

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

JERRY C. CIRINO, COMMISSIONER
JOHN R HAMERCHECK, COMMISSIONER
DANIEL P. TROY, COMMISSIONER
JENNIFER BELL, CLERK

JASON W. BOYD, ADMINISTRATOR
LEGAL COUNSEL
MIKE MATAS, BUDGET DIRECTOR
NEWS MEDIA

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(Tape 2017-0209)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Cirino called the Meeting to order at 10:05 am, Thursday, February 9, 2017.

ROLL CALL: Upon the roll being called, all were present

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Commissioner Cirino asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. No one present wished to address the Board at this time.

Ms. Lisa Siciliano-Miller, from OSU Extension, introduced Ms. Lois Osborn, President of Master Gardeners. Ms. Osborn briefly discussed the upcoming Master Gardener "Grow it Yourself" workshop that will occur on March 11, 2017 from 8:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Lakeland Community College.

Commissioner Cirino asked Ms. Osborn if there would be any local growers attending and presenting at the workshop. Ms. Osborn stated that Klynn Nursery will be one of the presenters.

RESOLUTIONS:

- 1. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LAKE COUNTY ENGINEER TO ENTER INTO A LOCAL PUBLIC AGENT (LPA) AGREEMENT WITH THE DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION OF THE STATE OF OHIO FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF SR 283, EASTLAKE, OHIO (LAK SR 283-03.95)(PID #84403)(20170209\E01)(E-3)**

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

- 2. **RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT FEBRUARY 13, 2017, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$223,986.29(20170209\JFS01)(JFS-14)**

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

- 3. **RESOLUTION DESIGNATING DAVID RADACHY AS CERTIFYING OFFICER AND RHEA BENTON, MARIAN NORMAN, AND JOSEPH ROSE AS ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT RULES GOVERNING THE USE OF FUNDS UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AND HOME PROGRAMS (20170209\C01)(C-46)**

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

- 4. **RESOLUTION APPOINTING RICHARD TERRIACO TO THE LAKE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION FOR A TERM EXPIRING AUGUST 14, 2019 (20170209\C02)(B-34)**

On a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Cirino. Commissioner Troy stated that Mr. Terriaco will be completing the term of Mr. Richard Morse. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

- 5. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISING FOR PROPOSALS FOR CONTRACTED PSYCHOLOGICAL CLINICAL SERVICES (Accepting Proposals until March 17, 2017)(20170209\C03)(CT-3C)**

On a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Cirino. Judge Karen Lawson was present and stated that due to numerous retirements, the Juvenile Court would like to advertise for proposals for an increase in clinical services for the children in the detention facility. The proposals would increase services and decrease costs to the taxpayers. Commissioner Troy thanked Judge Lawson and her staff for going in this direction and stated this would be a more budget friendly service than replacing employees. Commissioner Cirino asked Judge Lawson if they intend to utilize services within Lake County. Judge Lawson responded they are hopeful Signature Health, Premier Behavioral, Crossroads, etc. will be submitting proposals. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

- 6. **RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,119,407.81 (20170209\BC01)(C-4)**

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

- 7. **RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,142,538.94(20170209\BC02)(C-17)**

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

- 8. **RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20170209\BC03)(C-111)**

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

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES – Commissioner Cirino asked if there were any issues with the amount of rain received. Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger, stated that the pump stations were working and that there were no known issues.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – Job and Family Services Director, Mr. Matthew Battiato, reported that the Executive Director of CCAO, the Executive Director of Jobs and Family Services Directors Association, and the Executive Director of Public Children Services sent a letter to the State Department of Jobs and Family Services Director, Ms. Cynthia Dungey, regarding the Governor's budget proposal and its flat funding, and the necessity for Counties throughout the State to pass levies. Commissioner Troy stated the letter is well worth the effort and the agencies are trying to send a message that the needs of the Jobs and Family Services agencies are increasing due to the continued opiate epidemic. He stated that we are fortunate that the Lake County voters have supported special levies for Jobs and Family Services, but that does not excuse the state for the lack of funding. Mr. Battiato reported that over the past year there has been an 11% increase of children in the custody of Jobs and Family Services agencies throughout Ohio and a 17% increase in placement costs over the past year. Commissioner Hamercheck stated that he and Commissioner Troy attended a CCAO meeting and the committee discussed the Jobs and Family Services issues. He reported that nationally the contributions to Jobs and Family Services is 43% but in the State of Ohio, it is only 9%. Commissioner Hamercheck discussed several other topics of discussion and his intention to meet with State Representative Ron Young to discuss the issues Ohio is experiencing with lack of funding for Jobs and Family Services.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – Mr. Jason Boyd stated that EMA Director, Mr. Larry Greene, and the Department sent out a Reverse 911 regarding potential flooding to the residents of Eastlake and Willoughby Hills.

FINANCE – none.

CLERK – none.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS: - none.

NEW BUSINESS: - none.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Commissioner Cirino asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board.

Mr. John Muzik of 45 Coventry in Painesville Township, agreed with Mr. Battiato and the Board that something needs to be done regarding the lack of funding for Jobs and Family Services and discussed the school levies that will be placed on the ballot this year. Mr. Muzik asked if was possible to have a "State of the County" public meeting once a year. Commissioner Cirino responded that the Lake County Board of Commissioners are very committed to keeping Lake County in the best possible shape and will always have the best interest of the Lake County citizens in mind when making decisions. Commissioner Troy discussed the philosophical disconnect on the many issues with State, and the need to determine the most vital needs. He explained that the County basically serves as a branch office of the State government by performing the statutory requirements of the State such as holding elections, providing state mandated services through county offices, and running courts and providing jails. Commissioner Troy explained that the Lake County Development Council hosts a forum that updates the public on several aspects throughout Lake County.

Ms. Arzella Melnyk of 10506 Hobart Road in Kirtland, asked for an update on the Lake Health \$30 million write-off and asked if there are any plans to have more oversight of Lake Health or make changes to appointments. Commissioner Cirino explained that the Board of Commissioners do not oversee Lake Health. It became private back in 1985-1986. He stated by agreement at that time, the Board of Commissioners serve as Members of the Lake Health Corporation, make appointments to the Board of Trustees, but are not involved in the operation of Lake Health. He stated he has had discussions with the CEO of Lake Health regarding the \$30 million write-off of receivables and Lake Health's dedication to delivering quality health care.

Commissioner Cirino stated the next Regular Commissioners' Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 14, 2017 at 2:00 P.M.

ADJOURN: On a motion by Commissioner, seconded by Commissioner, the Board adjourned the meeting at 10:50 a.m., with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

Minutes approved this seventh day of March, 2017.

BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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