

"Sec. 1.

In addition to all other forms of relief, the commissioners of any county are authorized to appropriate the sum that said commissioners decide is necessary for the purpose of direct housing relief to indigent persons. Said commissioners may appoint the clerk of the board of county commissioners to investigate claims and demands for such relief. The clerk may issue a voucher to the auditor of the county each month for the rent of any indigent person whom he finds is entitled to such relief, * * *."

"Sec. 2.

Any municipality by its legislative body or any township by its trustees may appoint one or more officials, individuals, or corporations not for profit, to receive applications and make investigations of persons applying for such direct housing relief, and the commissioners shall deputize and authorize such persons and/or corporations so appointed by said municipalities or townships, to represent the commissioners in making investigations and, subject to the approval of said commission, issue the vouchers mentioned in Section 1 of this act."

It should be noted from a reading of this act that the authority is given to the county commissioners and not to the township trustees, to provide direct housing relief for indigent persons.

Inasmuch as I believe the result and reasoning of the 1915 opinion to be sound, it is my opinion, in specific answer to your inquiry that as a general rule, township trustees have no authority to pay rent under sections 3476 et seq., General Code, to families in need of support. They can do so only when, from extraordinary circumstances, such help is needed only temporarily. Amended Senate Bill No. 200, 115 O. L., 194, as amended by Amended Substitute Senate Bill No. 53 of the first special session of the 90th General Assembly gives authority to the county commissioners to provide direct housing relief for indigent persons.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. BRICKER,
Attorney General.

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APPROVAL, CERTAIN LEASES TO LAND IN TUSCARAWAS AND
KEENE TOWNSHIPS, COSHOCTON COUNTY, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, October 24, 1934.

HON. WILLIAM H. REINHART, *Commissioner, Division of Conservation, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my examination and approval certain leases executed to the state of Ohio by several property owners in Tuscarawas and Keene Townships, Coshocton County, Ohio, leasing and demising to the State for the purpose therein stated tracts of land in said townships and county.

The leases here in question, designated with respect to the number of the lease, the owner of the property and the acreage of land covered by the respective leases, are as follows:

Number	Name	Acreage
2246	E. T. and C. E. Scarr.....	242
2247	George M. Gray	263
2248	Thos. A. and Jas. V. Carton.....	64

Each and all of these leases are for a term of five (5) years and in each instance the property described is leased to the State for the sole purpose of a state game refuge. And, in this connection, it is noted that as to each of these leases the Conservation Council, acting through you as Conservation Commissioner, has made an order setting aside the lands described in the lease for the purpose of a state game and bird refuge, as provided for in section 1435-1, General Code.

Upon examination of these leases, I find that the same have been executed and acknowledged by the respective lessors in the manner provided by law. I also find upon examination of the provisions of these leases and of the conditions and restrictions therein contained, that the same are in conformity with statutory provisions relating to the execution of leases of this kind.

I am, accordingly, approving these leases as to legality and form, as is evidenced by my approval endorsed upon the several leases and upon the duplicate copies thereof, all of which are herewith returned.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. BRICKER,
Attorney General.

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BONDS—BOND ISSUING AUTHORITY MAY REJECT ALL BIDS AND RE-ADVERTISE WHEN—REFUNDING BONDS MAY BE EXCHANGED FOR REFUNDED BONDS WHEN.

SYLLABUS:

1. *After bonds have been advertised pursuant to the provisions of Section 2293-28, General Code, and bids received pursuant thereto, the bond issuing authority has the power to reject all bids submitted and readvertise such bonds.*

2. *In the event refunding bonds are advertised for sale and a bid is duly submitted for such bonds pursuant thereto, such bonds may not be exchanged for bonds refunded unless all bids submitted pursuant to such advertisement are rejected, the bonds readvertised and no bids submitted to such advertisement and the same remain unsold at private sale for a period of ten days.*

COLUMBUS, OHIO, October 24, 1934.

HON. RAY B. WATTERS, *Prosecuting Attorney, Akron, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—Your letter of recent date is as follows:

“Summit County is in the process of issuing refunding bonds to take the place of 40 per cent of Summit County bonds which matured October 1, 1934. The Summit County Commissioners determined on a plan of paying 60 per cent in cash and refunding 40 per cent. The refunding bonds are dated October 1, 1934. The rate of interest determined upon