

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 2017-0216)

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.

Mr. Arnold Stanko and Mr. Ernest Gant, from AMVETS Post 1971, stated that they are working with Perry High School, Perry High School Alumni Association and several other local agencies in conjunction with the United States of America Vietnam War Commemoration to bring the Vietnam War Moving Wall to Perry between September 20th and 25th, 2017. Mr. Stanko asked for the support of the Lake County Commissioners and announced several upcoming fundraising events that will be hosted. Mr. Stanko thanked Carter Lumber for their donation of material for the project as well as the organizations that have volunteered their time thus far. Commissioner Cirino asked what type of support the AMVETS would like to see the Board offer. Mr. Stanko asked that an announcement be placed on the County website and any other assistance that can be offered to ensure that all of Lake County is aware of the Memorial Wall. Commissioner Troy stated although he did not serve in Vietnam, he is a Vietnam era Veteran himself and he can appreciate the work the AMVETS are investing to bring this memorial wall to Lake County.

Commissioner Cirino thanked Mr. Stanko and Mr. Gant for their hard work and their service to our Country.

County Administrator, Mr. Jason Boyd, and Senior Services Coordinator, Mrs. Alyea Barajas, briefly explained the Senior Collaboration Project and stated there were four applications submitted for the grant and two were chosen. Ms. Barajas introduced the agencies that were awarded funding via the senior levy. The Council on Aging and Beacon Health have teamed up to address in-home mental health work for our senior citizens. Mr. Joe Tomsick from Council on Aging and Mr. Spence Kline from Beacon Health thanked the Board for their support and briefly explained the need for in home mental health and substance abuse treatment for seniors due to stigmas that keep them from seeking care due to physical restrictions that keep them in their homes. Ms. Cristen Kane, Director of RSVP, and Silvia Orsulic-Jeras from the Benjamin Rose Institute (BRI) thanked the Commissioners for helping to address unique senior issues facing the County and said they will be partnering on an Alzheimer's program titled "Music and Memory". Ms. Kane explained that this initiative will train twenty RSVP volunteers in this program and will allow for 100 senior citizens from four geographically located Lake County agencies to obtain iPods for "Music and Memory Therapy". Ms. Kane stated they will launch this program in April, 2017 with the viewing of the movie "Alive Inside" which explains the benefits music provides to dementia patients. Commissioner Troy stated that the Senior Citizen Levy will expire at the end of 2017 with a decision having to be made by August to place it on the ballot. Commissioner Troy asked Ms. Barajas if there were any updates on the levy. Ms. Barajas stated that she and Mr. Boyd have met to discuss and assess the levy and needs of the Lake County senior citizens and hope to have recommendations for the Board in the near future.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. RESOLUTION AWARDING A BID CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$212,348.00 TO WINTERS & LEWIS EXCAVATING, INC. FOR HAWTHORNE WOODS WATERLINE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 380-W(20170216\U01)(UT-4)

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

2. RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$449,207.79 (20170216\BC01)(C-4)

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

3. RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,338,675.24(20170216\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

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES – Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger, reported that to date there have been 30 water main breaks and 7 to date in February. He stated that during the same time period in 2016, there were 40 breaks and he believes that the continued dedication to infrastructure replacement and updating of systems throughout the County can be attributed to the decrease of water main breaks each year.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – none.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – none.

FINANCE – none.

CLERK – none.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS: - none.

NEW BUSINESS: - Commissioner Troy reported that he participated in a CCAO conference call with various Boards of Elections across the state, and the Secretary of State's Office regarding voting machine equipment replacement. He stated they continue to prepare the RFP and will present to potential vendors by March, 2017. Commissioner Troy explained they continue to look to the State for possible funding assistance with the voting machine replacement. The Lake County Board of Elections feels they should be able to get through 2018 without replacement of the voting machines. He stated the Board of Elections is recommending the purchase of poll books and that there will be an 85% reimbursement from the State. Commissioner Troy discussed legislation that has been introduced to possibly cut down the costs of elections by giving the County Board of Elections permissive authority to reduce the number of poll workers at locations that have combined or more precincts and use electronic poll books.

Commissioner Troy reviewed the Medicaid Managed sales tax loss and stated that the last quarter disbursement of 2017 for Lake County will be \$417,800. The County estimated the loss at \$1.7 million a year. It is estimated the County would receive a one-time allotment of approximately \$641,000 in the fall of 2017, thus resulting in an estimated loss in 2018 of \$1.5 million and in 2019 of \$1.7 million.

Commissioner Hamercheck stated he attended a CCAO meeting and that there was discussion regarding a pilot program with OWDA and RCAP that may benefit Lake County with possible funding of infrastructure and economic development projects.

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

Commissioner Cirino stated the next Regular Commissioners' Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 23, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.

ADJOURN: On a motion by Commissioner Hamercheck, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the Board adjourned the meeting at 10:39 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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