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The Board of County Commissioners, Brown County, Ohio, met in regular session this 19th day of May, 2025 with the following members present: Barry L. Woodruff, Member Gordon Ellis, Member

Tony Applegate, President, was absent.

In attendance: Sarah Beath, County Administrator.

IN THE MATTER OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Motion moved by Mr. Woodruff to approve the minutes of the previous regular meeting and dispense with the oral reading. Second: Mr. Ellis.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Woodruff, yea

Mr. Ellis, vea

IN THE MATTER TO ENTER CONTRACT FOR HOUSING PRISONERS IN COUNTY

Motion moved by Mr. Ellis to enter into contact with the following:

Hamersville Police Department to house prisoners in the Brown County Detention Center at a rate of \$90.00 per prisoner, per day. Contract is valid from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025. See complete contracts on file. Second: Mr. Woodruff.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Woodruff, yea

Mr. Ellis, yea

IN THE MATTER OF SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION - BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Motion moved by Mr. Woodruff to approve the request of Sarah Beath, County Administrator, for a supplemental appropriation of unappropriated funds from 1000 *County General Fund* in the amount of \$2,864.55 into 1000-1000-52133 *Transfer Out.* Second: Mr. Ellis.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Woodruff, yea

Mr. Ellis, yea

IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS - SHERIFF

Motion moved by Mr. Ellis to approve the request of Rita Henize, BCSO, for a transfer of funds from 1000-1000-52133 Transfer Out in the amount of \$2,864.55 into 2208-2000-40547 Sheriff Traffic Grant Transfer In. Second: Mr. Woodruff.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Woodruff, yea

Mr. Ellis, yea

IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAMATION - MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

Motion by Mr. Woodruff to adopt the following proclamation. Second Mr. Ellis.

PROCLAMATION

Mental Health Awareness Month 2025

WHEREAS, mental health is essential to the overall health and well-being of every individual; and

WHEREAS, millions of Americans live with mental health conditions, and many face barriers to treatment, including stigma, lack of awareness, and limited access to care; and

WHEREAS, Mental Health Awareness Month provides an opportunity to break the silence and raise awareness of the importance of mental health, while encouraging individuals to seek help when needed; and

WHEREAS, the theme for Mental Health Awareness Month 2025, "Strength in Connection," highlights the vital role that community, support systems, and meaningful relationships play in mental well-being, and

WHEREAS, through education, advocacy, and the promotion of resources, we can foster an environment where everyone feels supported in their journey toward mental wellness; and

WHEREAS, it is crucial to recognize the diverse needs of all individuals, including adolescents, older adults, veterans, and historically underserved populations, by ensuring equitable access to mental health care and support; and

WHEREAS, every person, organization, and community has a role to play in ending stigma, advancing mental health equity, and creating a culture where mental health is treated with the same priority as physical health;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Brown County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2025 as Mental Health Awareness Month in Brown County.

I call upon all citizens, businesses, schools, and community organizations to join me in this effort to prioritize mental health, promote understanding, and extend compassion to those affected by mental health challenges. Together, we can create a world where mental health is valued, understood, and accessible to all.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of Brown County to be affixed this 19^{th} day of May, 2025.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Woodruff, yea

Mr. Ellis, yea

May 19, 2025

IN THE MATTER TO ADJOURN

Motion moved by Mr. Ellis to adjourn this meeting with no further business before the Board this 19th day of May, 2025. Second: Mr.Woodruff.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Woodruff, yea

Mr. Ellis, yea

5/15/2025

Commissioner, Barry Woodruff, met with a representative from Patriot Engineering.

5/16/2025

Commissioners, Barry Woodruff and Gordon Ellis, attended Law Library Resources Board Meeting.

05/19/2025

Commissioners, Barry Woodruff and Gordon Ellis, met with Kelle Winkle from ACRMC for a proclamation signing for Mental Health Awareness Month.

Approval: May 21, 2025

Tony Applegate, President

Gordon Ellis, Member

Barry Woodruff, Member

Sarah Beath, County Administrator