

MARCH 12, 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 2020-0312)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Hamercheck called the Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 12, 2020.

Commissioner Hamercheck asked for a moment of silence in honor of the passing Commissioner Young's wife of 57 years, Kathy Young.

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. No one present wished to address the Board at this time.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE STATE FUNDS EXCHANGE AGREEMENT WITH THE DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION OF THE STATE OF OHIO FOR THE LAK-MARKELL ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT (PID 102069) (20200312\E01)(E-3)

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Young. Engineer, Mr. Gills, explained that this is part of the State funds exchange agreement. He stated that the total project is \$1,871,707.20 of which \$1,583,740.25 will be funded by the State and the County's match will be \$124,277.20. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Young, and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

2. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR ROADWAY MATERIALS – 2020 FOR THE LAKE COUNTY ENGINEER'S ROAD DEPARTMENT, LCE PROJECT NO. 2020-002 (BID OPENING: April 1, 2020)(20200312\E02)(E-2)

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Young. Engineer, Mr. Gills stated that this is an annual requirement for materials for pothole repair and any other miscellaneous County road repairs. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Young, and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

3. RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONSTRUCTION SURETY FOR QUAIL HOLLOW NO. 10 PHASE 1A SUBDIVISION, CONCORD TOWNSHIP (20200312\E03)(SD-433)

On a motion by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Cirino. Planning and Community Director, Mr. David Radachy, explained that this surety is based on the subdivision regulations and will permit the developer to post money for completion of the improvements for the subdivision, guarantee the remaining improvements will be completed and allow the developer to file the plat. Mr. Radachy added that the resolution pertaining to the plat is item #9 on today's agenda. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Young, and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

4. RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$12,000,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOTES, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, TO PAY COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING, RECONSTRUCTING, PAVING AND OTHERWISE IMPROVING ROAD IMPROVEMENTS IN THE COUNTY, INCLUDING RELATED IMPROVEMENTS AND ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO(20200312\E04)(E-13)

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Young. Budget Director, Mr. Michael Matas, stated that he has been working with County Engineer, Mr. Gills, the past couple of years concerning road improvements throughout the County. This program is possible through the additional \$5.00 that was previously approved by the Board. This resolution pertains to the issuance of two previous note issuances issued to the Engineers Office last year totaling \$6.4 million (\$600,000 from 2018 and \$5.8 million from 2019) due in the early part of April, 2020. Mr. Gills estimates the cost of the projects planned for 2020 will be approximately \$7 million (with approximately \$400,000 to be paid by Perry and North Perry). The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Young, and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

5. RESOLUTION CERTIFYING UNPAID SEWER AND WATER SUMS AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES TO THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR (20200312\U01)(UT-7)

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.

6. RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT MARCH 20, 2020 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$561,687.19(20200312\JFS01)(JFS-14)

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.

7. RESOLUTION APPOINTING AMY L. COSSICK TO THE LAKE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION TO COMPLETE AN UNEXPIRED TERM ENDING AUGUST 14, 2020 (20200312\C01)(B-34)

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

8. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE LAKE COUNTY OHIO PORT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING A SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MANNIK SMITH GROUP (MSG) FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR DESIGN-BUILD AND OPERATION SERVICES OF A DREDGED MATERIALS REUSE FACILITY (20200312\C02)(209g)

On a motion by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Cirino. Lake County Port Authority Director of Coastal Development, Mr. Peter Zahirsky, was present and explained that the State of Ohio is prioritizing beneficial reuse of material dredged from its commercial harbors as opposed to disposal out in Lake Erie. Rather than treating this material as waste, the State hopes to see the rock, sand, gravel, mud and clay that is removed from the bottom of shipping channels monetized to generate economic activity. He stated that according to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, maritime activity on the Grand River generates approximately \$137.4 million in business revenue annually. Mr. Zahirsky stated that the Port Authority is requesting an allocation from the Lakeshore Improvement Fund to pay for the development of a request for proposals to identify a qualified entity or entities to design, build, and operate a dredge material beneficial reuse facility. Commissioner Hamercheck asked Mr. Zahirsky if the Port was in the position to take on a project such as this. Mr. Zahirsky replied that they were. Commissioner Hamercheck and Mr. Zahirsky discussed what types of materials would be economically beneficial. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Young, and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

9. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL DEDICATION PLAT FOR QUAIL HOLLOW SUBDIVISION NO. 10 PHASE 1A IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP (20200312\C03)(SD-433)

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 APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,742,543.65 (20200312\BC01)(C-4)

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

11. RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$748,842.50 (20200312\BC02)(C-17)

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.

12. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20200312\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.

13. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING AN APPROPRIATION WITHIN VARIOUS NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20200312\BC04)(C-111)

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.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES – none.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – Mr. Matthew Battiato updated the Board on several phone conferences that he has had with Ohio Department of Job and Family Services regarding the Coronavirus and how they plan to continue operations of their very important programs while protecting both his staff of 200 and the many clients that come in to their offices.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – none.

FINANCE – none.

CLERK –Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, stated that the next Commissioners Meeting will be held on Thursday, March 19, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. She reminded everyone that Election Day is next Tuesday, March 17th.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS: - none.

NEW BUSINESS: - Commissioner Cirino stated that he asked Board of Elections Director, Mr. Ross McDonald, and Deputy Director, Ms. Jan Clair, to update the Board on the upcoming Election. He thanked them for coming on short notice during this very busy time. Mr. McDonald thanked the Board for the invitation. He stressed that there have not been any changes to polling locations, explaining that none of the locations are in senior centers. He stated that they have experienced a dramatic uptick in early voting. The Board had 400+ voters just yesterday with only 230

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prior. Mr. McDonald reassured the public that the Board of Elections and poll-workers will be taking extra sanitizing steps between each and every voter and he explained the steps the poll workers would be taking with the equipment. They took many proactive steps several weeks ago to ensure the safety of the voters. Mr. McDonald also encouraged all voters to bring their own sanitizer and wipes. He also encouraged absentee voters to utilize the drop box located on the side of the building. He stated that they have been in constant contact with the Secretary of State. Ms. Clair stated that they are in desperate need of poll workers and at this time they have a shortage. She stated that they will train the poll workers. Mr. McDonald reviewed the Board of Elections additional office hours and said that Lake County voters can cast their vote up until Monday, March 16th at 2:00 P.M.

Commissioner Hamercheck stated that he attended a meeting between the Lake County General Health District and Mayors and Managers for a discussion on the Coronavirus. He stressed the importance of getting the facts and truth out to the public, how we must all be diligent in washing our hands and in disinfecting surfaces. He addressed Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger, confirming that all systems are and will continue to run normally. Mr. Rothlisberger stated that was correct and they have a contingency plan in place that will cause no disruption in service.

Commissioner Hamercheck stated that the public should be confident that Lake County continues to prepare for whatever situations may arise from the coronavirus.

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Commissioner Hamercheck stated that the next Commissioners Meeting will be held on Thursday, March 19, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

ADJOURN: On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Young, the Board adjourned the meeting at 10:28 a.m. with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Young, and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

Minutes approved this ninth day of April, 2020.

BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JOHN R. HAMERCHECK, PRESIDENT

RON YOUNG, VICE PRESIDENT

JERRY C. CIRINO, COMMISSIONER

JENNIFER BELL, CLERK