

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

JUDY MORAN, PRESIDENT	JASON W. BOYD, ADMINISTRATOR
DANIEL P. TROY, VICE PRESIDENT	LEGAL COUNSEL
KEVIN D. MALECEK, COMMISSIONER	MIKE MATAS, BUDGET DIRECTOR
JENNIFER BELL, CLERK	NEWS MEDIA

(Tape 2016-0211)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Moran called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m., February 11, 2016.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Upon a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Malecek, the minutes of the regular meeting of February 4, 2016 were approved as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Moran, Troy and Malecek "NAYS": None

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Commissioner Moran asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. Mrs. Jean Brush of Paradise in Painesville Township stated it is her understanding that the County plans to close all of the Senior Centers in the County but three and questioned why this would be happening. She stated that senior citizens have paid taxes all their working lives, and they continue to pay taxes. Seniors are in the stage of their lives that socialization is very important to them.

Commissioner Troy stated Lake County is the smallest County in the state and there are ten senior centers in the County. He asked Mrs. Brush where she had heard this information as there is a lot of misinformation out in the public and online. County Administrator Jason Boyd explained the Commissioners, via the Senior Advisory Panel recently completed a comprehensive study of the needs of the seniors of Lake Count. The study focused on the membership trends, locations of the seniors citizens and the fiscal realities of the Senior Levy Fund, which generates approximately \$2.5 million to \$2.8 million annually to the Senior Centers throughout the County. Another component was studying the senior citizens that utilize the centers and those who do not. Mr. Boyd invited Mrs. Brush to make an appointment with him to review the study in more detail.

The study gave general recommendations as to where the County can provide the most services and does not make recommendations to close any of the senior centers. Commissioner Moran reiterated that the report does not give recommendations to close the senior centers and hopes that Mrs. Brush is available to meet with Mr. Boyd to answer her questions and concerns. Mrs. Brush belongs to the Painesville Senior Center and is concerned with the possibility of it closing. Mr. Boyd stated the County did purchase the building the Painesville Senior Center is housed in and the County has given them approximately one year to find a suitable location. He added that this was part of a mutual agreement between the County and the Center for the sale of the building. He explained that the Painesville Senior Center is the only non-profit center in the jurisdiction and it does receive a portion of the Levy Funds. Commissioner Malecek recently met with Ms. Powell, Director of the Painesville Senior Center, to assist in finding them a new location for the Center. He stated he agrees with the information Mrs. Brush outlined. The needs of the population are only going to increase over the next ten to fifteen years with the aging population. Commissioner Troy explained his concern with information from the internet because there is so much misinformation out there and it is not fair to the Board of Commissioners or the residents of Lake County. He stated the County approached the Painesville Senior Center about purchasing the building, and the Center accepted an offer and a mutually agreeable purchase agreement was executed.

Commissioner Troy explained the creation of the Senior Advisory Panel was to study not only the Senior Centers throughout the County but to take a look at all services offered to seniors including RSVP of Lake County and the Council on Aging. There are significant needs to be considered such as healthcare, isolation and adult protective services. Commissioner Troy stated he is aware and understands the needs as he is a senior citizen himself and his mother is in a nursing home. The goal of the Board of Commissioners is to make sure the current and future needs of the seniors of Lake County are addressed properly.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 WITH JACK GIBSON CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR AQUARIUS WATER TREATMENT PLANT FILTRATION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO 352-W DECREASING THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT BY \$66,452.71(20160211\U01\UT-4)

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

2. RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL ESTIMATE NO. 12R IN THE AMOUNT OF \$76,093.12 WITH JACK GIBSON CONSTRUCTION CO. AND ACCEPTING A THREE YEAR MAINTENANCE BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$169,547.72 FOR AQUARIUS WATER TREATMENT PLANT FILTRATION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO 352-W(20160211\U02\UT-4)

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

3. RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$294,654.80 FOR SANITARY SEWERS FOR NEWELL CREEK SUBDIVISION-PHASE 12C, JOB NO. 15-54, IN THE CITY OF MENTOR(20160211\U03\UT-9)

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

4. RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$570,375.17 FOR AUBURN-CRILE CONNECTOR SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP (JOB NO. 16-02) FOR THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES AND AUTHORIZING CONSTRUCTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH O.R.C. 307.73(20160211\U04\UT-9)

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

5. RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$346,979.74 FOR A WATERLINE EXTENSION FOR AUBURN-CRILE ROAD CONNECTOR (JOB 16-03) IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP(20160211\U05\UT-9)

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

6. RESOLUTION CERTIFYING UNPAID SEWER AND WATER SUMS TO THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR(20160211\U06\UT-7)

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

7. RESOLUTION TO DELETE WATER SUMS CERTIFIED TO THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR(20160211\U07\UT-7)

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

8. RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT FEBRUARY 22, 2016, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$453,297.96(20160211\JFS01\JFS-14)

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

9. RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,020,206.10(20160211\BC01)(C-4)

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

10. RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,593,367.08(20160211\BC02)(C-17)

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

11. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20160211\BC03)(C-111)

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

12. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20160211\BC04)(C-111)

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

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Mr. Dan Donaldson of the Soil and Water District explained to the Commissioners that the Lake County Erosion and Sediment Control rules and regulations have been updated. Most of the changes are very minor this year, mostly pertaining to definitions and clarifications. There was one recommended fee increase request. He explained that the recommended changes were presented to the Lake County Prosecutor's Office, the Ohio EPA and the Chagrin River Watershed Partners for their review and input.

UTILITIES - Mr. Rick Martin, stated there have been fewer water main breaks in the month of January as compared to last year and six breaks to date for the month of February.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES - Mr. Matthew Battiato reported that as part of the Governors budget, the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services urges each County to customize their case management for individuals between the ages of sixteen and twenty-four who are receiving cash assistance. They have asked for customized case management in terms of job skills and job searching to try and break the cycle of assistance. They have asked that the County Commissioners designate the local Job and Family Services Department or the Workforce Area as the lead for the program. Mr Battiato stated he is hesitant to ask the Commissioners to make such a designation until further information is provided. Commissioner Troy stated this topic will be discussed

at the upcoming CCAO meeting.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - none

FINANCE - none

CLERK - none

LEGAL - none

OLD BUSINESS: - none

NEW BUSINESS: - none

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

Ms. Becky Lynch of 8040 King Memorial in Mentor. Ms. Lynch stated that she agrees with Mrs. Brush that the concerns for the senior citizens of the County are real. Her facts are based on the reality that the only independently owned senior center may close due to the action of the County Commissioners in purchasing their building. She asked the Commissioners to not only keep the County healthy but also to keep senior citizens' best interest in mind.

Mr. Ken Gauntner, Madison Township Trustee and Chairman of the Senior Levy Advisory Panel stated Mr. Boyd touched on all the issues and concerns regarding the senior citizens of Lake County, and the Senior Advisory Panel is very concerned about the seniors as well. He explained that at no time did the Board speak of shutting down any of the senior centers nor did they speak to the Commissioners about it. Mr. Gauntner invited anyone to attend the Senior meetings, the next meeting is scheduled for March 16th. He feels the Commissioners should be commended for putting this study together to find out what the needs of the seniors are. The Senior Board met with every center in the County to discuss in detail the programs they offer as well as the needs. Mr. Gauntner explained that sometimes the information out there is not always accurate.

Commissioner Moran stated that the next Regular Commissioners' Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 18, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Personnel - Interviews (2) and Collective Bargaining

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Malecek, the Board convened an Executive Session at 10:30 a.m. to discuss Personnel - employment (2) and collective bargaining with the vote as follows:

"AYES": Commissioners: Moran, Troy and Malecek "NAYS": None

The Lake County Board of Commissioners recessed Executive Session at 10:30 a.m.

The Lake County Board of Commissioners reconvened Executive Session at 10:38 a.m.

On a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Malecek, the Board returned to open session at 11:40 a.m., with the vote as follows:"AYES": Commissioners: Moran, Troy and Malecek "NAYS": None

ADJOURN: On a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Malecek, the Board adjourned the meeting at 11:50 a.m., with the vote as follows:

"AYES": Commissioners: Moran, Troy and Malecek "NAYS": None

Minutes approved this eighteenth day of February, 2016

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