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**MINUTES: Regular Session – March 17, 2009**

The Board met in regular session pursuant to adjournment of the March 12, 2009, meeting.

C. Michael Kilburn - present

David G. Young - present

Pat Arnold South - present

Tina Davis, Clerk – present

- 09-0396      A resolution was adopted to approve Change Order #1 with Sk Construction for the Hendrickson Road and Audubon Drive Intersection Improvement Project. Vote: Unanimous
- 09-0397      A resolution was adopted to approve and authorize the President of the Board to enter into a Classroom Training Agreement on behalf of the Warren County One-Stop Business and Employment Center. Vote: Unanimous
- 09-0398      A resolution was adopted to approve and enter into various Lease Agreements on behalf of the Warren County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities. Vote: Unanimous
- 09-0399      A resolution was adopted to Waive Fees associated with the construction of a Salt Bin for the Union Township Trustees. Vote: Unanimous
- 09-0400      A resolution was adopted to Waive Fees associated with the Salvation Army's Camp Swoneky in Washington Township. Vote: Unanimous
- 09-0401      A resolution was adopted to enter into a Water Service Agreement with the Village of Waynesville. Vote: Unanimous

- 09-0402 A resolution was adopted to approve various Refunds. Vote: Unanimous
- 09-0403 A resolution was adopted to approve a Streets and Appurtenances Bond Release for Donald Wright, for completion of improvements in Liberty Acres Subdivision, situated in Turtlecreek Township. Vote: Unanimous
- 09-0404 A resolution was adopted to approve Abby Lane and Jamie Court in Liberty Acres for public maintenance by Turtlecreek Township. Vote: Unanimous
- 09-0405 A resolution was adopted to approve a Street and Appurtenances Bond Release for Donald C. Wright, for completion of improvements to Liberty Heights, in Turtlecreek Township. Vote: Unanimous
- 09-0406 A resolution was adopted to approve Katie Drive, Laurie Court and Jacob Lane in Liberty Heights for Public Maintenance by Turtlecreek Township. Vote: Unanimous
- 09-0407 A resolution was adopted to approve Appropriation Adjustments within Children Services Fund #273 and Engineer's Office Fund #202. Vote: Unanimous
- 09-0408 A resolution was adopted to authorize Payment of Bills. Vote: Unanimous

#### DISCUSSIONS

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On motion, upon unanimous call of the roll, the Board entered into executive session at 9:13 a.m. to discuss acquisition of property pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G)(2) and exited at 10:12 a.m.

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On motion, upon unanimous call of the roll, the Board accepted and approved the consent agenda.

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Jerry Haddix, Grants Coordinator, was present to discuss the funding of activities through federal stimulus funds relative to Warren County Transit.

Mr. Haddix stated that the acquisition of computer hardware/software was placed on the "wish list" for federal funding as well as \$115,000 for the purchase of three new vehicles. He stated that the three vehicles were not on the replacement schedule for this year but were scheduled to be replaced in the next few years.

Commissioner South stated she is opposed to the purchase of hardware/software that requires a future obligated cost of \$2400 per month.

Commissioner Kilburn stated that the stimulus money bothers him and he feels it is a bad plan to spend money we do not have.

Commissioner Young stated his agreement with both Commissioner South and Kilburn. He stated his feeling of stimulus funding for infrastructure but not for computer equipment and vehicles.

Upon further discussion, on motion, upon unanimous call of the roll, the Board stated their decision to deny the submittal of an application for stimulus funding relative to Warren County Transit.

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Doris Bishop, Director of Human Services, was present along with staff members to discuss policy changes received from the State of Ohio relative to the issuance of food stamps.

Commissioner Kilburn gave background information relative to his understanding of how public assistance is distributed relative to qualifications.

Mrs. Bishop stated that in July 2008, the Federal regulations changed and gave the individual states the ability to create rules relative to the distribution of food stamps. She then stated that in October 2008, the State of Ohio determined that assets would no longer be considered in determining eligibility for food stamps which has enabled a family of three who has a \$311,000 home with no mortgage, and two paid for vehicles, one being a 2006 Mercedes Benz, to qualify for food stamps.

Commissioner Kilburn stated his desire for Warren County to write our own rules relative to the qualifications for assistance.

Upon discussion, the Board directed the County Administrator to write a letter to the Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services stating Warren County's desire to utilize the rules in effect prior to October 2008 for food stamp eligibility.

Mike Yetter, Zoning Supervisor, was present along with Bruce McGary, Chief Assistant Prosecutor, relative to the desire to change the application forms currently being utilized for Zoning Board of Appeals cases.

There was discussion relative to the a concern of the Chief Assistant Prosecutor relative to the staff dispensing legal advise when a citizen asks for assistance.

Mr. McGary stated that, at times, the staff crosses the line of giving legal advice. He then stated that the new application proposed will provide more details and set forth four factors that must be met in order to be approved. He stated that staff would no longer assist the public with the applications.

Commissioner Kilburn stated his desire for the Zoning Department to remain a user friendly atmosphere.

Upon further discussion, Commissioner South stated her desire for the staff to be shown the difference between helping and giving legal advice.

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On motion, upon unanimous call of the roll, the Board entered into executive session at 11:25 a.m. to discuss personnel matters within the Common Pleas Court and the Communications Center pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G)(1) and exited at 12:36 a.m.

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Upon motion the meeting was adjourned.

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C. Michael Kilburn, President

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David G. Young

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Pat Arnold South

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I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Board of County Commissioners held on March 17, 2009, in compliance with Section 121.22 O.R.C.

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Tina Davis, Clerk  
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Warren County, Ohio