

JUNE 3, 2021

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

JOHN R HAMERCHECK, COMMISSIONER JASON W. BOYD, ADMINISTRATOR
JOHN PLECNIK, COMMISSIONER LEGAL COUNSEL
RON YOUNG, COMMISSIONER MIKE MATAS, BUDGET DIRECTOR
JENNIFER BELL, CLERK NEWS MEDIA

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(Tape 2021-0603)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Hamercheck called the Meeting to order at 10:10 a.m., Thursday, June 3, 2021.

ROLL CALL: Upon roll being called, Commissioners Plecnik, Young and Hamercheck were present.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. Mr. Brian Massie of 8196 Rainbow Drive in Concord, submitted the following comment by email: "There are several citizens that would like to take a tour of the Lake County jail, so that they can see for themselves the condition of the jail. Can the Commissioners organize a tour for those citizens that would like to participate?" Thank you, Brian Massie, Lobbyists for Citizens Sheriff Leonbruno was present and responded that tours of the jail are permitted however at this time, the jail remains closed to tours and visitors due to COVID-19. Once they begin to reopen, the information will be on the website and their Facebook page.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING THAT NO BIDS WERE RECEIVED ON MAY 26, 2021, APPROVING THE REVISED ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE OF COSTS, AND AUTHORIZING RE-ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR THE MORLEY, PROUTY, & PINEHILL ROADS TRAFFIC SIGNAL UPGRADE PROJECT, OPWC No. DGX07, LCE Project No. 2019-023 (Bid Opening June 23, 2021)(20210603\E01)(E-2)

On a motion by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Mr. Ted Galuschik from the Engineers Office explained that, due to material shortages and pricing increases the engineer's estimate had to be revised to include the estimated cost increases. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Young and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

2. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING CASH WITHIN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES WATER OPERATING FUND AND PROJECT FUND 595, DIVISION/BANK/ATWATER WATERLINE PROJECT 446-W(20210603\U01)(UT-2)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Young, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Young and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

3. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING CASH WITHIN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES WATER OPERATING FUND AND PROJECT FUND 595, VINE STREET WATERLINE-WILLOWICK DRIVE TO S.R. 91 PROJECT 447-W(20210603\U02)(UT-2)

On a motion by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Young and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

4. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING CASH WITHIN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES WATER OPERATING FUND AND PROJECT FUND 595, LAKESHORE BOULEVARD WATERLINE-E.288TH TO SEABORN PROJECT 448-W (20210603\U03)(UT-2)

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

5. RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$565,460.40 FOR BELLFLOWER AREA SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENT, ST. JAMES RELIEF PROJECT NO 403-S, AND ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR SAME (BID OPENING JUNE 30, 2021) (20210603\U04)(UT-8)

On a motion by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Mr. Rothlisberger stated that this project will increase capacity in order to better serve the area. He also stated that they were able to secure an OPWC grant and loan for this project. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Young and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

6. RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT JUNE 11, 2021, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,136.46 (20210603\JFS01)(JFS-14)

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

7. RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$714,126.06(20210603\BC01)(C-4)

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

8. RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,328,380.80 (20210603\BC02)(C-17)

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

**9. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS
(20210603\BC03)(C-111)**

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

**10. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING AN APPROPRIATION WITHIN A NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT
(20210603\BC04)(C-111)**

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

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES – Mr. Rothlisberger stated that this Saturday, June 5th (from 8:00 am until 2:00 pm) will be the first Household Hazardous Waste collection at the Lake County Fairgrounds. Residents can go to their website for a detailed list of acceptable items.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – none.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR –Mr. Boyd welcomed Ms. Suzanne Casar to her first meeting in her new capacity as Director of Job and Family Services. He gave an update on Covid-19, stating that Lake County continues to be one of the the top 2 counties in the State for vaccinations with Delaware County being the other. He stated that currently 53% of Lake County residents have been vaccinated. Mr. Boyd thanked the Buildings and Grounds staff for their excellent work in spring clean up and the addition of flowers to the gardens on County grounds.

FINANCE – none.

CLERK – Assistant Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Kathy Russo, stated that the next Commissioner’s Meeting will be held on Thursday, June 10, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS: - none.

NEW BUSINESS: Commissioner Hamercheck asked for the Board’s thoughts regarding the continuation of electronic public comment submissions now that County buildings are back open to the public. Commissioner Young stated that he doesn’t feel there needs to be a permanent procedural change based on the pandemic last year. Commissioner Plecnik stated and Commissioner Hamercheck agreed that he would like to continue to livestream the meetings as well as encourage the public to attend in person. Assistant Prosecutor, Mr. David Hackman, stated that public comment is not a requirement of the Public Meetings Act therefore, public comment rules are at the discretion of the Board. The Board discussed several options for public comment with Mr. Boyd and Mr. Hackman but will discuss them again further at a later date.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. No one present wished to address the Board at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On a motion by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the Board convened an Executive Session at 10:46 a.m. to discuss Personnel-Collective Bargaining and Personnel-Employment with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Young and Hamercheck "NAYS": None

The Lake County Board of Commissioners adjourned to Executive Session at 11:48 a.m.

ADJOURN: On a motion by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the Board adjourned the meeting at 11:48 a.m. with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Young and Hamercheck "NAYS": None

Minutes approved this eighth day of July, 2021.

BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JOHN R. HAMERCHECK, PRESIDENT

RON YOUNG, COMMISSIONER

JOHN PLECNIK, COMMISSIONER

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