

# County News

## Commissioners in Action June 5

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**LAKE COUNTY** - Lake County Commissioners Bob Aufuldish, Dan Troy and Judy Moran meet at 10 a.m. most Thursdays, with some meetings at 2 p.m. on Tuesdays, in the Commissioners' Chambers on the fourth floor of the Lake County Administration Building, 105 Main St., Painesville.

All meetings are open to the public. Requests to address the government board may be made at any board meeting or presented to the Commissioners' Office by calling Amy Elszasz at (440) 350-2753.

There was a meeting June 10. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 19 at 10 a.m.

At the June 5 meeting, the following resolutions were adopted:

### RESOLUTIONS: ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT

- Authorizing temporary right-of-entry agreements to make necessary drainage improvements along the existing right of way line in Madison Township.

### UTILITIES

### DEPARTMENT

- Approving final estimate No. 4 in the amount of \$4,936 with ABC Piping Company and accepting a three-year maintenance bond in the amount of \$12,340 for Bacon Road Water Treatment Plant Traveling Screens Replacement & Upgrade Project No. 351W.

- Certifying unpaid sewer and water sums to the Lake County Auditor.

### JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

- Approving vouchers date of warrant June 9, in the amount of \$227,175.52.

The breakdown of charges is Public Assistance, \$39,042.82; Child Support Enforcement, \$387,228; Workforce Investment, \$93,546.93; and Child Welfare, \$94,198.49.

### COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE

- Accepting the FY 2015 Community-Based Corrections Program 407 Subsidy Grant and authorizing execution of the grant agreement on behalf of the Lake County Adult Probation Department with the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction.

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- Reappointing Kenneth R. Keener as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Lake County Library District, for a seven-year term expiring July 6, 2021.

- Declaring the amount of taxes which may be raised within the 10-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide for the necessary requirements of Lake County, determining that it is necessary to levy a renewal tax of 0.9 mills for a period of 10 years for the financing, maintenance and operation of mental health, drug and alcohol

abuse prevention and treatment services and facilities for the residents of Lake County by the Lake County ADAMHS Board, and requesting the county auditor certify the total current tax valuation of Lake County and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by said renewal tax levy.

"This is an existing levy; I believe it expires at the end of 2015," said Board President Dan Troy. "Under Ohio law, the earliest point at which a renewal can be asked for is the General Election immediately preceding the year in which it expires."

ADAMHS Board Executive Director Kim Fraser said the levy was initially placed on the ballot in 1976, and expressed gratitude to the county voters for always renewing it.

"Our levies truly are the lifeblood of our system; they make up over 60 percent of our funding," she said.

The monies are used for crisis intervention services, suicide prevention, depression awareness in schools and mental health services for seniors.

Troy explained the ADAMHS Board adminis-

ters the funds to the agencies which provide the actual services.

### FINANCE DEPARTMENT

- Approving payment of bills in the amount of \$662,237.81.

- Approving purchase orders as listed on the commissioners' purchase order approval journal in the amount of \$459,171.56.

- Increasing appropriations for various non-general fund accounts.

- Transferring cash and appropriations within various general and non-general fund accounts.

### SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

- Declaring June 15 World Elder Abuse Awareness Day in Lake County.

It was noted there are about 17,000 reports of elder abuse in the state each year.

(See story, "June 15 is World Elder Abuse Awareness Day in Lake County")

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

The commissioners adjourned to executive session to discuss two issues of pending litigation.