

**FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP**  
**RESOLUTION NO. 17-06**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN THE  
CONTRACT WITH MIAMI VALLEY CRIME LAB FOR WORK ASSOCIATED WITH  
THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,467.00.**

**WHEREAS:** The Miami Valley Crime Lab provides laboratory services and is used by the Police Department for crime scene investigation analysis; and

**WHEREAS:** The current contract is due to expire this month and the Administrator requires approval to sign the contract and move the process forward.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Trustees of Fairfield Township, Butler County, Ohio, as follows;

**SECTION 1:** The Board of Trustees does hereby authorize the Administrator, Julie Vonderhaar to sign the Contract with Miami Valley Regional Crime Laboratory, 361 W. Third Street, Dayton, OH 45402. The total contract amount of \$7,467.00 will be paid with funds from the Police (Fund #2081).

**SECTION 2:** This resolution is the subject of the general authority granted to the Board of Trustees through the Ohio Revised Code and not the specific authority granted to the Board of Trustees through the status as a Limited Home Rule Township.

**SECTION 3:** That it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including §121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**SECTION 4:** This resolution shall take effect at the earliest period allowed by law.

**Adopted:** January 11, 2017

**Board of Trustees**

Shannon Hartkemeyer: \_\_\_\_\_

Joe McAbee: \_\_\_\_\_

Susan Berding: \_\_\_\_\_

*Shannon Hartkemeyer*  
*Joe McAbee*  
*Susan Berding*

**Vote of Trustees**

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*yes*  
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*yes*  
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*yes*

**AUTHENTICATION**

This is to certify that this is a resolution which was duly passed, and filed with the Fairfield Township Fiscal Officer this 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017.

**ATTEST:**

*Nancy A. Bock*  
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Nancy Bock, Fairfield Township Fiscal Officer

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

*L.E. Barbieri*  
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Lawrence E. Barbieri, Township Law Director

# Miami Valley Regional Crime Laboratory

361 West Third Street Dayton, Ohio 45402 937/225-4990 FAX 937/496-7916

Kenneth M. Betz, Director

May 24, 2016

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Chief Fruchey:

In January 2015, the Greater Dayton Managers Association (GDMA) met with members of the Crime Lab to discuss the future operations of the Crime Lab. Representatives of GDMA, Montgomery County Administrator's Office, Montgomery County Police Chief's Association, BCI&I, and county prosecutors met to review collaborative possibilities as well as future funding opportunities. After a number of meetings, the Montgomery County Administrator initiated a cost analysis study.

The updated cost analysis study using an outside consulting firm, SNA International, was completed in September 2015. Staff of the Crime Lab and the Office of Management and Budget worked together to create a rate model for the Crime Lab utilizing a five year average (2011 – 2015) or requests for service and the 2016 Crime Lab budget. A requested service is defined as the analysis performed by each section on a case.

The Miami Valley Regional Crime Laboratory was created in 1969 and has analyzed over 500,000 cases for area law enforcement agencies. The Crime Lab will continue to contract on an annual basis with agencies as before.

Historically, Montgomery County has provided over \$500,000 as a subsidy for the operation of the Crime Lab. Montgomery County has made the decision to withdraw the subsidy from agencies outside of Montgomery County for 2017. This change will result in a substantial increase for laboratory costs to most agencies. In an effort to offset some of the costs associated with the operation of the Crime Lab, a number of laboratory positions and other

operating costs have been reduced resulting in a decrease of over \$600,000 from the total budget.

Based on the cost study and current data, the projected rate for annual member agencies is \$183.93 per request. Under this proportional rate model, the estimated cost for your agency for crime lab services in 2017 would be \$10,667.94. This would include both general forensic services and AFIS entries.

*Actual cost for 2017 will be \$7,467*

The rate model will be updated based on the agencies that continue as members of the Crime Lab in 2017. We will report the results to you once we have commitments from our agencies. We do not expect the operational costs to vary greatly, but the rates charged to each agency could change depending on memberships.

The Crime Lab will continue to provide services to non-member agencies and jurisdictions in the amount of \$225 per request, with additional fees for rush cases or numerous DNA samples.

Montgomery County is requesting that your agency respond as to your commitment to continue as a member agency with the Crime Lab for 2017 by August 31, 2016.

Since this is a significant change in our billing model, staff members from the Office of Management and Budget and Crime Lab are available to discuss the specific aspects of the program or provide information to you. If you have questions or would like to meet, please contact Denise Rankin of the Crime Lab at 225-4990 or Janet Holman of the Office of Budget and Management at 225-4713.

Sincerely,



Kenneth M. Betz  
Laboratory Director