

purchase of this property is necessary, and, of course, the acquisition of this property is not subject to the approval of the Board.

Apparently, this property is being acquired by the Conservation Council primarily for park purposes under the authority of Section 472, General Code. The acquisition of property by the Conservation Council under authority of this section is subject to the approval of the Attorney General. I am hereby approving such purchase as is evidenced by my approval endorsed upon the warranty deed by which this property is conveyed to the State.

Subject to the exception above noted with respect to the taxes on this property for the year 1938 and subject to the further exception noted above as to the oil and gas lease which is apparently now owned and held by The Preston Oil Company, the title to the above described property is hereby approved as is likewise the warranty deed by which this property is conveyed to the State of Ohio. Said certificate of title and warranty deed are herewith returned for your further attention in closing the transaction for the acquisition of this property.

Respectfully,

HERBERT S. DUFFY,

*Attorney General.*

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APPROVAL—CANAL LAND LEASE, STATE OF OHIO, THROUGH SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, WITH NOAH BROWN, CIRCLEVILLE, OHIO, TERM FIFTEEN YEARS, ANNUAL RENTAL, \$6.00, RIGHT TO OCCUPY AND USE FOR RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES, DESCRIBED PORTION, ABANDONED OHIO CANAL PROPERTY, CIRCLEVILLE TOWNSHIP, PICKAWAY COUNTY, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, October 26, 1938.

HON. CARL G. WAHL, *Director, Department of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR: You recently submitted for my examination and approval a canal land lease in triplicate executed by you in your official capacity as Superintendent of Public Works and as Director of said department to one Noah Brown of Circleville, Ohio.

By this lease, which is one for a stated term of fifteen years and which provides for an annual rental of \$6.00, there is leased and demised to the lessee above named the right to occupy and use for residential and

agricultural purposes that portion of the abandoned Ohio Canal property, including the full width of the bed and banks thereof, located in Circleville Township, Pickaway County, Ohio, except that portion of said canal property as sold to The Norfolk and Western Railway Company, in 1911, and beginning at station 34+21.5, of the W. O. Sanzenbacher Survey of said canal under date of April 16th, 1934, and running thence northerly with the lines of said canal property, five hundred (500') feet, and containing 0.82 acres, more or less.

Upon examination of this lease, which is executed by you under your general authority as successor to the power, authority and duties of the Board of Public Works and under the more special authority conferred by an Act of the 79th General Assembly enacted June 7, 1911, 102 O. L., 293, I find that the lease has been properly executed by you in your official capacity above stated and by Noah Brown, the lessee therein named. I further find upon examination of this lease that the terms and provisions thereof and the conditions and restrictions therein contained are in conformity with said Act and with other statutory provisions relating to leases of this kind. I am accordingly approving this lease, as is evidenced by my approval endorsed upon the lease and upon the duplicate and triplicate copies thereof, all of which are herewith enclosed.

Respectfully,

HERBERT S. DUFFY,  
*Attorney General.*

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APPROVAL—CANAL LAND LEASE, STATE OF OHIO, THROUGH SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, WITH FRANK W. WORKMAN, COSHOCTON, OHIO, TERM FIFTEEN YEARS, ANNUAL RENTAL \$6.00, RIGHT TO OCCUPY AND USE FOR RESIDENTIAL AND AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES, DESCRIBED PORTION, OHIO CANAL PROPERTY, LOCATED IN TUSCARAWAS TOWNSHIP, COSHOCTON COUNTY, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, October 26, 1938.

HON. CARL G. WAHL, *Director, Department of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR: You recently submitted for my examination and approval a canal land lease executed by you as Superintendent of Public Works and as Director of said department to one Frank W. Workman of Coshocton, Ohio.