Scioto County Board of DD – January 31, 2011 Special Meeting Minutes

5:30 p.m.

- 1. **Roll Call:** Present were President Rodney Barnett, Vice President J. Michael Thoroughman, Recording Secretary Stephanie Childers, Klaire Purtee, Jeff Kleha, Richard L. Bolin and William Rockwell, Jr.
- 2. Agenda: The purpose of this meeting was to decide if the Board would place a levy issue on the May 2011 ballot.

3. Comments from the Floor: None

4. **Board Discussion:** Mr. Barnett reminded the Board that there were three possible election dates for 2011. The first would be May 2, next would be a special election in August, and the last election would be held on November 8. Sources at the county courthouse have informed Mr. Barnett that Portsmouth City Council will have a ballot issue in May. This means the cost of an election for those 19 polling places could be shared with the city government. As there will be a ballot issue in New Boston and another in Green Township, the costs for those precincts may also be shared.

Superintendent Hollinger distributed a report showing the value of the 1 mill levy in question. He also noted that even with the elimination of the precincts listed above, the cost of a May election to this Board would be around \$60,000.

After considerable discussion, which included members of the management team, Mr. Thoroughman moved that the issue not be placed on the May ballot. He reasoned that since there will not be another countywide issue, the cost of the election to this Board, an amount in excess of \$60,000, could not be considered good stewardship of tax dollars. Mr. Rockwell seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

5. Adjournment: Mr. Kleha made the motion to adjourn, Mr. Thoroughman seconded. The Board adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Prepared by Margaret Compton

Respectfully submitted by:

Stephanie Childers, Recording Secretary