# Warren County Commissioners Public Meeting May 25, 2022 12:10 p.m. Jackson Courtroom

Commissioner Benjamin Kafferlin called the meeting of the Warren County Commissioners to order with Commissioner Tricia Durbin and Commissioner Jeff Eggleston present

Staff Present: Pamela Matve, Chief Clerk, Reilly Enlow, Attorney Nathaniel Schmidt, Krystle Ransom, Director of Elections, and Phil Gilbert, Director of Tax Claim,

Citizens Present: Josh Cotton (WTO)

Announcements: Commissioner Benjamin Kafferlin announced that this meeting is being recorded

**Meetings held since the last meeting:** Commissioner Benjamin Kafferlin stated that there were 3 meeting for which all three commissioners were in attendance since the last meeting, this included two executive and one informational meeting.

**Correspondence:** None

**Public Comment:** 

### **Consent Agenda:**

Minutes from the May 11, 2022 Public Meeting and Public Hearing: No corrections or additions to be made.

**Finance Report:** Reilly Enlow gave the financial report stating that after all expenses are paid, to which she reviewed the balance in the general fund is \$1,495,298.00, and in the Erie Bank is \$745,085.00.

Reilly stated that we have borrowed \$500,000 from the Savings Account and \$750,000 from the American Rescue Plan Funds.

**Proclamation(s):** None

Motion was made by Commissioner Tricia Durbin, seconded by Commissioner Jeff Eggleston to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Old Business:**

### **New Business:**

**Approval of the Walmart Tax Settlement:** Motion was made by Commissioner Tricia Durbin, seconded by Commissioner Jeff Eggleston to approve the Walmart Tax Settlement at an assessed value of \$1,589,000 for tax year 2021 and \$1,449,000 for tax year 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

**Agreement with Tyler Technologies:** Motion was made by Commissioner Tricia Durbin, seconded by Commissioner Jeff Eggleston to approve the agreement with Tyler Technologies for A/P Automation. Motion carried unanimously.

**Agreement with Government Software Services (GSS):** Motion was made by Commissioner Tricia Durbin, seconded by Commissioner Jeff Eggleston to approve the agreement with Government Software Services. Motion carried unanimously.

**Agreement with ADP for Recruitment Module:** Motion was made by Commissioner Tricia Durbin, seconded by Commissioner Jeff Eggleston to approve the Agreement with ADP for the Recruitment module at \$5,301.00 per year. Motion carried unanimously.

**Appointment(s) to the TAWC Board:** Motion was made by Commissioner Tricia Durbin, seconded by Commissioner Jeff Eggleston to appoint Erik Krantz to the Transit Authority Board to replace Al Hendricks term effective June30, 2022. Also approving the reappointment of Gene Conklin and Michael Montecalvo for an addition five-year term. Motion carried unanimously.

**Resolution #3214 Authorizing Palmetto Posting and Approve Agreement Amendment:** Motion was made to approve Resolution 3214 to render services from Palmetto Posting for Tax Claim along with the amendment to the agreement for 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

**Letter of Support for HB 2434 for EMS:** Commissioner Benjamin Kafferlin stated that this letter is to show support for raising the Medicaid reimbursement rates for Emergency Medical Services.

Motion was made by Commissioner Tricia Durbin, second by Commissioner Jeff Eggleston to approve the support letter for HB 2434. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Commissioner Comments:**

\*Commissioner Benjamin Kafferlin stated that they did receive the report from MCM Consulting for the Refugee Risk Assessment. He stated that this is a 15-page report and highlighted some important items.

We asked for a number of refugees that Warren County could handle with the resources we have. Their report has various diagrams on how we can do this. It states that each refugee will receive \$900.00 from the US Government when they first arrive. While here they would be eligible for supplemental income.

The President says the US will take in 100,000 refugees and this could increase.

In this report it states that areas such as the City of Warren, Conewango, parts of Brokenstraw, Glade and Pleasant are the best areas with resources available. The report also state that we can handle 15 up to 50 with the existing services we have in place.

Commissioner Benjamin Kafferlin stated that he will share this information with the Ministerial Association and let them know we are here if they need help.

Commissioner Tricia Durbin asked if they had a committee working on this to which Commissioner Benjamin Kafferlin stated

Phil Gilbert asked how an individual could help if they had housing available. Commissioner Benjamin Kafferlin stated that they should get in touch with the Ministerial Association.

\*Commissioner Tricia Durbin stated that she sits on the Rouse Estate Compensation Committee and they have outlined what needs to be done to keep the talent we currently have. There are many empty positions.

\*Commissioner Benjamin Kafferlin reviewed information from a group that will look into grant funding for areas such as sea walls, EMS, and rural roads Initiative.

Adjournment: Motion was made by Commissioner Tricia Durbin, seconded by Commissioner Jeff Eggleston to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 12:35 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

Pamela J. Matve

Chief Clerk

Approved:

Jeff Eggleston

Warren County Commissioner