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SEPTEMBER 26, 2008	CCAO AGRICULTURE & RURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, CCAO OFFICES, COLUMBUS
OCTOBER 24, 2008	CCC/ESAO SOUTHWEST REGIONAL MEETING, SPRINGVIEW GOVERNMENT CENTER, CLARK COUNTY (SPRINGFIELD)

ASSOCIATION NEWS

CCAO HUMAN SERVICES AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE TO MEET SEPTEMBER 5

David Dhume, Madison County Commissioner and CCAO Human Services and Workforce Development Committee Chair, has scheduled a committee meeting on Friday, September 5 at 10:00 a.m. in the CCAO offices, 37 W. Broad Street-Suite 650, in Columbus. The Committee will

discuss the last biennium's platform, hear suggestions about how it should be changed to reflect current issues and positions, and adopt a new platform for the upcoming 2009-2010 biennium. Lunch will be served. Please confirm your attendance by September 1, to Janet Erwin, CCAO Administrative Assistant, at (614) 220-7986 or jerwin@ccao.org. For more information about the committee please contact Beth Tsvetkoff, CCAO Policy Analyst, at (614) 220-7996 or btsvetkoff@ccao.org.

THANKS, ROSS COUNTY – HOSTS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS DAYS 2007

Nearly 150 county commissioners and staff from Ohio State University Extension from across the state attended County Commissioners Days hosted by Ross County Commissioners Jim Caldwell, Doug Corcoran, and Frank Hirsch. Ross County showcased their county with the help of OSU Extension.

"County Commissioners Days was an opportunity to showcase the collaborative effort between county commissioners of Ohio and Ohio State University Extension," said Dave Mangione, Extension educator in agriculture/natural resources and community development and co-county director of OSU Extension in Ross County. It was also an opportunity to showcase the cultural and economic assets of the host county, he said.

Commissioners toured several Ross County locations such as the Hopewell Culture National Historic Park, and the Ross County Heritage Center. Focusing on the economy, visitors toured businesses such as Glatfelter, Kenworth, YSK Corp., and Adena Regional Medical Center, among others.

Educational sessions featured ideas to boost the local economy, partnerships to help employees improve health and fitness, emergency and disaster planning, and a financial education program for youth.

E. Gordon Gee, president of The Ohio State University, made remarks at the closing luncheon. Keith Smith, associate vice president of the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences and director of OSU Extension, also spoke. Larry Long, CCAO Executive Director, and Daniel Troy, Lake County Commissioner and CCAO President, thanked Ross County and OSU Extension for hosting such a worthwhile event!

CCAO NOMINATING COMMITTEE APPOINTED

The CCAO Board of Trustees approved the appointment of a five-member nominating committee at the August 19, meeting of the CCAO

Board of Trustees, which was held in Ross County (Chillicothe).

The Committee, appointed by CCAO President Daniel Troy, will be chaired by Olen Jackson, Morrow County Commissioner. Other members include:

- 1) Joe Moroski, Ashtabula County Commissioner
- 2) David Pepper, Hamilton County Commissioner
- 3) Chris Abbuhl, Tuscarawas County Commissioner
- 4) Tim Brown, Wood County Commissioner

It is the responsibility of the committee to recommend a slate of officers and board members to be elected at the Annual Business Meeting on Tuesday, December 9, 2008, during the CCAO/CEAO Winter Conference. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor. The committee will be nominating candidates for the offices of president, first vice president, second vice president, secretary and treasurer. In addition, seven members will be nominated to serve on the Board of Trustees for two-year terms. The Nominating Committee will also fill any vacancies that may exist where members elected to a two-year term will not be returning to office or where a member forfeits office for non-attendance. The seven members whose terms to the Board expire this year include: David Dhume, (Madison), Ray Feikert (Holmes), Gerald Potter (Hardin), Peter Lawson Jones (Cuyahoga), Nancy McKeen (Erie), Mary Walker (Clermont), and Ron Widener (Miami).

The nine members appointed by President Troy whose one year term to the Board expires at the end of this year include: Mike Crabtree (Scioto), Brian Hill (Muskingum), Ben Konop (Lucas), Edward Kuenzli (Wyandot), Cheryl Noah (Wayne), Margery Paeltz (Brown), Gary Starner (Hocking), Roger Tackett (Clark), and Dan Polivka (Trumbull).

In accordance with the CCAO Bylaws, the six most recent past presidents who still hold the office of county commissioner are entitled to a seat on the Board of Trustees. In 2009 those individuals will include: Bob Corbett (Champaign), Lenny Eliason (Athens), Patricia Geissman (Medina), Olen

Jackson (Morrow), and Daniel Troy (Lake).

The committee must make its recommendations no later than November 3. The report will then be published in CIDS and an individual copy of its report will be sent to each commissioner.

On September 19, CCAO will send to all commissioners at their home addresses an application form to express interest to become an officer or a member of the CCAO Board.

A CCAO Nominating Candidate Questionnaire will also be included. Both forms must be returned no later than November 3 to the committee chair: Olen Jackson, Morrow County Commissioner, 80 North Walnut Street, Suite A, Mt. Gilead, OH 43338. In addition, **mail a copy to CCAO, 37 W. Broad Street, Suite 650, Columbus, Ohio 43215, in an envelope marked: NOMINATING COMMITTEE – ATTENTION: KATHY DILLON**

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Olen Jackson at (419) 947-4085, or call CCAO Executive Director Larry Long at (614) 221-5627.

2008 CCC/ESAO REGIONAL MEETINGS SCHEDULED

Over the past five years, the County Commissioners Clerks and Engineers Secretaries Association of Ohio (CCC/ESAO), CCAO's first and oldest affiliate organization, have held a series of very successful regional meetings around the state. The purpose of these meetings is for CCC/ESAO members to share their knowledge with other clerks and secretaries that are unable to attend conferences and workshops.

These informal meetings are open to all commissioners' clerks, deputies, engineers' secretaries, or administrative assistants to discuss various topics of concern in your county. Please plan to attend one of the final two regional meetings. The meeting topics are tailored to meet the needs of each district. All meetings will start at 10:00 a.m. and end at 2:30 p.m. There is no charge to attend. Lunch will be sponsored by CCAO/CEAO. **The CCAO Board of Trustees encourages all county commissioners to permit**

their clerks and other office support staff to attend one of the following meetings.

SEPTEMBER 26, 2008 – SOUTHEAST REGION – ATHENS COUNTY

LOCATION: The Inn at Hocking College, 15770 State Route 691, Athens County (Nelsonville)

For more information, please contact CCC/ESAO SE District Representative Crystal Digenova, Administrative Assistant, Tuscarawas County Commissioners, at (330) 365-3240 or commissioners@co.tuscarawas.oh.us.

OCTOBER 24, 2008 – SOUTHWEST REGION – CLARK COUNTY

LOCATION: Springview Government Center, 3130 East Main Street, Clark County (Springfield)

For more information, please contact CCC/ESAO SW District Representative Dianna Harris, Administrative Assistant, Montgomery County Engineer's Office, at (937) 225-4904 or harrisd@mcoho.org.

For more information, please contact the 2008 CCC/ESAO President Susan Schmunk, Administrative Assistant, Williams County Engineer's Office, (419) 636-2454 or sschmunk@wmsco.org.

STATE ACTIVITIES

BWC BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO HOLD PUBLIC FORUM ON SELF-INSURANCE PROGRAM

The Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC) Board of Directors will host a public forum on BWC's self-insurance program on Thursday, September 25, 2008 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the William Green Building, 30 West Spring Street - Auditorium, in downtown Columbus.

The September forum will focus on self-insured best practices for safety, transitional work and early intervention programs; improvements to benefits delivery and cost designed to make Ohio's self insured workers' comp program the most efficient -- regionally and nationally; and the examination of the economic viability of the Self-insured Employers Guarantee Fund.

Those wishing to address the Board on these topics are encouraged to register by completing a form available at ohiobwc.com by September 15, 2008. On-site registration will be available the day of the forum. Those who wish to speak may also send your name, title, company/association, mailing address, e-mail address, phone number, and summary of your presentation to PublicForum@bwc.state.oh.us or via fax at (614) 621-9412.

Confirmation e-mails will be sent after a registration form is received. BWC will notify participants of how much time they will have to speak to the Board by September 22. For information about the registration process, contact Tammy Blackburn at (614) 995-1821 or Tamara.B.2@bwc.state.oh.us.

EXAMPLES OF WATER RESOURCES INFRASTRUCTURE COORDINATION & PLANNING NEEDED

The Ohio Water Resources Council (OWRC) is seeking your help to identify good examples of local water resources infrastructure coordination and planning. These examples will be used to help identify key elements of a good water resources infrastructure plan and what state agencies can do to more proactively advocate and support those plans.

The OWRC was established in Ohio law as a forum for collaboration and coordination on water resources policy development and strategic planning. The OWRC membership is comprised of the heads of nine state agencies and an executive assistant to the Governor. Two groups assist the OWRC. The State Agency Coordinating Group consists of staff from the member agencies. Cheryl Subler, CCAO Managing Director, Policy, is a member of an Advisory Group appointed by the OWRC.

The OWRC Ten-Year Vision recognizes the critical role of water resources infrastructure in protecting public health and the environment and supporting a strong economy. Whether it is ensuring access to safe drinking water, treating and disposing of sewage and other waste waters, or managing storm water runoff from our cities and agricultural lands, our public health and economic vitality are

dependant on good water resource infrastructure. For a copy of the complete Ten-Year Vision please go to the OWRC website at <http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/OWRC>.

A specific objective of the OWRC Ten-Year Vision for Infrastructure is to strengthen local coordination and planning. This survey is the first steps in achieving that objective. Other steps include:

- Identifying individuals willing to share what makes their plan a good plan, and what state agencies did or could do to support their efforts (or on the contrary, what state agencies did or do that serve as barriers);
- Conducting a forum with invited participants to discuss and further identify key elements of a good plan and what state agencies can do to proactively advocate and support development and implementation of those plans;
- Finding local cooperators with a desire to help further develop and advance concepts identified in the forum.

The OWRC needs your help in identifying good examples of local water resources infrastructure coordination and planning. For purposes of this effort, local infrastructure planning has been defined as:

- Public and private entities working together to define current and future water resource infrastructure needs and determining how to meet those needs in a cost effective fashion, striving to achieve social, economic, public health and environmental balance and sustainability.
- The area defined for infrastructure planning is variable and determined by the cooperating entities. Ideally it is multi-jurisdictional.
- Infrastructure includes centralized and decentralized water, wastewater, and storm water facilities.
- Infrastructure includes constructed facilities as well as the natural water infrastructure and best management practices.

- Infrastructure planning considers social, economic, public health, water quality, water quantity and other environmental issues.
- Infrastructure planning includes replacement of existing infrastructure as well as new infrastructure.
- Infrastructure planning considers costs, pricing and financing.

If you know of an example that reflects some or all of the attributes described above, please provide a response to: Sara Lynaugh, ODNR Division of Water, 2045 Morse Road Bldg B, Columbus, OH 43229-6693, (614) 644-2765 or sara.lynaugh@odnr.state.oh.us.

Provide your name and contact information as well as basic information about your example. If you have the name of a direct contact for the example planning effort, please also provide that information. You are welcome to provide any other supporting documentation but please limit your response to two pages per example. Additional information will be collected later, if needed. Thank you for your help.

CONFERENCES/SEMINARS

RESTORING PROSPERITY TO OHIO POLICY SUMMIT

Creating new prosperity and opportunity for Ohio is the subject of a summit hosted by the Brookings Institution and the Greater Ohio Policy Center on September 10, 2008 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center, 400 North High Street, in downtown Columbus.

The Summit is part of a multi-year research, policy development, and networking effort to revitalize Ohio's core communities, create new opportunities for the people of Ohio, and reinvigorate the state's economy. Plenary presentations and breakout sessions will engage participants in review, evaluation, and refinement of recommendations and goals for moving Ohio forward in areas such as economy development, transportation investments, workforce development, and neighborhood revitalization.

The Summit is free. Registration is required because space is limited. Please register through the Greater Ohio website at www.greaterohio.org. For more information on the Restoring Prosperity Initiative or to download a copy of the Brookings report, "Restoring Prosperity: The State Role in Revitalizing America's Older Industrial Cities," please visit the Greater Ohio website. Please contact Lavea Brachman, Greater Ohio Co-Director, at (614) 258-1713 or lbrachman@greaterohio.org.

OHIO CONFERENCE ON FREIGHT

The Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments (TMACOG) will host the second annual "Ohio Conference on Freight," on September 15-17, 2008 at the SeaGate Center, 401 Jefferson Avenue, in downtown Toledo. What county officials should attend? Transportation planners, engineers, elected officials, and economic developers.

The **Transportation Summit** will be held on Monday, September 15. Registration fee \$50 - TMACOG members or \$75 - non-members (includes all sessions and dinner); or \$20 - TMACOG members or \$30 - non-members (includes all sessions and reception only). The **Ohio Conference on Freight** will be held on September 15 - 17. Registration fee: \$250 - full registration (includes all events and receptions). For more information go to www.tmacog.org.

WHAT WE KNOW ABOUT THE EMERALD ASH BORER

The Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) has been detected in 10 U.S. states and has quarantined 42 of Ohio's 88 counties. The EAB has killed more than 40 million ash trees in southeastern Michigan alone, with tens of millions more lost in Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and Virginia. It has caused regulatory agencies and the U.S. Department of Agriculture to enforce quarantines and fines to prevent potentially infested ash trees, logs or hardwood firewood from moving out of areas where EAB occurs.

An Emerald Ash Borer Forum, "Out of the Ashes - What We Know About Emerald Ash Borer," will be

held on September 24-25, 2008 at the Hope Hotel & Conference Center, located in Bldg. 823 – Area A, at Wright Patterson Air Force Base in the Dayton area. Registration fees: \$70 (includes two breakfasts and lunches, materials, and snacks). Registration deadline: September 19. For more information about the two-day conference contact Amy Stone, The Ohio State University, (419) 578-6783 or stonea@postoffice.ag.ohio-state.edu or <http://emeraldashborer.info>.

Public officials are invited to attend the afternoon session on Thursday, September 25 from 12:30 – 3:00 p.m. free of charge. To register for this free session contact Barbara Mills, Horticulture Program Assistant, OSU/Greene County Extension, at (937) 372-9971 or mills.35@cfaes.osu.edu.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OPINIONS

SYLLABUS 2008-028

The Registrar of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles has the authority to implement changes to the architecture of the Automated Title Processing System (ATPS), or to require the clerks of the courts of common pleas to implement such changes, and to adopt an information security policy with which the clerks of courts must comply. The Registrar may centralize the ATPS servers and take any other steps he reasonably deems necessary to ensure the efficient operation of the ATPS and security of the data therein.

SYLLABUS 2008-029

A clerk of the court of common pleas may not expend moneys in the Automated Title Processing Fund, created under R.C. 4505.09(B)(3), to acquire ribbons for data processing if the ribbons will be used to issue motor vehicle and special vehicle certificates of title under R.C. Chapters 4505 and 4519. A clerk of the court of common pleas may expend moneys in the county certificate of title administration fund, created under R.C. 325.33, to acquire data processing ribbons used to issue motor vehicle and special vehicle certificates of title.

CLASSIFIEDS

RECORDS CENTER AND ARCHIVES COORDINATOR

The Union County Commissioners are looking for a Records Center and Archives Coordinator. Duties: Develops and administers a Records Management Program and assist in developing a Policies and Procedures Manual, inventory and reporting forms. Develops and manages a plan for records storage and disposal. Assists and recommends the updating and implementation of retention schedules countywide. Works with County Recorder in assisting county officials with Records Center. Ensures compliance with State mandated records retention and public access requirements concerning public records. Represent the Records Department by working with local agencies including; attending meetings, conferences, workshops, training sessions. Perform a variety of public relation duties. Develops and manages departmental budget and maintain inventory. And any other duties that may be assigned by the County Commissioners.

Minimum Qualifications: Bachelors Degree in a field to records management, and/or two to four years related experience and/or training; or equivalent combination of education and experience. Additional qualifications: Valid Ohio drivers license and acceptable driving record, ability to lift up to fifty pounds, experience in developing, organizing and managing office procedures as well as monitoring and ensuring fiscal accountability. Supervisory experience may be required. Salary range is \$38,000 to \$48,000.

For more information go to www.co.union.oh.us. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Submit resume to Rebecca Roush, Clerk, Union County Commissioners Office, 233 West Sixth Street, Marysville, 43040. EOE