

February 16, 2012

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

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

LEGAL COUNSEL
JOEL DIMARE, BUDGET DIRECTOR
NEWS MEDIA

(Tape 2012-0216)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Sines called the meeting to order at 10:03 am, Thursday, February 16, 2012.

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 9, 2012, 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. No one present addressed the Board.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ASSIGNMENT OF AN ENGINEERING AGREEMENT ORIGINALLY EXECUTED WITH THE FLOYD BROWNE GROUP TO ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN GROUP FOR THE HARDY ROAD WATERLINE PROJECT NO. 323-W (20120216\U01) (UT-4)

- Commissioner Aufuldish and Al Saari, Sanitary Engineer briefly discussed that there has been a corporate restructuring of the Floyd Brown Group and that they have gone back to the Environmental Design Group Akron offices.

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 DECLARING THE NECESSITY OF AND APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$21,000,000 FOR MADISON WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADE AND EXPANSION PROJECT NO. 289-S AND ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR SAME (Bid Opening: March 28, 2012) (20120216\U02) (UT-8)

Al Saari, Sanitary Engineer: Five to six years ago we started looking at the expansion and upgrade of the Madison treatment plant where the last expansion took place in 1972 over 40 years. The expansion will be from 3 million to 5 million gallons per day, which will be needed to avoid EPA violations. This will be financed through the Ohio Water Department Authority (OWDA) with a favorable floating loan rate of 3.05%. The next resolution will indicate to OWDA that the Lake County Department of Utilities can pay back the loan. We will be raising the benefit user fee for new customers only from \$3.37 to \$5.70, which is the exact same rate as the Mentor Waste Water Sewer District to create uniformity in Lake County. The quarterly rate will be the same across Lake County.

- Commissioner Aufuldish and Al Saari briefly discussed that there will be two phases of funding. One will be the upgrade and one will be the expansion.

- Al Saari briefly discussed the bid package specifications.

Commissioner Troy: This will be the same process that we used for the Mentor plant where we said that any required EPA upgrades will be borne by all existing and future rate payers, and any expansion of the plant would be borne solely by future users. Lake County should be proud that we have two wastewater treatment plants and both have zero discharge of untreated raw waste going into Lake Erie. There are a lot of wastewater treatment systems in this area of the state that cannot make that claim.

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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3. RESOLUTION REVISING THE SEWER WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT CAPACITY FEE FOR THE MADISON WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY (20120216\U03) (UT-17)

Al Saari, Sanitary Engineer: This adjustment will not take place until after construction, which we are anticipating January 2014.

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 RECLASSIFYING LAUREN SCHULER TO THE POSITION OF INSPECTOR I IN THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES, EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 27, 2012 (20120216\U04) (UT-3)

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

5. RESOLUTION HIRING JASON ASHMAN TO THE POSITION OF INSPECTOR I IN THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES, EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 27, 2012 (20120216\U05) (UT-3)

Commissioner Troy: This is filling a vacancy due to a retirement.

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

6. RESOLUTION HIRING WILLIAM BABCOCK TO THE POSITION OF INSPECTOR I IN THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES, EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 27, 2012 (20120216\U06) (UT-3)

Commissioner Troy: This is also filling a vacancy due to a retirement.

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 AWARDDING BID CONTRACTS TO HD WATERWORKS & SUPPLY, FERGUSON WATERWORKS AND VICTORY WATERWORKS SUPPLY FOR FITTINGS, REPAIR PARTS, SERVICE EQUIPMENT AND TOOLS FOR THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES (20120216\U07) (UT-4)

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 AWARDDING A BID CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$294,000 TO COLD HARBOR BUILDING CO. FOR SR 174 & 84 BOOSTER STATION UPGRADE (GENERAL AND ELECTRICAL) PROJECT NO. 326W FOR THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES (20120216\U08) (UT-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

9. RESOLUTION CERTIFYING UNPAID SEWER AND WATER SUMS TO THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR (20120216\U09) (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

10. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY 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

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SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO RECEIVE FEDERALLY FORFEITED PROPERTY AND/OR FUNDS (20120216\C01) (CT-10)

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

11. RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,413,843.63 (20120216\BC01) (C-4)

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

12. RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$604,310.70 (20120216\BC02) (C-17)

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

13. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20120216\BC03) (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: Rick Martin, Director briefly discussed with the Commissioners that Lake County provides a sewer billing service for the City of Willowick and that he recently found out that Willowick has established a flat rate fee for their sewers and this will be in addition to the volumetric rate. This will be quite an increase. Our records indicate Willowick's average customer pays \$72.85 per quarter currently and it will increase to an approximate \$95 per quarter. - Lake County provides water to the City of Willowick and provides a billing service for their sewer charges.

- Brief discussion took place that this rate increase is a decision by the City of Willowick and is not a decision made by Lake County.

- The Utilities Department has requested a statement from Willowick to insert with the billing to inform their customers of this rate increase.

STORMWATER: None - No one present

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES: None

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES: None

FINANCE: None

CLERK: None

LEGAL: None

OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS: Commissioner Troy asked for a moment of silence for the former longtime public official, Sheriff Ed Cunningham who passed away this week.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Brief discussion took place in response to a question from John Muzik, Painesville Township regarding the geographical area covered by the Mentor Waste Water Treatment Plant.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

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ADJOURN: On a motion of Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the Board adjourned the meeting at 10:25 am, with the vote as follows:

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

Minutes approved this 28th day of February, 2012.

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