for Major Crimes; 7844 (8339) DART GRANT.**

**WHEREAS**, additional appropriations are needed in the major expenditure object category for 7844 (8339) DART AG Grant Fund for Major Crimes; and

**WHEREAS**, appropriating from unappropriated will allow proper accounting in the major expenditure object category.

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**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, STATE OF OHIO:**

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**Section 1.** The Fairfield County Board of Commissioners appropriate from unappropriated into the following category:

\$20,739.34; 78784406, Contract Services

Prepared by: Christy Noland

**A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category for Major Crimes; 7844 (8339) DART GRANT.**

Auditor only:

\$20,739.34            78784406 530000 Contract Services

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Resolution No. 2024-09.03.j

A resolution to appropriate from unappropriated in a major expenditure object category for Major Crimes; 7844 (8339) DART GRANT.

(South Central Major Crimes Unit)

This resolution has not yet been voted on.

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

It is hereby certified that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon by the Board of County Commissioners, Fairfield County, Ohio on the date noted above.



**A resolution to request for Appropriate from Unappropriated funds for 24/25 AG DART Grant Major Crimes Unit 7844**

**WHEREAS,** the Major Crimes Unit received a grant award for the 24/25 DART Law Enforcement Diversion Program Grant; and

**WHEREAS,** funds total amount of \$80,000; and

**WHEREAS,** monies are being reimbursed for grant approved purchases.

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**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, STATE OF OHIO:**

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**SECTION 1.** Request that the Fairfield County Commissioners Appropriate from Unappropriated funds in the amount of:

\$33,581.60 78784424 Personal Services

\$16,167.65 78784424 Fringe Benefits

Prepared by: Christy Noland  
cc: EMA

**A resolution to request for Appropriate from Unappropriated funds  
for 24/25 AG DART Grant Major Crimes Unit 7844**

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**For Auditor's Office Use Only:**

**Section 1.**

<b>1.1</b>	78784424	511010	Salaries	\$33,581.60
	78784424	521000	Health	\$11,009.18
	78784424	521100	Basic	\$17.10
	78784424	522000	Medicare	\$439.92
	78784424	523000	OPERS	\$4,701.45

**1.2.** Issue an Amended Certificate in the amount \$80,000.00 to credit of 7844 (8358).

**1.3.** Request that the Fairfield County Auditor, on behalf of the Budget Commission, update receipt line 78784424 433400 State Grants in the amount of \$80,000.00.

Prepared by: Christy Noland  
cc: EMA

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Resolution No. 2024-09.03.k

A resolution to request for appropriations for receipts for 24/25 AG DART Grant  
Major Crimes Unit 7844

(South Central Major Crimes Unit)

This resolution has not yet been voted on.

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

It is hereby certified that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon by the Board of County Commissioners, Fairfield County, Ohio on the date noted above.

**A resolution authorizing an account to account transfer for MCU Fund 7874 Grant**

**WHEREAS**, appropriations are needed to cover expenses for 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, an account to account transfer will allow for proper classification of major expenditure object categories.

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**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, STATE OF OHIO:**

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**Section 1.** That the transfer of appropriations in the amount of \$9743.80. is hereby authorized as follows:

FROM: 78787421 Materials and Supplies  
TO: 78787421 Contract Services

Prepared by: Christy Noland  
cc: EMA

**A resolution authorizing an account to account transfer for MCU  
Fund 7874 Grant**

Auditor Only:

\$9743.80. is hereby authorized as follows:

FROM: 78787421 561000 Materials and Supplies

TO: 78787421 530000 Contract Services

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Resolution No. 2024-09.03.I

A resolution authorizing an account to account transfer for MCU Fund 7874 Grant  
(South Central Major Crimes Unit)

This resolution has not yet been voted on.

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

It is hereby certified that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon by the Board of County Commissioners, Fairfield County, Ohio on the date noted above.

**A resolution to request for appropriations from unappropriated, and account to account for FY22 American Rescue Plan Major Crimes Unit 7892**

**WHEREAS**, the Major Crimes Unit received a grant award for the FY22 American Rescue Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, funds total amount of \$126,156.40; and

**WHEREAS**, monies were being reimbursed for grant approved purchases; and

**WHEREAS**, an account to account transfer will allow for proper classification of major expenditure object categories.

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**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, STATE OF OHIO:**

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**SECTION 1.** Request that the Fairfield County Commissioners appropriate from Unappropriated funds in the amount of:  
\$38,894.70 78789224 Contractual Services

**SECTION 2.** That the transfer of appropriations in the amount of \$2,387.47. is hereby authorized as follows:

FROM: 78789224 Materials and Supplies  
TO: 78789224 Contract Services

Prepared by: Christy Noland  
cc: EMA

**A resolution to request for appropriations from unappropriated, and account to account for FY22 American Rescue Plan Major Crimes Unit 7892**

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**For Auditor's Office Use Only:**

**Section 1.**

**1.1** 78789224 530000 Contract Services \$38,894.70

**1.2.** Issue an Amended Certificate in the amount \$126,156.40 to credit of 7892.

**1.3.** Request that the Fairfield County Auditor, on behalf of the Budget Commission, update receipt line 78789223 433100 Federal Grants in the amount of \$126,156.40.

**Section 2.**

\$2,387.47

From: 78789224 560000 Materials and Supplies

To: 78789224 530000 Contract Services

Prepared by: Christy Noland

cc: EMA



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Resolution No. 2024-09.03.m

A resolution to request for appropriations for receipts for FY22 American Rescue Plan Major Crimes Unit 7892

(South Central Major Crimes Unit)

This resolution has not yet been voted on.

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

It is hereby certified that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon by the Board of County Commissioners, Fairfield County, Ohio on the date noted above.

**A resolution authorizing the approval of payment of invoices for departments that need Board of Commissioners' approval.**

**WHEREAS**, departments that need the Board of Commissioners' approval for payment of their invoices have submitted their invoices to the County Auditor; and

**WHEREAS**, the County Auditor has submitted the cash disbursement journal for payment of invoices for the check date of September 5, 2024.

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**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, FAIRFIELD COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO:**

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**Section 1.** That the Fairfield County Board of County Commissioners approves the attached cash disbursement journal.

Prepared by: Auditor/Finance  
cc: Finance Office

**INVOICES BY DEPARTMENT**

09/05/2024 to 09/05/2024

Check #	Check Date	Vendor #	Vendor Name	Invoice #	Invoice Date	PO #	Warrant	Line Item Description	Amount
<b>1200 COMMISSIONERS ADMIN</b>									
<b>Fund: 1001 - GENERAL FUND</b>									
1586428	09/05/2024	80132	AUNDREA N CORDLE	8/22/24	08/22/2024	24000057	C0903	SPBR CONFERENCE REIMBURSEMENT	65.53
1586429	09/05/2024	82133	JEFF PORTER	8/22/24	08/22/2024	24000207	C0903	REIMBURSEMENT DESSERTS FOR SOC	114.00
<b>Fund: 2876 - FISCAL RECOVERY (ARP)</b>									
5408964	09/05/2024	7002	MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC	8230473174	08/13/2024	24005014	C0903	New Camera System and Access Control System	171,729.25
								<b>TOTAL: COMMISSIONERS ADMIN</b>	<b>171,908.78</b>

**INVOICES BY DEPARTMENT**

09/05/2024 to 09/05/2024

**Department**

Check #	Check Date	Vendor #	Vendor Name	Invoice #	Invoice Date	PO #	Warrant	Line Item Description	Amount
<b>1270</b>			<b>COMM-MAINTENANCE</b>						
			<b>Fund: 3435 - PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT FUND</b>						
5408965	09/05/2024	18149	AMERICAN COATINGS CORP	2024-00842	08/14/2024	24003300	C0903	Record Center & Baldwin (EFMC) 8/14/24	82,075.00
							<b>TOTAL: COMM-MAINTENANCE</b>		<b>82,075.00</b>

**INVOICES BY DEPARTMENT**

09/05/2024 to 09/05/2024

**Department**

Check #	Check Date	Vendor #	Vendor Name	Invoice #	Invoice Date	PO #	Warrant	Line Item Description	Amount
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Summary Total for this report: **\$253,983.78**

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Commissioner Steven A. Davis

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Commissioner Jeffrey M. Fix

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Commissioner David L. Levacy

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Resolution No. 2024-09.03.n

A resolution authorizing the approval of payment of invoices for departments that need Board of Commissioners' approval.

(Fairfield County Commissioners)

This resolution has not yet been voted on.

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