

## RESOLUTION

### **IN THE MATTER OF DECLARING A REAL AND PRESENT EMERGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE OF REPLACING THE REYNOLDS ROAD COMMUNICATIONS HUT - LICKING COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

Whereas, R.C. 307.86(A)(1) and (A)(2) provide exceptions to Competitive Bidding requirements when the Board of County Commissioners, by a unanimous vote of its members, makes a determination that a real and present emergency exists, and that determination and the reasons for it are entered in the minutes of the proceedings of the board when the estimated cost is less than \$125,000 or there is actual physical disaster to structures, radio communications equipment, or computers; and,

Whereas, the Licking County Emergency Management Agency (“EMA”) was established in 1988 and provides trained staff and resources to prepare, plan, mitigate, and respond to disasters and local emergencies, pursuant to R.C. 5502.21 through 5502.99; and,

Whereas, EMA is currently responsible for Homeland Security, the Regional Communications Center (911), and Safety Services operations within the County; and,

Whereas, during crises, EMA runs the Emergency Operations Center (“EOC”) which is designed to be the focal point of any response throughout the County, to help coordinate response and recovery efforts with multiple agencies; and,

Whereas, in order to fulfill its duties, EMA maintains communications equipment and infrastructure throughout Licking County; and,

Whereas, as part of its communications duties, EMA maintains a Communication Hut located on Reynolds Road cell tower near Utica in Licking County Ohio, which contains radio equipment and supporting equipment such as a generator transfer switch and panel, power receptacles, and lighting circuit, all of which is required to be kept dry, cool, and clean to maintain proper working order; and,

Whereas, the Reynolds Road Communications Hut has water leaking in through the roof above the UPS and Transfer Switch and also has damage at the base of the hut where the water is coming in through the roof and onto the floor; and,

Whereas, EMA personnel have been unable to sufficiently fix the water leakage, and if not corrected, will likely lead to the physical disaster of both the structure and the communications in it; and,

Whereas, EMA has only been able to have one company, Steve Salyer Electric, respond to their requests for help in replacing this Communications Hut; and,

Whereas, Salyer Electric has agreed to remove radio equipment, power, and power equipment; tear down the current Communications Hut; replace it with a new building; reinstall and reconnect the radio equipment, power, and power equipment; and reinstall power receptacles and lighting circuit with a new light for the estimated cost of \$18,305.00; NOW, THEREFORE,

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**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners, County of Licking, State of Ohio:

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That the Board, by a unanimous vote of its members, has determined that a real and present emergency exists in the leaking roof of the Reynolds Road Communications Hut near Utica in Licking County, Ohio, and the estimated cost to replace the building is less than \$125,000 and even further that if left in its current state, will in time cause actual physical disaster to the structure and/or radio communications equipment.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that EMA, pursuant to R.C. 307.86(A), is not required to use Competitive Bidding to replace the Communications Hut on Reynolds Road in Licking County.

**LICKING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
CERTIFICATION PAGE**

**Resolution No. 25-0703-EMA**

**August 21, 2025**

**Entering into a Contract with Steve Salyers Electric and the LC EMA to replace Reynolds Road Communication Hut**

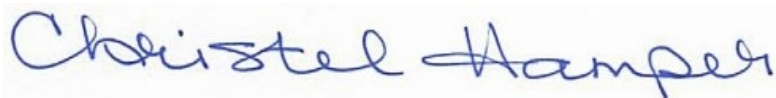
**Upon the motion of Duane H. Flowers, seconded by Timothy E. Bubb.**

**VOTE:**

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| <b>Rick Black</b>       | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Timothy E. Bubb</b>  | <b>Aye</b> |
| <b>Duane H. Flowers</b> | <b>Aye</b> |

**CERTIFICATE OF CLERK**

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon and duly passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Licking County, Ohio, on the date noted above.



Christel Hamper, Clerk of the Board  
Board of County Commissioners  
Licking County, Ohio