

Commissioners in Action

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LAKE COUNTY - Lake County Commissioners Bob Aufuldish, Dan Troy and Ray Sines 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 Elaszcz at (440) 350-2753.

There were meetings Feb. 7 and 9. The next meetings will be Tuesday, Feb. 14 at 2 p.m.

At the Feb. 2 meeting, the following legislation was adopted:

RESOLUTIONS: UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

- Resolution authorizing execution of an agreement with CT Consultants, Inc. for Mentor Marsh Sewer Project No. 336S.

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

- Resolution to delete a water sum certified to the Lake County Auditor.

- Resolution authorizing the Lake County Sanitary Engineer to make

application with the Ohio Public Works Commission for emergency funding for repair of the Stirling Road Sanitary Sewer in Madison Township and to execute an OPWC agreement funding

emergency repairs to alleviate the threat to public safety, health and welfare.

"Basically there's two sections of sanitary sewers on the southern end of Stirling Road in Madison Township, north of Chapel Road," said Al Saari, county sanitary engineer. "About a week and a half ago, a Madison Township snow plow collapsed the road and of course collapsed our sanitary sewer."

The county jet truck was dispatched to pump the sewer and continue service, but then it, too, collapsed part of the road, which needed to be closed to all but local traffic.

The county has applied for emergency repair funds from OPWC. However, the following resolution approves having the LCDU proceed with repairs since they must be done as soon as possible.

- Resolution declaring the necessity of and determining to proceed with repair of a sanitary sewer on Stirling Road in Madison Township.

- Resolution awarding a bid contract in the amount of \$205,480 to Karvo Paving for Hardy Road Waterline Improvement Project No. 323-W for the Lake County Department of Utilities.

- Resolution awarding a bid contract to Osborne Concrete & Stone Company for limestone for the Lake County Department of Utilities.

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE

- Resolution authorizing execution of a subgrant agreement with the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services under the Violence Against Women Act on behalf

of the Lake County Prosecutor's Victim Assistance Program in the amount of \$50,000 for the period Jan. 1 through Dec. 31.

- Resolution authorizing execution of an agreement between the Lake County Board of Commissioners and Cuyahoga County for the FY09-State Homeland Security Grant Program, effective through March 30.

"This is to purchase two GPS units for the Lake County Sheriff's Office Detective Bureau," said Commissioner Bob Aufuldish.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

- Resolution increasing appropriations for a general fund account.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Dan Troy commented on an e-mail he received from the National Association of Counties (NACo) regarding the recent bill released by the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee regarding highway and transit reauthorization. The proposal would combine and eliminate about 70 highway programs and give the state departments of transportation the right to determine which projects to fund.

The legislation was to be considered Feb. 2.

The e-mail recommended officials contact their congressmen to express their opposition since counties and local entities could be denied further funding for road projects if the bill is passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The commissioners adjourned to executive session to discuss collective bargaining.