

February 10, 2011

## LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

RAYMOND E. SINES, PRESIDENT  
DANIEL P. TROY, COMMISSIONER  
ROBERT E. AUFULDISH, COMMISSIONER  
AMY ELSZASZ, CLERK

LEGAL COUNSEL  
MIKE MATAS, BUDGET DIRECTOR  
NEWS MEDIA

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(Tape 2011-0210)

**CALL TO ORDER:** Commissioner Sines called the meeting to order at 10:07 am, Thursday, February 10, 2011.

**ROLL CALL:** Upon the roll being called all were present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Upon a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the minutes of the meeting of February 3, 2011, were approved as follows:

"AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy      "NAYS": None

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:** Commissioner Sines asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board.

- Representative of Northeast Ohio Max Blachman for Senator Sherrod Brown addressed the Board regarding the recent resolution passed by the Commissioners for the Child Support Protection Act and calling on Senator Brown and Portman to sponsor and support this bill. Representative Blachman said that Senator Brown was a co-sponsor of that legislation in the last Congress and wanted to take this opportunity to let the Board know that he would be supporting it in this one. Representative Blachman also gave a legislative update of what is happening right now in the Senate and that Senator Brown is directing his energy and time into the trade policy, the needed extension of the Trade Adjustment Assistance Program and Healthcare Tax Credit, the national manufacturing strategy and policy, and the SECTORS Bill. Representative Blachman said their office is here to work together and to hear any other issues that are of importance to Lake County. Commissioner Troy: Thanks for being here and indicating Senator Browns support of the Child Support Incentives Act. Another important issue to the county is (CDBG) Community Development Block Grant Funding. I know that there is this push to reduce spending and control the deficit. The concern is that there are a lot of new members in Congress that may not be familiar with CDBG Funding, and that its funding could be a main target. This funding has been very instrumental to Lake County economically and in terms of social services provision. It has been used to help create private sector jobs, by establishing a revolving loan program to invest in and allow some of our manufacturing businesses to grow some jobs, create some infrastructure help in areas, and it has really helped community organizations to provide desperately needed services.

- Matt Battiato, Director of Job and Family Services thanked Representative Blachman for being here today and to please thank Senator Brown for his continued support regarding the Child Support Protection Act.

- Debra Wernick announced that the Lake County Job and Family Services Child Support Division has been recognized again for its sixth consecutive year and will receive two awards by the State for largest collections in current support and largest collection in arrears.

- The Commissioners were very appreciative and proud of the a job well done by Lake County Job and Family Services, which is so important by taking some of the burden off of the taxpayers and helping children in the county.

### **RESOLUTIONS:**

1. RESOLUTION CERTIFYING UNPAID SEWER AND WATER SUMS TO THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR (20110210\U01) (UT-7)

**On a motion** of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy      "NAYS": None

2. RESOLUTION HIRING DENIS T. YURKOVICH, P.E. TO THE POSITION OF DEPUTY SANITARY ENGINEER IN THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES, EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 14, 2011 (20110210\U02) (UT-3)

Commissioner Troy: This is to fill the vacancy of Mr. Rothlisberger, the previous deputy sanitary engineer, who has moved over to head our Water Division.

Commissioner Aufuldish: I know that there were lots of resumes received and I believe that Denis will do a very fine job.

**On a motion** of Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy      "NAYS": None

3. RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT FEBRUARY 14, 2011, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$273,655.52 (20110210\JFS01) (JFS-14)

**On a motion** of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy      "NAYS": None

4. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO ENTER INTO A FEDERAL EQUITABLE SHARING AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO RECEIVE FEDERALLY FORFEITED PROPERTY AND/OR FUNDS (20110210\C01) (CT-8con)

**On a motion** of Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy      "NAYS": None

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5. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO ENTER INTO A FEDERAL EQUITABLE SHARING AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY NARCOTICS AGENCY TO RECEIVE FEDERALLY FORFEITED PROPERTY AND/OR FUNDS (20110210\C02) (CT-17a)

**On a motion** of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Sines, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy "NAYS": None

6. RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,725,210.39 (20110210\BC01) (C-4)

**On a motion** of Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy "NAYS": None

7. RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,117,292.47 (20110210\BC02) (C-17)

**On a motion** of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy "NAYS": None

8. RESOLUTION INCREASING AND DECREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS NON GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20110210\BC03) (C-111)

**On a motion** of Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy "NAYS": None

9. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20110210\BC04) (C-111)

**On a motion** of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy "NAYS": None

UTILITIES: Commissioner Troy: Aqua Ohio, the private water company in Lake County, has approached PUCO for a systems improvement charge for maintenance and upkeep, and PUCO has granted them that provision. The purpose of this charge is to recover costs related to the divisions infrastructure replacements (primarily waterlines).

- Commissioner Troy pointed out that these upgrades are all included in what Lake County customers currently pay. Now, we know that this option is out there as we begin discussions in some of those communities that have aging waterlines.

STORMWATER: None

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES: None

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES: None

FINANCE: Mike Matas, Budget Director: We have three budget hearings scheduled for today at 11:30 am, 1:30 pm, and 2:30 pm.

CLERK: None - Assistant Clerk, Katarina Rodgers was present on behalf of the Clerk.

LEGAL: None

OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no new business.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On a motion of Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the Board convened an Executive Session at 10:32 am to discuss a pending litigation matter, with the vote as follows:

"AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy "NAYS": None

The Lake County Board of Commissioners recessed Executive Session at 10:32 am.

The Lake County Board of Commissioners reconvened Executive Session at 10:38.

On a motion of Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the Board terminated the Executive Session at 11:37 am, with the vote as follows:

"AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy "NAYS": None

ADJOURN: On a motion of Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the Board adjourned the meeting at 11:37 am, with the vote as follows:

"AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy "NAYS": None

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Minutes approved this 15th day of February, 2011.

**BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

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KATARINA RODGERS, ASSISTANT CLERK