

National Business Furniture, LLC	8 task chairs/Auditor's office	001-104-5900	\$	270.00
Office Depot	Chairmat/Transportation	172-273-5300	\$	74.24
Ohio Community Media	FONSI notice/Knothole land acq.	087-417-5410	\$	297.50
Ohio Community Media	Invitation to bid/sewer project	231-358-5420	\$	196.00
Ohio Community Media	Ad/drawing of jurors - 9/11 term	001-114-5700	\$	26.25
O'Reilly's Auto Parts	Parts/cruisers, tie rods, ball joint, etc	001-125-5400	\$	112.62
Peterson Radio, Inc.	Radio repair & parts/9-1-1 & squads	010-413-5400	\$	931.50
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Peterson Radio, Inc.	Seaman Link Paging	010-413-5400	\$	150.00
Peterson Radio, Inc.	Seaman Link Paging	010-413-5350	\$	4,070.00
Quill	Labels, batteries, jackets/Prosecutor	001-108-5300	\$	221.83
Rader, Jerry	Community Service supervisor	185-168-5420	\$	288.00
Schwaab, Inc.	File stamp/County Court	001-120-5300	\$	81.99
Shupert Tire Service	Tire repairs/Sheriff	001-125-5400	\$	26.00
Staples	External hard drive, brochure folders, etc	087-417-5410	\$	228.84
Tanner & Stone	Copies-plumbing/electrical plans	001-123-5300	\$	30.00
The Education Coalition	Training 9-11/Hall, Vaughn, Caldwell	001-115-5500	\$	285.00
Thomson West	Online research/Law Library	070-407-5305	\$	1,084.60
Thomson West	Legal research/Law Library	070-407-5305	\$	385.20
Time Warner Cable	Internet/Court Computerization 8/24-9/23	025-164-5420	\$	143.29
Time Warner Cable	Internet & phone service/ED - Aug.	001-101-5450	\$	170.84
Time Warner Cable	Internet & phone service/Flood-Aug	001-130-5420	\$	30.00
Time Warner Cable	Internet service/Law Library	070-407-5420	\$	114.67
Toshiba Financial Services	Copier lease/Treasurer 8/18-9/18	001-107-5420	\$	87.88
Treasurer of State of Ohio	State audit expenses/7/18-8/13/11	001-111-5780	\$	4,349.90
Ty R. Pell & Associates ***	Professional serv/Jaybird Road	102-411-5420	\$	2,500.00
URS Corporation	Professional serv/Barnes Sewer	231-358-5420	\$	3,826.03
Verizon Wireless	Cell phone/SVAA 7/20-8/19	195-174-5420	\$	91.74
Verizon Wireless	Cell phone/Prosecutor 7/24-8/23	001-108-5420	\$	46.70
Village of Peebles Water Dept.	Water/sewer-Peebles annex 7/15-8/15	001-123-5450	\$	50.00
Walmart	Ink cartridge/Auditor	001-104-5300	\$	34.97
Walmart	Trimmer line, lock, hasp, Lysol, etc.	001-123-5300	\$	83.16
Walmart	Film development/Dog kennel	040-147-5300	\$	3.00
Walmart Community	Jury supplies	001-114-5300	\$	94.72
West Union Water & Sewer Dept.	Water/sewer-courthouse, jail, annex/Aug	001-123-5450	\$	942.88
Woolpert	Professional serv/Jaybird Road	102-411-5420	\$	3,319.00
Xerox	Base charge/copier-August	001-118-5400	\$	96.30
Xerox	Copier maint/Title August 2011	015-169-5400	\$	15.00
Young's IGA	Food/jail 8/26-27/11	001-125-5300	\$	1,083.26
	Total		\$	57,305.07

ENGINEER

American Electric Power	Electric service/office & garage	165-162-5450	\$	498.07
Brown County Rental	Rental 3" trash pump	165-162-5350	\$	165.33
Brown County Rental	Rental/concrete forms	165-163-5340	\$	95.89
Cintas	Clean rug, uniform & towel service	165-162-5420	\$	275.73
Dexter Company	Skid shoes/bush hogs	165-162-5340	\$	1,448.26
Frontier	Phone service/Tax Map	001-139-5450	\$	164.04
Hanson Aggregates	8.00 yds concrete/Churn Creek	165-163-5340	\$	794.00
Hanson Aggregates	10.5 yds concrete/Churn Creek	165-163-5340	\$	981.00
Hanson Aggregates	6 yds concrete/Churn Creek	165-163-5340	\$	600.00
Huntley Auto Supply	Cable, battery, prestolite, fuel	165-162-5340	\$	1,558.72
James B. Harsha Co.	Steel	165-162-5340	\$	36.00
Miami Valley International	Transmission fluid stick	165-162-5340	\$	126.47
Monroe Systems, Inc.	Annual maint billing	165-162-5420	\$	45.00
Shupert Tire Service	6 tires 11F22/5 & T21585R16	165-162-5340	\$	1,387.72
Southeastern Equipment Co.	Window case-backhoe #87	165-162-5340	\$	413.34
Town & Country West Union	Cups & keys	165-162-5340	\$	10.97
TowPath	5 yds concrete/Churn Creek	165-163-5340	\$	455.00
Valley Materials	34.91 tons cold mix	165-162-5340	\$	2,967.35
West Union Water & Sewer	Water/sewer-Engineer's office	165-162-5450	\$	47.00

**JFS/FCFC ADAMS COUNTY CHILDRENS SERVICES RESPITE CARE AGREEMENT APPROVED
RESOLUTION NO. 2011-404**

It was moved by Roger Rhonemus and seconded by Justin Cooper to approve the JFS/FCFC agreement with Adams County Children’s Services for respite care upon the recommendation of JFS Director Sue Fulton.

See Contract Journal 56, Page 25

There was no further discussion and upon the call of the roll the vote resulted as follows:

VOTE: Baldridge, yea Cooper, yea Rhonemus, yea

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An animal claim was submitted by Ray and Rick Hesler for 5 lambs – 1 killed, 4 injured by a neighbor’s dog. The dog in question had a current dog license. The owners of the dog have been informed of the incident and will be financially responsible.
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**NATIONAL CHILDHOOD OBESITY MONTH PROCLAMATION APPROVED:
RESOLUTION NO. 2011-405**

It was moved by Brian Baldridge and seconded by Roger Rhonemus to proclaim September as Childhood Obesity Month in Adams County. Those present for the proclamation were as follows: Krys Hess, Child Nutrition Supervisor, Adams County Ohio Valley Schools, Charlie Bess, Adams County Ohio Valley School Board member, Student Services Coordinator, Employee Relations, Adams County Regional Medical Center, and Dr. Don Nofziger Pediatrician, Adams County Regional Medical Center.

Dr. Nofziger and Charlie Bess will be meeting with various organizations to discuss the Childhood Obesity problem in Adams County. They will be working with the Wellness Coalition and speaking with parents and public officials to obtain support to assist with correcting the problem. They are looking forward to see what we can do together to help the young to have good health habits and promote a healthy lifestyle.

PROCLAMATION
National Childhood Obesity Month
September 2011
Office of the Adams County Commissioners

Childhood obesity has become a serious problem in America. An increasing number of children and teenagers are obese and/or overweight, which can cause serious illnesses such as diabetes, heart disease, stroke, high blood pressure, cancer, asthma, depression and low self-esteem just to name a few. The lack of the Center for Disease Control’s recommended 60 minutes of intense exercise per day has been a leading cause of obesity in children and teens accompanied by the lack of eating healthy foods such as fruits, vegetables and grains. Additionally, in rural and low income communities, families do not always have access to adequate areas for them to get physical activity.

For the above reasons, the Adams County Commissioners recognize childhood obesity to be a serious public health issue.

Now, therefore, we, the Commissioners of the County of Adams, Ohio, do hereby proclaim September National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month in Adams County, Ohio, and urge all of our citizens to recognize and participate in its observance.

Done at the executive office this 7th day of September, 2011.

/s/ Brian Baldridge /s/ Justin Cooper /s/ Roger A. Rhonemus
There was no further discussion and upon the call of the roll the vote resulted as follows:

VOTE: Baldridge, yea Cooper, yea Rhonemus, yea
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**WELLNESS POLICY APPROVED:
RESOLUTION NO. 2011-407**

It was moved by Brian Baldrige and seconded by Justin Cooper to approve the Wellness Policy for implementation into the Adams County Personnel Policy in order for the county to take advantage of the Gold Star Wellness Program.

WELLNESS POLICY

WHEREAS, the Board of Adams County Commissioners recognizes that employee health is related to lifestyle decisions and many illnesses and injuries can be prevented by positive individual health practices, and

WHEREAS, the Board further recognizes that improvements to employee health, achievable through active workplace health promotion programs and activities, can result in better morale, reduced absenteeism, and enhanced productivity and performance, and

WHEREAS, the Board approves implementation of an Adams County Employee Wellness Program aimed at preventing illnesses and injuries, promoting better morale, reducing absenteeism, and enhancing productivity and performance among the county employees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Adams County Commissioners approve the Adams County Wellness policy.

Effective this 7th day of September, 2011.

/s/ Brian Baldrige

/s/ Justin Cooper

/s/ Roger A. Rhonemus

There was no further discussion and upon the call of the roll the vote resulted as follows:

VOTE: Baldrige, yea

Cooper, yea

Rhonemus, yea

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**ADAMS COUNTY WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENTS PHASE 2 OHIO EPA WPCLF
CERTIFICATE OF PERFORMANCE APPROVED:
RESOLUTION NO. 2011-408**

It was moved by Justin Cooper and seconded by Roger Rhonemus to approve the Adams County Wastewater Improvements Phase 2 Ohio EPA WPCLF certificate of performance.

See Contract Journal 56, Page 26

There was no further discussion and upon the call of the roll the vote resulted as follows:

VOTE: Baldrige, yea

Cooper, yea

Rhonemus, yea

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W.B. Green representative Linda Jackson phoned to discuss the Employee Health Fair scheduled for December 8th. Ms. Jackson will be contacting the Adams County Health Department to discuss possible services that can be provided at no cost.

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Assistant Prosecutor Dana Whalen met with the board to discuss legal issues.

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ACDD Superintendent Scott Amen and Board President Linda Stepp along with Assistant Prosecutor Dana Whalen and Auditor David Gifford met with the board to discuss the ACDD levy renewal, funding, investments, correspondence between Mr. Scott and Commissioners Cooper, and to clarify any misunderstandings. The session was tape recorded. The board expressed appreciation for everyone's attendance. The meeting was prompted because of the correspondence between Mr. Scott and Mr. Cooper in regards to the information in the newspaper pertaining to Mr. Cooper's comments of not being able to support the levy and the rebuttal of Ms. Lafferty in the Letter to the Editor. There are a couple of points that need to get out in the open due to misunderstanding and to get everyone on the same page.

- Minutes of the May 23, 2011 meeting – notes were taken by Linda Mendenhall and the data was placed in the actual minutes by Diane Ward. Proof of the notes that were taken by Linda Mendenhall was shown to Ms. Stepp and Mr. Amen. Mr. Cooper did not provide the information for the minutes as Mr. Amen had claimed in the email sent to Mr. Cooper.

- Newspaper release – the board collectively decides what is placed in the paper. A condensed summary was submitted to the newspapers that included the complete portion of the ACDD session minutes instead of the condensed version. Each week the board reviews the summary of the minutes provided by Diane Ward to be emailed to the news media. The board tries to make it understandable to the public. A condensed summary is sent out each week that is approved by the board. Mr. Amen was concerned that there were comments that he and Ms. Parks had made at the meeting that were not included in the summary and wanted to know who decides what goes in the summary. The board informed Mr. Amen that they review the summary and decide what is placed in the paper. What was emailed to the paper was the original minute data instead of just the summary. Sometimes the board has an individual point that they want to put in the news release. The board wants to put out enough information so it is simple enough to understand. The board collectively spent time tweaking this particular summary and due to the new computer issue, which saves versions as opposed to the latest file, the wrong version was emailed to the papers. Ms. Stepp and Mr. Amen were then informed that now the complete minutes are placed on the website, which commenced in July. The board still processes a summary for the newspapers. Mr. Amen thought that because it was sent out in that format that they felt that it needed to be responded to because they thought the information was not clear which caused a lot of questions that really couldn't be explained just by putting the minutes out there and they thought that some of the items in the newspaper required some kind of a response to clarify some of the issues so that was the reason for the response (Ms. Lafferty's Letter to the Editor) in the newspaper.
- Levy renewal resolution vote - Mr. Cooper then addressed the other issue regarding the particular minutes in which he personally made comments stating why he could not support placing the renewal on the ballot; specifically saying this is why he could not approve and could not vote yes and explained these are my reasons for that vote. He was not preaching one way or the other; it was just why he could not. If you are on this board, or any other board, and you vote the opposite direction you have to clarify why you did that particular vote for two reasons. One of which is so that other people in the future can look back and see why you voted a particular way, what rationale was that, and history is very important to understand. Secondly, in the future, if someone looks back on levy votes and see who did what then they can understand why that person voted that way. It was very chronological with supporting backup and that was the intention behind that point.
- Ms. Lafferty's Letter to the Editor - it is what it is. It did not call Mr. Cooper out by name, but it did call Mr. Cooper out by referring to the minutes. That is what started the line of questioning in the emails to Mr. Amen.
- The Board of Commissioners attending an ACDD Board meeting – the other comment Mr. Amen made in the email stated Mr. Cooper should have attended one of the ACDD Board meetings if he was planning to vote against the levy. Mr. Amen stated that was his personal opinion. Mr. Baldrige attended the ACDD Board meeting, questions took place, then he came back to the office and informed both Mr. Rhonemus and Mr. Cooper, not a specific direction, just a general here is what exactly happened, here is what each person said and not really putting a spin on it. That's how the board operates whenever we attend something, we let the other two know here is exactly what was said, how it was said, here you go, your decision. The fact that Mr. Cooper did not go to the meeting does not mean he didn't understand the direction of the board. Before Mr. Baldrige went to the meeting, the board discussed that he was going to go, and Mr. Baldrige understood the position from Mr. Rhonemus and the position from Mr. Cooper. Mr. Baldrige understood that, he went to the meeting with that understanding in mind, asked some questions, had some discussion, came back, and shared information. Just because Mr. Cooper was not there does not mean that information didn't make it back to Mr. Rhonemus and Mr. Cooper. Sometimes it is very difficult to attend everything due to conflicts in timing. Mr. Amen stated they didn't know that the information would be shared and discussed. Mr. Baldrige stated that he tried to bring all that information back and share it with the board. That is how the board operates as well, so there is no misunderstanding that, well they don't really care, only one of them cares, or anything like that, this was something that was definitely shared.
- Levy renewal resolution passage – the resolution passed, Mr. Cooper may not have voted for its passage, but the board passed the resolution, and Mr. Cooper is part of that board and that is the final decision of the board. The board then goes forward with that resolution as a board. Mr. Cooper asked that Ms. Stepp and Mr. Amen share this with fellow board members as well from this perspective. Ms. Stepp assured the board that they would certainly inform them.
- Attorney General emails – Assistant Prosecutor Dana Whalen then discussed the emails received by the Prosecutor's officer pertaining to the informal opinions of the Attorney General pertaining to the investments of ACDD funds. Ms. Whalen reviewed the opinions, and her response to today to the Attorney General's office and Ms. Cartwright was Ms. Whalen is an attorney, she is licensed to practice, and she is qualified to interpret the law, and can give advice. That does not mean her clients have to take her advice. It

doesn't mean Ms. Whalen has to have an Attorney General's opinion to back up her advice. Ms. Whalen will be requesting a specific Attorney General opinion regarding the Board of Developmental Disabilities and the Southern Ohio Council of Government investing on their behalf in the stock market. That issue will be completely cleared away as a formal opinion.

- Opinion request – the ACDD board members did not know that the opinion had been requested; they would have appreciated someone notifying them. The state examiners had questioned the auditor and the commissioners pertaining to the legality of the ACDD funds being invested by the Southern Ohio Council of Government. The prosecutor was then contacted and informed of the request. This is standard procedure to contact legal pertaining to specific requests placed by the state examiners. The state examiners ask legal questions of the board and the board then attempts to get answers through the prosecutor. The state examiners sometimes go straight to the department in question instead of approaching the commissioners.
- ACDD Investments – Mr. Amen informed the board that the funds will be liquidated and returned to the county. The transfer of stocks will take place as soon as possible.

Mr. Amen informed the board that they are committed and very passionate about ACDD. It is very helpful that they understand how things occurred, so it can be passed on, in order for them to move on.

Mr. Gifford then discussed the deregulation and TTP phase out. The deregulation shows a gain over the course of a five year period for ACDD. Mr. Gifford also encouraged Mr. Amen and Ms. Stepp to check out the Auditor's website to see how much the renewal will cost taxpayers. Taxpayers will be able to see the exact dollar amount they will be paying for the renewal levy.

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**OLD JAIL / ADVERTISE FOR SALE BY SEALED BID APPROVED:
RESOLUTION NO. 2011-409**

It was moved by Justin Cooper and seconded by Brian Baldrige to advertise for sealed bids for the sale of the old jail building requiring a minimum bid of \$75,000.00 with a submission of a "Plan of Use" with bids opened on October 11, 2011 at 8:30 a.m. Neighborhood Stabilization secured funding will be utilized to raze the building if no acceptable bids are received.

There was no further discussion and upon the call of the roll the vote resulted as follows:

VOTE: Baldrige, yea Cooper, yea Rhonemus, yea

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MOTION TO ADJOURN

It was moved by Brian Baldrige and seconded by Roger Rhonemus to adjourn at 5:20 p.m.

There was no further discussion and upon the call of the roll the vote resulted as follows:

VOTE: Baldrige, yea Cooper, yea Rhonemus, yea

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Board of Commissioners

Of

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Diane Ward, Clerk

Brian Baldrige, Member