

## Portage County Board of Commissioners

Regular Meeting

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449 South Meridian Street Ravenna, OH 44266 http://www.co.portage.oh.us

> Amy Hutchinson, Clerk 330-297-3600

Tuesday, August 28, 2018

9:31 AM

Commissioners' Board Room

The Commissioners' meeting minutes are summarized; there is an audio recording available, Please contact the Commissioners' Office for specific details.

The Portage County Board of Commissioners' meeting came to order with the following members present:

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Vicki A. Kline	President	Present
Sabrina Christian-Bennett	Vice President	Absent
Mike Kerrigan	Board Member	Present

Also attending throughout the day Department of Budget and Finance Director Todd Bragg and Internal Services Director JoAnn Townend.

## Discussion:

1. Purchase and Sales Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and Akron Barberton Cluster Railway Company.

Director Townend reported the County Engineer indicated when the title was turned over it was considered deficient, but was still processed and filed. The portion of the railroad Mr. Harner wanted cost the County \$500.00 for the survey and it could be \$15,000-\$20,000 to do the whole rail. Attorney Meduri has indicated the cost could be shared. Director Townend suggests the Board wait until she can ascertains whether a correct title can be obtained, what the timeframe would be and if the costs could be shared with the Akron Barberton Cluster Railway Company.

2. August 28, 2018 e-mail from Sheriff's Office, regarding budget projections for the remainder of 2018: Commissioner Kerrigan asked if Director Bragg had a chance to review the numbers presented by the Sheriff's Office and Director Bragg indicated he met with the Sheriff's Office yesterday and progress is being made. This week should be the first week of layoffs within the department. Director Bragg pointed out the Board's frustration with the level of service and mentioned in 2015, there were detectives working, Courthouse security, etc. and the Board added \$700,000 in terms of \$400,000 for road patrol and Corrections Officers, and now \$150,000 has been cut, yet there's less services than in 2015. From January-March, the Sheriff's Office payroll was averaging about \$450,000-\$455,000 a payroll, and they need to average around \$426,000 to stay on budget and their last payroll was \$412,000 but retro pay has not been included.

Commissioner Kerrigan has talked to the Sheriff and he's agreed to work with the Auditor of State on a performance audit for the staffing of the jail. The performance auditor will be

done from current inmate numbers to maximum inmate numbers to find out staffing needs per inmate count for budgeting purposes for staffing.

Motion To: Adjourn the Official Meeting of Tuesday August 28, 2018 at 9:45 AM

**RESULT:** 

**ADOPTED** 

MOVED:

Mike Kerrigan

SECONDED: Vicki A. Kline

AYES:

Mike Kerrigan, Vicki A. Kline

ABSENT:

Sabrina Christian-Bennett

We do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the Portage County Board of Commissioners' meeting.

Vicki A. Kline, President

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Sabrina Christian-Bennett, Vice President

Mike Kerrigan, Board Member