BUDGET COMMISSION

The Geauga County Budget Commission met in regular session on Monday, December 6, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. in the Auditor's Conference Room at 215 Main Street, Chardon, Ohio. Present: Geauga County Auditor Charles E. Walder, Geauga County Prosecutor James Flaiz, and Geauga County Treasurer C. P. Hitchcock Also Present: Chief Deputy Auditor Ron Leyde, Deputy Auditor Tammy Most, and Deputy Auditor Kristen Sinatra

Meeting was advertised: Regular Business

WebEx was offered for virtual attendance.

Prior Minutes

Motion by Charles E Walder, seconded James Flaiz to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2021 - Regular meeting.

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried

2021 Amendments

Hambden Township Amendment #5

Motion by James Flaiz, seconded by C. P. Hitchcock, to amend the Hambden Township Official Certificate of Estimated Resources to reflect the following changes to revenue previously certified:

Special Revenue Funds

Increase (new) 2902 Ohio EPA Grant fund other source revenue 4,000.00 from 0.00 to 4,000.00

New Special Revenue Fund Total	\$ 2,362,94	<u> 8.90</u>
New 2021 Certificate Total	\$ 3,362,124	4.39

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried

Geauga County – Amendment #20

Motion by C. P. Hitchcock, seconded Charles E Walder to amend the Geauga County Official Certificate of Estimated Resources to reflect the following changes to revenue previously certified:

Special Revenue Funds

Increase #2067 Help America Vote other source revenue 675.23 from 0.00 to 675.23

Enterprise Funds

Increase #5002 Water Resources - Sewer other source revenue 196,200.00 from 8,017,262.10 to 8,213,462.10

Decrease #5003 Water Resources- Water District other source revenue (31,945.00) from 1,274,653.90 to 1,242,708.90

Net Adjustment: \$164,255.00

New Special Revenue Funds Total:	\$116,068,519.05
New Enterprise Fund Total:	\$ 22,736,431.37

New 2021 Certificate Total:

\$233,000,676.01

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried.

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General Discussion:

Regarding Aquilla Village's separation from Claridon Township. The marked up DTE27 is set to be sent back to the state tomorrow. Aquilla has yet to submit their Amended Rate Resolution (form GCA-003A) or the ordinance to suppress collection of their recently approved 5.3Mill Fire levy. After some discussion,

James Flaiz, made a motion, seconded by Charles Walder to send a letter from the Budget Commission informing them that the rates will be sent to the State Department of Taxation whether the ordinance is received or not. If the ordinance is not received, informing the Village that the tax rates for calendar year 2022 will include the additional 5.3Mills for the Fire levy which was approved in November's election.

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried.

Question regarding contact info for the Park District in order to send annual communications such as the advance of taxes letter. Budget staff was advised to mail the letter and direct it to John Oros and ask him to provide an electronic contact for such notices.

Question regarding moving the Health District budget hearing from earlier in the year to our regularly scheduled time in August. Ron thought there was something in the ORC that required the budget hearing to occur by May of each year.

School Budget hearings are scheduled for 2/22/22 at 10am in the Appraisal Conference Room. Levied Department hearings are scheduled for 4/4/22 at 10am in the Appraisal Conference Room. Annual Budget Hearings are scheduled for 8/15 from 9am to 3pm and 8/16/22 from 9am to 12pm in the Appraisal Conference Room. With the follow up scheduled for 8/29/22.

TIF training will be scheduled prior to the TIRC meeting in March if possible. Budget staff will coordinate and send out invites.

Public Comment:

Question of whether we have a date scheduled to talk with Aquilla Village again.

The letter from the Budget Commission (referenced above) will be sent to the fiscal officer for Aquilla Village, via email.

Being no further business to conduct, C.P. Hitchcock moved to adjourn the December 6, 2021 regular meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles E. Walder, Auditor Secretary/Budget Commission

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