

MARCH 5, 2020

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

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

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(Tape 2020-0305)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Hamercheck called the Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, March 5, 2020.

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

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. Madison Township Trustee Kenneth Gauntner, spoke of the proposed ODOT project that would permanently reduce the number of lanes on a section of Route 20 in the eastern part of Madison Township and is slated to take place in the summer of 2021. He stated that ODOT needs to focus their attention on Route 20 to the area west of Route 528, which should have been addressed years ago. He discussed the demographics in these sections and stated that Route 20 between Route 528 and County Line Road, with its current four-lanes, is actually a very safe stretch of roadway. Mr. Gauntner stated that over the past 26 months this area has experienced a total of 19 crashes. Of those, four were minor injury accidents, seven involved hitting deer crossing the roadway, and the remaining crashes were minor fender benders. The Board discussed with Mr. Gauntner the details of the area, ODOT, and the various evacuation routes that would be affected by lane reduction. Commissioner Hamercheck stated that he has talked at length with Representative Callendar about this issue. He also stated that when he spoke with NOACA Executive Director, Grace Gallucci, she was unaware that ODOT had made any decisions on the lane reduction but she would look into it further. County Engineer, Mr. Jim Gills, also stated that he was unaware of any decision made by ODOT and explained that he too felt reducing the lanes would be a bad idea. He also explained that this portion should actually be a 5 lane road and detailed drainage issues that are present. Commissioner Hamercheck reiterated that the last the Board had heard was that there would be a study done of this area and no decision had been made yet. Commissioner Cirino discussed the economic impact the lane reduction would have on area businesses and stated that a 5 lane road would be a better plan. Commissioner Hamercheck stated that he has made a call to Senator Eklund's office.

Mr. David Spall of 1534 Clipper Cove in Painesville Township, gave some background on his newly formed company, Lake Innovative Products, and its product, Fuel-loc-Box. Mr. Spall explained that his product was created to safely store extra gasoline and propane tanks outside of the home and garage therefore preventing the risk of injury. He stated that according to the National Fire Protection Association approximately 500 Americans die each year with 4,000 injuries due to gasoline related fires. Commissioner Hamercheck and Mr. Gills discussed their experiences with such accidents. The Board commended Mr. Spall for a very innovative product and thanked him for coming in.

RESOLUTIONS:

12. RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MARCH 2020 AS DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH (20200305\F01)(C-126)

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck. The Commissioners recognized the month of March as Lake County Board of Developmental Disabilities/Deepwood for Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month. Ms. Elfie Roman, Superintendent for Lake County Board of DD/Deepwood, thanked the Board for the continued support. She explained that they focus on and highlight the abilities of those individuals that they serve. Ms. Roman highlighted several events including a young man by the name of Charlie that lived out his dream of being a celebrity bartender at Ballantine's in downtown Willoughby, and about raising awareness of Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month. Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month focuses on teaching the importance of inclusion and highlights how successful those with disabilities can be. She mentioned that Deepwood Idol is Saturday, March 21st at the Great Lakes Mall and challenged the Board of Commissioners to a basketball game with the undefeated Broadmoor Bobcats. Ms. Madeline Klimovich read a statement explaining that Developmental Disabilities has given her many chances to advocate for herself. She stated that she is very happy to have been chosen to join the Lake County Advocacy Council because she would like to become a leader in her community. Director of Public Relations and Professional Services for Lake County Board of DD/Deepwood, Ms. Lynnmarie Landwei-Phillips was present. She stated that she runs the Advocacy Council and the program teaches the individuals public speaking, how advocate for themselves and others, and leadership skills. She introduced participants, Madeline, Chris and Charles, who presented the Commissioners with gifts. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Young, and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

1. RESOLUTION AWARDING A BID CONTRACT TO CHAGRIN VALLEY PAVING, INC. FOR THE DAYTON ROAD RECONSTRUCTION AND SAFETY PROJECT PHASE II AND RESURFACING COUNTY ROADS AS REQUIRED BY THE LAKE COUNTY ENGINEER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,454,417.50 (20200305\E01)(E-3)

On a motion by Commissioner Hamercheck, seconded by Commissioner Cirino. Engineer, Mr., Gills, explained that this is one of the many projects the Engineer's Office will be completing this summer. This is the final phase and completion of the Dayton Road Project. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Young, and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

2. RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR QUAIL HOLLOW #10 SUBDIVISION PHASE 1B IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP (20200305\E02)(SD-433)

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Young. Planning and Community Development Director, Mr. David Radachy, explained that this resolution will allow for improvements and construction to begin as

well as setting the surety and maintenance. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Young, and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

3. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING CASH WITHIN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES SOLID WASTE OPERATING FUND AND PROJECT FUND 597 (20200305\U01)(UT-2)

On a motion by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Cirino. Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger, stated that this resolution pertains to the design and build of the gas collection expansion project as a result of the study that was performed last year. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Young, and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

4. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR LAKE COUNTY COURTHOUSE RESERVED PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT FOR THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (Bid Opening: April 1, 2020)(20200305\C01)(681-G)

On a motion by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Cirino. County Administrator, Mr. Jason Boyd, explained that he along with Budget Director, Michael Matas, and Buildings and Grounds Superintendent, Mark lafelice, have been working with the elected officials in the Courthouse on the design for a secure parking area. They will be seeking a variance from the City of Painesville and construction should begin in the spring. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Young, and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

5. RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$155,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, TO PAY COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING, EQUIPPING, FURNISHING AND OTHERWISE IMPROVING BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS FOR COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS PURPOSES, INCLUDING ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO AND AUTHORIZING RELATED MATTERS (20200305\C02)(C-23)

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Young. Budget Director, Mr. Michael Matas, explained that along with the Fair Board Member, Mr. Bob Dawson, they have worked with our Bond Counsel in finalizing the needed resolution for the internal loan. The loan amount will be \$155,000 and will work on a payment schedule of no longer than 66 months with no prepayment penalty. Interest rates will be determined based on current market conditions and reviewed annually. Commissioner Cirino thanked Mr. Matas for his work in putting this loan together for them. Commissioner Hamercheck pointed out that additional funding has been arranged through CDBG, internal fundraising and miscellaneous donations. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Young, and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

6. RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING KATHLEEN T. MALEC TO THE LAKELAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR A FIVE YEAR TERM EXPIRING MARCH 6, 2025 (20200305\C03)(B-51)

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

7. RESOLUTION APPOINTING ELLEN FOLEY KESSLER TO THE LAKELAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR A FIVE YEAR TERM EXPIRING MARCH 6, 2025 (20200305\C04)(B-51)

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

8. RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,637,336.65(20200305\BC01)(C-4)

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

9. RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$491,174.79(20200305\BC02)(C-17)

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

10. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20200305\BC03)(C-111)

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

11. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20200305\BC04)(C-111)

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

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES – none.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – none.

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – Mr. Jason Boyd referred back to resolution #4 on the agenda, explaining that they are also working with the Common Pleas Judges to arrange back up power generators which will come before the Board at a later date. Mr. Boyd thanked everyone that attended the informational meeting held at the Emergency Operations Center. The meeting was held to discuss the Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) due to the Coronavirus. He stressed that Lake County has not had any cases diagnosed to date, that we are very prepared and provided several details of discussions. Commissioner Hamercheck stated that the meeting was not a public meeting and Lake County is in very good hands to keep them safe.

FINANCE – none.

CLERK –Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, stated that the next Commissioners Meeting will be held on Thursday, March 12, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. There will be 3 LakeTran Board appointments expiring in May and anyone interested should contact her.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS: - none.

NEW BUSINESS: - none.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. Ms. Ellen Foley Kessler of Concord Township, thanked the Board for her appointment to the Lakeland Community College Board. She read a prepared statement discussing her and her family’s history with Lakeland and Lake County. Mr. John Muzik of 45 Coventry Drive in Painesville Township, asked where the secured parking lot will be located. Mr. Boyd responded he prefers not to say for security purposes.

Commissioner Hamercheck stated that the next Commissioners Meeting will be held on Thursday, March 12, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Young, the Board convened an Executive Session at 11:06 a.m.to discuss Personnel-Discipline, with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Young, and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

The Lake County Board of Commissioners adjourned to Executive Session at 11:15 a.m.

ADJOURN: On a motion by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Cirino, the Board adjourned the meeting at 12:23 p.m. with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Young, and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

Minutes approved this twenty-fourth day of March, 2020.

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