

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF COLUMBIANA COUNTY, OHIO,
MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN THEIR OFFICE IN THE COURTHOUSE, LISBON, OHIO
ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2010 AT 9:00 A.M.

ROLL CALL: MS. TRAINA, MR. HOPPEL, MR. BING

CLERK: SCHERRY WILSON

PRAYER WAS GIVEN BY JOHN HERSH, OZER MINISTRIES



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COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S MEETING PRAYER
FEBRUARY 3, 2010

WE THANK YOU FOR KEEPING US ALL SAFE DURING THESE
WINTER MONTHS. PROTECT AND GUIDE US IN THE MONTHS TO COME.

GUIDE AND DIRECT EVERY DECISION THAT IS MADE TODAY.
THESE DECISIONS WILL BENEFIT OUR COUNTY AND EVERY CITIZEN
OF COLUMBIANA COUNTY. DIRECT OUR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AND PROVIDE MUCH NEEDED FINANCES FOR THE MANY AND VARIOUS
PROGRAMS THAT BENEFIT OUR COUNTY AND ITS CITIZENS.

WE THANK YOU FOR OUR FREEDOM WHICH WE ENJOY.
PROTECT AND GUIDE OUR MEN & WOMEN SERVING IN OUR ARMED
SERVICES, BOTH STATESIDE AND OVERSEAS. ALSO, PROTECT OUR
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND FIREMEN, AS THEY SERVE TO
PROTECT US ALL.

WE PRAY FOR ALL OF OUR GOVERNMENTAL OFFICIALS,
NATIONAL, STATE, COUNTY, AND LOCAL, THAT YOU WILL GUIDE
THEM AND THEIR DECISIONS EACH AND EVERY DAY.

I LIFT THESE TO YOU THIS DAY, IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER,
THE SON, AND HOLY SPIRIT.

A-MEN

RE: MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Hoppel, seconded by, Mr. Bing to dispense with the reading of the minutes and the bills of the
regular meeting of January 27, 2010 and approve them as written.

VOTE RESULTED:
AYES: BING, TRAINA, HOPPEL
NAYES: NONE
MOTION CARRIED

RE: TRAVEL

Motion by Mr. Bing, seconded by Mr. Hoppel to, approve travel as presented:

- HUMAN SERVICES (4) FEBRUARY 4, 2010, AKRON \$95.00 (Deal, Burbick, Mercer, Beverly)
- HUMAN SERVICES (1) FEBRUARY 4, 2010, AKRON \$65.00 (Geho)
- HUMAN SERVICES (1) FEBRUARY 5, 2010, AKRON \$65.00 (Pomaro)
- HUMAN SERVICES (1) FEBRUARY 10, 2010, AKRON \$65.00 (Carosella)

VOTE RESULTED:
 AYES: BING, TRAINA, HOPPEL
 NAYES: NONE
 MOTION CARRIED

RE: THEN & NOW BILLS

Motion by Mr. Hoppel, seconded by Mr. Bing to approve Then & Now bills as presented.

LAW LIBRARY	PO#434969	WEST PAY'T CENTER	\$4,310.00
DEVELOPMENT	PO#435031	BLECKMAN & ASSOC.	\$6,775.00
DEVELOPMENT	PO#435033	MANCUSO CONST	\$15,373.00
DEVELOPMENT	PO#435022	RALPH JONES	\$13,615.00
JUVENLIE	PO#434949	SAFELY HOME	\$6,810.08
AUDITOR	PO#435089	CNTY AUDITORS ASSOC	\$3,000.00
EMA	PO#435004	TRI-COUNTY	\$6,925.00
HUMAN SERVICES	PO#434377	NOVA MEDICAL	\$15,105.16
DEVELOPMENT	PO#435209	X-TREME DEMO	\$4,900.00
DEVELOPMENT	PO#435208	CURTIS CRUMP	\$8,900.00
DEVELOPMENT	PO#435025	MA VERICK	\$9,622.00
DEVELOPMENT	PO#435026	PUSATERI	\$14,450.00
DEVELOPMENT	PO#435053	HOWLAND CO.	\$5,250.00
AUDITOR	PO#435158	MANATRON	\$4,866.91
AUDITOR	PO#435156	MANATRON	\$8,936.99
ENGINEER	PO#214571	SOUTHWEST FUELS	\$3,483.83
DEVELOPMENT	PO#435206	JENNIFER GRAY	\$5,088.75

VOTE RESULTED:
 AYES: BING, TRAINA, HOPPEL
 NAYES: NONE
 MOTION CARRIED

RE: ACCEPT COURT/AGENCY REPORTS FOR JOURNALIZATION

Motion by Mr. Bing, seconded by Mr. Hoppel to journalize Municipal Court and East Liverpool Municipal Court Reports for January 2010 and 2009 DTAC Annual Report.

VOTE RESULTED:
AYES: BING, TRAINA, HOPPEL
NAYES: NONE
MOTION CARRIED

RE: AMENDED CERTIFICATE AND APPROPRIATIONS

Motion by Mr. Hoppel, seconded by Mr. Bing to; accept as presented by the Office of Budget Commission the Amended Certificate dated February 3, 2010 and the following appropriations:

CERTIFY:

A00 \$258,177.05

APPROPRIATE:

T31-E-1010	\$8,361.30	P02-E-0002	\$5,000.00	P02-E-1010	\$9,699.06
P03-E-0002	\$3,000.00	P03-E-0008	\$420.00	P03-E-0009	\$75.00
P03-E-1010	\$3,012.71	P04-E-0010	\$3,000.00	P04-E-1006	\$7,000.00
P04-E-1009	\$10,802.38	P04-E-1010	\$20,000.00	P05-E-0002	\$10,000.00
P05-E-1006	\$10,402.50	P05-E-0999	\$5,000.00	P05-E-1010	\$10,000.00
P06-E-2001	\$29,134.34	P06-E-1010	\$20,000.00	P07-E-1006	\$10,000.00
P07-E-1010	\$23,293.16	P07-E-0999	\$20,000.00	P08-E-1010	\$27,125.41
P09-E-1010	\$16,108.10	P10-E-0999	\$2,000.00	P10-E-1000	\$3,857.71
P10-E-1006	\$20,000.00	P10-E-1004	\$500.00	P10-E-1009	\$19,500.00

VOTE RESULTED:
AYES: BING, TRAINA, HOPPEL
NAYES: NONE
MOTION CARRIED

Commissioner Bing attended Multi County yesterday where the Board approved the hiring of the Architect for the Tuscarawas County Facility.

Commissioner Traina announced that the Columbiana County moved forward with the Recovery Zone Bonds and sent the county's' request to the state. There is \$5,277,000 in facility bonds and \$3,518,000 in economic development bonds to be disbursed.

RE: ADOPT RESOLUTION #6-2010 CANCER LEVY, HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Motion by Mr. Hoppel; seconded by Mr. Bing to, adopt Resolution #6-2010, declaring it necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten mill limitation for the benefit of General Health District of Columbiana County, Ohio, for the purpose of providing an adequate amount for meeting expenses of the General Health District of Columbiana County in the operation of the Columbiana County Cancer Detection Clinic Program. This levy is a renewal of an existing levy.

RESOLUTION NO. 6-2010

RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN MILL LIMITATION

R.C. Section(s) 3709.29

The Board of County Commissioners of Columbiana County, Ohio, met in Regular session on the 3rd day of February, 2010, at the office of the Board with the following members present:

- Commissioner Traina
Commissioner Hoppel
Commissioner Bing

Commissioner Hoppel moved the adoption of the following

WHEREAS, the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten mill limitation by levies on the current tax duplicate will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of the General Health District of Columbiana County, Ohio;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Commissioners of Columbiana County, Ohio, that:

Section 1. It is necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten mill limitation for the benefit of General Health District of Columbiana County, Ohio, for the purpose of providing an adequate amount for meeting expenses of the General Health District of Columbiana County in the operation of the Columbiana County Cancer Detection Clinic program, at a rate not exceeding two tenths (0.2) mill(s) for each dollar of valuation, which amounts to Two Cents (\$0.02) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for tax years 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019, and which levy is a RENEWAL of an existing levy of 0.2 mill

Section 2. The question of levying additional taxes shall be submitted to the electors of said General Health District of Columbiana County, Ohio, at the primary election to be held at the usual voting places within said General Health District of Columbiana County, Ohio, on the 4th day of May, 2010.

Section 3. Said levy be extended on the tax list of the General Health District of Columbiana County, Ohio, if a majority of the electors voting thereon vote in favor thereof.

VOTE RESULTED:
AYES: BING, TRAINA, HOPPEL
NAYES: NONE
MOTION CARRIED

RE: JOURNALIZE PUBLIC NOTICE, OHIO EPA

Motion by Mr. Bing, seconded by Mr. Hoppel to; journalize a Public Notice from the Ohio EPA with regards to the Mahoning River Watershed.

VOTE RESULTED:
AYES: BING, TRAINA, HOPPEL
NAYES: NONE
MOTION CARRIED

Eric Matthews updated the Board of Commissioners on the Litter Program. He has submitted 19 different grants and had 14 of them approved. The Litter Prevention Program had 250 educational programs last year. Mr. Matthews stated that all the grants are with no required match.

RE: APPROVE 2010 LITTER CLEANUP GRANT AGREEMENT

Motion by Mr. Hoppel, seconded by Mr. Bing to; approve 2010 Litter Cleanup Grant Agreement between the Director of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, through the Chief of the Division of Recycling & Litter Prevention and Columbiana County.

2010 Litter Cleanup Grant Agreement

This Agreement is made and entered into by and between the Director of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, through the Chief of the Division of Recycling & Litter Prevention, hereinafter referred to as the Department, and Columbiana County, hereinafter referred to as the Grantee.

WITNESSETH THAT:

WHEREAS the Grantee, as authorized under Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 1502, has applied to the Department for grant funding to implement a 2010 Litter Cleanup Grant, hereinafter referred to as the 2010 LCC;

WHEREAS the Grantee agrees to perform in compliance with the terms, provisions, conditions, and covenants as outlined in the Grantee's approved application and the 2010 Litter Cleanup Grant Application Handbook; and

WHEREAS the Grantee has been authorized by its governing body to enter into an agreement with the Department to administer said grant; and

WHEREAS 2010 LCC funds to the amount of \$25,000.00 have been recommended by Purchase Order Number _____, Disbursements of the State of Ohio are subject to the provisions of ORC, Section 734.07;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants by and between the parties hereto, the parties agree as follows:

I. The Department hereby awards to the Grantee a grant to be used to fund the 2010 Litter Cleanup Grant project detailed in the Grantee's application and approved by the Department. The grant shall be used for the purposes of the items that are not part of the approved budget or costs in excess of amounts specified in the approved budget. All not be reimbursed by the Department. Any grant-related expenditures made prior to the effective date of the grant agreement will not be reimbursed.

II. The Grantee agrees to maintain and expand the required match, detailed in the Grantee's application.

III. The Department shall pay to the Grantee, subject to cash availability, one hundred percent (100%) of its total grant award, to be used for project costs according to the Grantee's approved application.

IV. The Grantee shall implement the project and expend the grant funds in accordance with the Grantee's approved application and the 2010 Litter Cleanup Grant Application Handbook.

VOTE RESULTED:
AYES: BING, TRAINA, HOPPEL
NAYES: NONE
MOTION CARRIED

RE: LETTER OF SUPPORT, NEWLIFE TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

Motion by Mr. Bing, seconded by, Mr. Hoppel to, approve a Letter of Support for NewLife Technical Institute and their vision to Restore Hope, Dignity and Prosperity to economically distressed communities through the delivery of high quality training programs targeted to regional industry needs.



COLUMBIANA COUNTY
Board of County Commissioners

Henry L. Traina, President
Jim Hoppel
Daniel T. Bing

February 3, 2010

Senator Sherrod Brown
Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

RE: NewLife Technical Institute

We the Board of Columbiana County Commissioners, would like to voice our support of NewLife Technical Institute and their vision to "Restore Hope, Dignity and Prosperity to economically distressed communities through the delivery of high quality training programs targeted to regional industry needs." That vision is built around a multi-faceted approach to economic growth, retooling the local workforce and job creation. We share their belief that we can't bring the industries of yesterday back, but we can equip people that are willing to do what it takes to step into the workforce of tomorrow.

America desperately needs to retool our workforce to compete in the new 21st world market. This is a reality that we are all facing. We need a workforce that is skilled, flexible, and able to adapt to the needs of the 21st century. We need a workforce that is not just trained in the classroom, but that is also equipped with the skills and experience to succeed in the workplace. NewLife's focus on individuals that have often overlooked by cutting edge industries (dislocated workers, individuals from generational poverty, etc) could provide a substantial increase in that skilled labor pool.

NewLife is also unique in that they combine core curriculum in technical skills along with a basic foundational teaching methodology focusing on the life and social skills that employers expect of new employees, but that are often lacking in the chronically unemployed and/or underemployed individuals that they serve. NewLife utilizes a fast-track approach preparing graduates for work in 12 months or less. As a non-profit organization, they are also able to offer the highest quality of training available at a cost up to 70% less than other technical institutes.

VOTE RESULTED:
AYES: HOPPEL, BING, TRAINA
NAYES: NONE
MOTION CARRIED

Julie Herron addressed the Board of Commissioners with an update of what activities were going to take place during Columbiana County 4-H Week. A number of 4-H participants and supporters were in attendance.

RE: PROCLAMATION COLUMBIANA COUNTY 4-H WEEK

Motion by Mr. Hoppel, seconded by, Mr. Bing to; approve a proclamation, proclaiming February 7th through February 13th as the 2010 Columbiana County 4-H Week.

PROCLAMATION
COLUMBIANA COUNTY 4-H WEEK

- WHEREAS, the 4-H Program: a community of young people across America learning leadership, citizenship, and life skills.
- WHEREAS, the Ohio State University Extension 4-H Program is a county funded program to benefit young people 5- 18 years of age in Columbiana County. This program is open to all such youth to provide learning experiences and opportunities on a nondiscriminatory basis without regard to race, color, gender identity or expression, disability, religion, sexual orientation, or national origin.
- WHEREAS, the 4-H Program strives to incorporate the following elements:
- Positive Relationship with a Caring Adult
 - Inclusive Environment
 - Opportunity to Value and Practice Service
 - Opportunity for Mastery
 - A Safe Environment
 - Opportunity for Self-Determination
 - Engagement in Learning
 - To Be An Active Participant in the Future.

WHEREAS, the Columbiana County 4-H Program in 2009 impacted approximately 2000 youth through participation in clubs, camps, and leadership experiences, utilizing the leadership skills of 200 adult volunteers.

WHEREAS, the COLUMBIANA COUNTY 4-H WEEK will highlight activities of the 4-H clubs through displays in local businesses, and presentations to local groups. Our purpose is to increase awareness of the 4-H Program in Columbiana County and to promote growth in 4-H.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Columbiana County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim February 7th through 13th as the 2010 COLUMBIANA COUNTY 4-H WEEK.

Signed this 3rd day of February, 2010

Penny Traina
Penny Traina

Jim Hoppel
Jim Hoppel

Daniel Bing
Daniel Bing



VOTE RESULTED:
AYES: TRAINA, HOPPEL, BING
NAYES: NONE
MOTION CARRIED

County Engineer Bert Dawson addressed the Board of Commissioners regarding a piece of property that needs to be quitclaimed for the installation of a pump station for Buckeye Water to increase pressure.

RE: QUITCLAIM DEED,

Motion by Mr. Bing, seconded by Mr. Hoppel to; approve a Quit Claim Deed To Calvin Carney for real estate situated in the Township of Madison, County of Columbiana and State of Ohio; known as and being a part of the north half Section #9, Township #10, Range #2. This is for the installation of a pump station in West Point for Buckeye Water.

That THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, COLUMBIANA COUNTY, OHIO, Grantor, for valuable consideration paid, grants to CALVIN CARNEY, GRANTEE, whose tax mailing address is:

P.O. Box 511
West Point, OH 44492

QUIT-CLAIM DEED
KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

Situated in the Township of Madison, County of Columbiana, and State of Ohio; known as and being a part of the north half of Section #9, Township #10, Range #2 and being more fully described as follows:
Commencing at the southeast corner of the southwest quarter of Section #4;

North 89 degrees 07 minutes 00 seconds West a distance of 696.30 feet to the northwest corner of a 27.83 acre tract now or formerly owned by Jeffrey W. and Mabel K. Mundy as described in O.R.V. 725/Page 576 of the deed records of Columbiana County;

Then along the westerly line of said 27.83 acre tract a record call of South 42 degrees 57 minutes West a distance of 1311.60 feet to a point on the centerline of S.R. #518, said route also formerly known as S.R. #45;

Then along the centerline of said S.R. #518 a record call of South 29 degrees 09 minutes East a distance of 21.02 feet to the northeasterly corner of Tract #4 of lands now or formerly owned by Calvin Carney as described in Deed Volume 938/Page 285 of the deed records of Columbiana County;

Then North 42 degrees 59 minutes 11 seconds East, along the common boundary of said lands of Carney and Mundy, a distance of 158.84 feet to an iron pin found, passing over an iron pin found at 31.52 feet;
Then continuing with the common boundary lines of said Carney and Mundy the following 3 courses and distances:

Then South 31 degrees 46 minutes 00 seconds East, a distance of 284.83 feet to a point, said line passing over an iron pin found at 186.62 feet;

Then North 73 degrees 49 minutes 09 seconds East, a distance of 133.19 feet to an iron pin found;

VOTE RESULTED:
AYES: BING, TRAINA, HOPPEL
NAYES: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

County Engineer Bert Dawson informed the Board of Commissioners that \$516,265.00, that was originally an EPA loan, has been reconstructed into a grant thus, saving the citizens around \$7.50 monthly.

OHIO WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN FUND
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
Amended ARRA Full Project Business Assistance Agreement
Revised Section 1511 Project Certification, and Revised Disbursement Protocol

Borrower:	Columbiana County
Project Name:	Glennmoor/LaCroft Sanitary Sewers
Project Description:	The project consists of the construction of the Glennmoor/LaCroft Sanitary Sewers Phase I & II.
Total Project Cost:	\$8,985,003.00
ARRA Award Amount:	Original: \$1,500,000.00 Increase: \$ 516,265.00 Revised Total: \$2,016,265.00
Project Identification Number:	CS399015-0004
WPCLF/ARRA Assistance Agreement Date:	October 26, 2008

1. We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to amend the above-referenced WPCLF Assistance Agreement by increasing the WPCLF/ARRA assistance amount to \$2,016,265.00.
2. We, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the ARRA infrastructure investment has received the full review and vetting required by law, and accept responsibility that the infrastructure investment is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars.
3. In accordance with the Inter-Agency Agreement between the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and the Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA) dated 11/10/07, we agree to amend the OWDA to disburse up to \$2,016,265.00 from the WPCLF ARRA Capitalization Grant Account to the Borrower in conformance with this Protocol, the Inter-Agency Agreement and the above-referenced WPCLF Assistance Agreement as hereby amended.

Chris Korfkeal, Director of Ohio EPA

Borrower Signature

Date
1-28-10
Date

Fanny Traina, President
Borrower Name and Title

RECESS AT 9:38 A.M.

OUT OF RECESS 10:00 A.M.

RE: BID OPENING STUMP BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, ENGINEER

Motion by Mr. Hoppel seconded by Mr. Bing to, accept and open bids for WES-149-30 Stump Road Bridge Replacement. All bids were opened and referred to the County Engineer for further review.

Bid Results:

Project: WES-149-30 / Stump Road BRIDGE REPAIRS		BERT DAWSON PE, PS COLUMBIANA COUNTY ENGINEER LISBON, OHIO		Bid Date: February 3, 2010	Bid Open Time: 10:00 A.M. - OHIO TIME
BIDDER	TOTAL "BASE BID" (2)	TOTAL "ALTERNATE BID" (3)	BONDING		
A.P. O'HORO COMPANY					
DOT CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION	321,946.92	448,841.60			
R.M.S. COMPANY					
SHELDON GANTT, INC	182,744.00	269,970.80			

VOTE RESULTED:
AYES: BING, TRAINA, HOPPEL
NAYES: NONE
MOTION CARRIED

RE: PUBLIC HEARING 1% SALES TAX

Commissioner Traina opened the second Public Hearing on the 1% sales tax.

Commissioner Traina asked if anyone had questions or comments on the sales tax?

Fred Jennings from Salem "I Speak in favor of the 1% Sales Tax, I have a statement, May I read it?"

Sharon and I live on retirement income and reside in Columbiana County. In 2009, we paid \$420.00 State Sales Taxes to various merchants and providers of services operating in Columbiana County @ a rate of 7%.

The renewal of the 1% proposed by the County Commissioners at this hearing is equal to \$60.00 of that total.

This 1 % renewal represents \$5.00 per month that Sharon and I are contributing to the support of dozens of services in Columbiana County; such as Children's Services, Senior Citizens, Law Enforcement (Sheriff) and Criminal Justice. Renewal represents \$8 Million revenue for the county and without it would reduce the General Budget by 44%.

We likewise are consumers in adjacent counties and have paid a total of \$675.00 State Sales Taxes in those counties. This amounts to a \$100 annual contribution of support for similar services in other counties. (Rates of 6.5 to 6.75%)

The REAL solution is not to fight for removal of this small sales tax, but to work for larger tax reductions on small businesses and corporations. This would increase JOBS, expand the economy and increase the revenues in OHIO.

Change is needed at the State and Federal levels.

Commissioner Hoppel: "Keep in mind and I don't think a lot of people realized it we have a 7% sales tax in this county and at the present time the State gets 5 ½%. We get 1 ½ % of it. So the sales tax you are paying we get a small portion of that we don't get the whole 7%. We are hoping that in the past, it added up to 8 million although it is dipping a little below that recently because of the tough times and we understand that.

Anita Fraser from Salineville: "He said it all. I am in total support of the renewal because it will only better our community.

Jack Marshall from Columbiana: I am in support of the 1% sales tax renewal. I just hope the Commissioners can get the message out there that it is a renewal and not an additional tax that way it won't be a misconception to the public when they go to vote for it that its not an increase it's a status queue, therefore we can keep our law enforcement and help out the mentally retarded Robert Bycroft. You need to get that out to the press.

Commissioner Traina: Thank you, we are working on the language and we hope to make that correction so that it is very clear what the public is voting on.

Sharon Jennings: I just wanted to say that today there are 6 members here from the Tri-County Tea Party. We are very active in supporting what we believe in, conservative legislation and we want everyone here at the county to know that the Tri-County Tea Party is in support of this levy. We have read other comments opposing this and we do not approve of that, we approve of our support and we will continue to support the county.

Larry Bowersock from Salem: I am here to support the county sales tax. I realize if it doesn't pass that we will lose services from the sheriff's department and with the drug situation in the county, as it is all over the state, we need these services to keep our citizens well protected. Also there are matching funds that need to be matched for grants, so to keep the courthouse running, I support the tax.

Joe Csonka Center Township Trustee: I think I can speak for the other two trustees because we have talked about it. This is the fairest tax there is I think people that are knowledgeable and really know that the sales tax is the fairest tax we have. If we don't get this money and you do have to lay people off then you are taking money out of this already bad economy. Every time you give a paycheck to somebody, they are out there buying products. It all just goes in a circle. I hope you get this message through and like this gentlemen over here said, you need to clarify that it is just a renewal because a lot of people just don't understand that.

Joe Petty from Lisbon: I am for definitely in support of the county sales tax 1 % and always have been. Part of the reason it is very well needed is they give up the 2 mills inside mill age for the sales tax if this sales tax goes down and they start playing games with it, there are certain functions that is mandated and have to be done, the county has to borrow money so then when they do get the sales tax back on they have to payoff the debt that they did borrow plus interest so you are just kicking yourself in the mouth really you are not getting ahead nowhere. The county sales tax, lets go to the Sheriff's department, the sheriff's department in this county does one fine job with the personnel that he has. For a county of this size they are definitely under manned and always have been. He does the best he can with what he has. I would like to personally see more deputies. I know his primary function, according to the law, is to service the courts. Without the sales tax has to lay off, that might be all he is doing. This sales tax pays for everything. The Clerk of courts, does the transcripts, everything ties together and it all costs big money. I would much rather have this 1% sales tax and the ½ sales tax than to have property tax because it is more fairer. Sure, this is a depressed county we are losing jobs everyday. I hope we finally get it over with. I would like to see it put on permanently myself so we are not back here every few years. We are not going anywhere without it and we won't have services without it. Peoples got to realize that. I hope everyone sits back and thinks of this and don't think it funny playing a game and votes for it and have it done with so we can go forward with it. We have had mismanagement of money, that was before. Watch these people and see how they are spending the money come down here, attend a meeting see what they are doing here. If you don't feel that they are doing their job, vote them out. That's simple right now I feel comfortable with the way things are going. I feel very comfortable with it. This is some of the best County Commissioners that we have had in many years sitting right here on this board.

Commissioner Hoppel: Just to explain to you a little bit, things that you may not understand, every county in the state is a product of the state and we are regulated on what we have to do and probably 90% of the things we have to do are regulated through the Ohio Revised Code so we don't get to select what we do all the time because it is mandated by the state because we are a product of the state.

Patty Colian from Salem: I'm in support of the tax. If everyone would look at the back of the flyer that was put out, these are all the offices that get funded by the tax and I feel that they are all very important and I would like to state that I think the three Commissioners that sit at this table are very good Stewards of our money.

Clark Birch from East Liverpool: The way the sales tax was put on the ballot the last time, I stood there and looked at it for awhile. I went in there to vote for a renewal and it looked to me like it was going to be additional. I only support if I have a chance every 5 years, I have a choice to vote on it. What I am after is the value of the sales tax. Value is not making 80 thousand dollars a year and supervising 15 people. We need the Sheriff and I see the value there. I am a little concerned about the 9 million you're spending for the new building. I am looking for value. The sales tax is the best tax avenue for everyone. I am not against the sales tax, I will vote for renewal and I will vote for renewal every time. But what I want to see is value, but if a person is making 80 thousand dollar they should be supervising more than 15 people. It is value and the building you are talking about, I understand we need the building but 9 million dollars, that's just insane, I support it, I'm not against it as long as it says renewal, that is my biggest concern.

Commissioner Hoppel: Let me clarify a couple things here. The Health Department you spoke of the person who was running the health department. He was running that on tax money he was not running that on Columbiana County General Fund, they got no general fund money. For the building we are trying to build we are going to put DJFS, Election Board, MCTA, the one stop and the Veterans in that building. It is going to be 75,000 square feet, 3 floors a full basement. We are not projecting to build that with any general fund money out of the county.

Commissioner Traina: For 3 years we have been applying for appropriations to Senator Brown, Congressman Wilson, The State and Federal Government. We are looking for grant appropriation line items, which would be no money so we would have to have no debt. We are looking very diligently looking for grant monies to pay for that building. Currently the Board of Elections and the veterans that would be the only rent coming out of the general fund. MCTA and DJFS would pay their own line item for rent. Currently we will not take any general fund money to build that building. We are looking to secure grant funding only. We have been diligent, we don't seem to have anyone listening to us right now but we have been diligent in looking for appropriations. These are some of the educational things that we need to get out to the public. I just wanted you to know how passionate we have been about moving forward to get appropriations from the federal and state government.

Commissioner Hoppel: I don't know if you have ever spent any time in the DJFS Building. If you took a walk through the building it is totally out dated. I am in my 14th year here and I have been working to try to build that building 12 of the 14 years. If it has to be build with general fund money, it won't be build. If we can't get grant money then we aren't able to take that money out of the general fund to build it. We don't have that luxury.

Eric Matthews from Salem: I have a doctrine in Political behavior, I am listening to these comments, and there great and I appreciated them. I think we all need to understand that it is not just the job of the County Commissioners to sell this sales tax issue; it's not the newspapers job to put an article in the paper. You guys came out to support this effort, if I can ask you to do something, we need to educate people. The truth of the matter is we can get exciting about it but we need to do something about it.

Commissioner Hoppel: Eric brought \$28,000.00 of grants to the Solid waste district to clean up the county. Bert Dawson brought in \$516,000.00 in grant money for the Glenmoor sewer project. When we get money it has specific use. It can only be used for that use. It can't be used in the General Fund.

Commissioner Bing: The Commissioners are willing to come to meetings or have our own tea party. We are passionate about this county and your needs need to be met first.

Julie Herron from Salem: Ohio State University Extension is responsible for 4-H program. There is money put into the program by State and Federal Money but we lose those dollars if the county doesn't have money to put into it. You need to consider some of these things. We need to do everything to educate people. In my program the youth are our future. If we don't deal with our youth, they could end up in the court system with the Sheriff.

Commissioner Hoppel: Last year the 4-H group worked with 2,000.00 youth in this county using 200 volunteers. I think that is value added for the amount of money that we try to give them each year. Judge Ashley Pike made the statement one time when he was in the Juvenile, that he has never had a 4-H youth member ever come to his bench for something that they did wrong.

Greg Shive Center Township Trustee: A little bit for 4-H, our trustees, Our clerk takes \$15.00 each pay and we put it into a hog fund and at fair time we buy a hog from 4-H for Center Township. We have sent letters to other Townships and challenged them to do the same. Some of the richer townships could afford a cow or something but to this day we are the only one to participate in the program.

Anita Fraser: As president of the Tri County Tea Party I will guarantee you a platform so that you can go up there and let the people know that it is not going to be an increase. Educate them to clarify any misunderstanding that they have.

Sharon Jennings: Are different departments promoting this levy? The personal stories are the ones that reach the heart. I'm sure each of the department have stories that would affect the heart.

Julie Herron: In the day and age, which we live, is the newspaper the best means to get word out to people?

Commissioner Hoppel: We will go anywhere to speak. We went many places last year. If you have any organization that you would like us to speak at, we will be there.

Commissioner Traina: We have called many civic organizations, the fire departments. We are on their agendas over the next 2 or 3 months, but I want to say today that we personally appreciate your passion and your personal stories and your personal requests. You are the people that we need to get the message to. There are 3 of us and we are trying to get that message out there. They are services that are provided for you, we know that it is about you, it is not about us, it is about the residence of Columbiana County. This was very refreshing for us today and we certainly appreciate your comments. We are available 27/7, we are here if you have any questions or concerns. We are reaching out extending our hand. We have personally put in our own money because that is how much we believe in Columbiana County. I want to touch on the volunteers that we have in the county. I think the value is one of the most important words used today. Across the county, the amount of volunteers that this county has is astronomical. I travel to the state very often and listen to the other county commissioners talk about their department heads and other elected officials. I want you to know that we are very unique here in Columbiana County. We have great relationships with the Sheriff, every elected official here in the county and department heads across the county. We have open lines of communication and work diligently together and my favorite word we cooperate and collaborate.

Commissioner Hoppel: One comparison if you would research, take the number of people that we have in this county and take our general fund budget, you would find out that we are, being efficient, in the bottom 5 of 88 counties of expenditures made per citizen.

Commissioner Traina: When the census information comes, please fill it out.

Joe Csonka: On what Jim just said, I did a study 2 years ago, comparing 5 counties with the same population, the same income and the same budget, because I'm a county working and believe me the county workers in this county are paid a lot less than the 4 counties I compared it with. We are down by several dollars an hour. I think people in the county need to know that too.

Gregg Shive: Tim Brown came to our meeting and they are looking for 20 census workers for center township \$12.50 an hour and 55 cents a mile. They are also looking for workers in East Palestine and East Liverpool.

Commissioner Traina: We are working closely with the Census Bureau. It's essential that we count every resident that lives here. It is essential for the future economic development of the county as far as state and federal funding.

Julie Herron: I know that if we are trying to reach young people, face book would be the way to go. I would suggest to you that we find some kind of mechanism that we can designate as a sales tax sight so the people could go there and make a comment and find answers

Commissioner Traina closed the Public Hearing.

The following were in attendance at the Public Hearing:

PUBLIC HEARING
1% SALES TAX

DATE: 2-3-2010
TIME: 10:00 A.M.

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RE: ADJOURN

Motion by Mr. Bing, seconded by Mr. Hoppel to adjourn the regular meeting of Wednesday February 3, 2010 and resume the next meeting on Wednesday February 10, 2010 at 9:00 A.M. in the Board of Commissioners Meeting Room.

VOTE RESULTED:
AYES: BING, TRAINA, HOPPEL
NAYES: NONE
MOTION CARRIED