

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

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DANIEL P. TROY, COMMISSIONER	MIKE MATAS, BUDGET DIRECTOR
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(Tape 2018-0222)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Hamercheck called the Meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. Thursday, February 22, 2018.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Upon a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck, the minutes of the regular meeting of January 23, 2018 and the worksession of February 7, 2018 were approved as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

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 AUTHORIZING FINAL APPROVAL AND ACCEPTING A COMBINED THREE-YEAR MAINTENANCE BOND FOR CONCORD RIDGE SUBDIVISION PHASE 6, CONCORD TOWNSHIP (20180222\E01)(SD-420)**

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

**2. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FINAL APPROVAL AND ACCEPTING A THREE-YEAR COMBINED MAINTENANCE BOND FOR SUMMERWOOD SUBDIVISION PHASE 3, CONCORD TOWNSHIP (20180222\E02)(SD-413)**

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

**3. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING FUNDS WITHIN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES WATER OPERATING FUND AND PROJECT FUND 595, ROGERS ROAD WATERLINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT 406-W (20180222\U01)(UT-2)**

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

**4. RESOLUTION CERTIFYING UNPAID SEWER AND WATER SUMS AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES TO THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR (20180222\U02)(UT-7)**

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

**5. RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT FEBRUARY 23, 2018, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$565,027.38 (20180222\JFS01)(JFS-14)**

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

**6. RESOLUTION APPOINTING WALTER R. SIEGEL TO THE LAKE COUNTY OHIO PORT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO COMPLETE THE REMAINDER OF A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2020 (20180222\C01)(B-192) TABLED 1/16/18**

No action was taken on this resolution.

**7. RESOLUTION REVISING THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE (20180222\C02)(C-107)**

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

**8. RESOLUTION DESIGNATING RICHARD FIKE, SR., AMY SABATH, AND LINDA WISE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ON THE LAKE COUNTY VISITORS BUREAU BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THREE YEAR TERMS EXPIRING FEBRUARY 21, 2021 (20180222\C03)(C-43)**

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck. Commissioner Cirino explained that these appointments are new a approach being taken by the Visitors Bureau Board based on the enacted by-law changes. Commissioner Troy stated that each of them (the Board of Commissioners) selected a representative to this Board. His choice was Ms. Linda Wise, Ms. Amy Sabath was chosen by Commissioner Cirino and Commissioner Hamercheck's choice was Mr. Richard Fike. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

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**9. RESOLUTION APPOINTING MARK IAFELICE TO THE POSITION OF SUPERINTENDENT OF THE LAKE COUNTY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS DEPARTMENT, EFFECTIVE JUNE 18, 2018 (20180222\C04)(P-7)**

On a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Cirino. County Administrator, Mr. Jason Boyd, explained that there are quite a few Department heads preparing to retire. He has been meeting with Budget Director, Mr. Michael Matas, and Director of Administrative Services, Mr. Joel DiMare, to discuss transition planning. He stated that began with the Buildings and Grounds Department in the summer of 2007. Mr. Iafalice has been an excellent employee and will be an excellent addition to the management team. Buildings and Grounds Superintendent, Mr. Chuck Klco, was present and thanked the Board of Commissioners, the County and his Department for the time he has spent employed by the County. He stated that his last day will be June 15, 2018 and Mr. Iafalice will be a great addition. Mr. Iafalice thanked the Board and the administration for their confidence and he looks forward to taking over this position. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

**10. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR A GAS CHROMATOGRAPH/MASS SPECTROMETER WITH AUTOSAMPLER FOR THE LAKE COUNTY CRIME LABORATORY (OPENING: March 14, 2018) (20180222\C05)(CT-18)**

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck. Lake County Crime Lab crime scene investigator, Mr. David Green, was present and stated that this piece of equipment will be a great addition to the Crime Lab. He explained that it will expedite results for drug cases. Ms. Linda Erdei, Director of the Crime Lab, gave a detailed explanation of the need for this piece of equipment, the safety requirements necessary for employees, and the drastic increase of new analog drugs that are yet to be identified. She added that in the near future they may not be able to replace parts on the current model due to its age. Ms. Erdei stated that they have received a \$130,000 grant from the State Attorney General's Office. Commissioner Troy asked if they would be using grants that are available through the Attorney General's Office and asked if the Lake County Crime Lab shares their findings and information with BCI. Ms. Erdei responded they would be using grant money for this purchase with the possibility of receiving more grants in the future from the Attorney General. She stated that the both the Crime Lab and BCI share their information with all labs across the State. The Board continued to discuss with Mr. Green and Ms. Erdei the opioid epidemic, the new unknown synthetic drugs that the Crime Lab continues to receive, and the potential dangers these unknown drugs pose to their employees. Commissioner Hamercheck and Ms. Erdei discussed the process of touch DNA. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

**11. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$130,000.00 FROM THE OFFICE OF THE OHIO ATTORNEY GENERAL ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY CRIME LABORATORY, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018 (20180222\C06)(CT-18)**

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

**12. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL DEDICATION PLAT FOR CONCORD RIDGE SUBDIVISION PHASE 6 IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP (20180222\C07)(SD-420)**

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

**13. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL DEDICATION PLAT FOR SUMMERWOOD SUBDIVISION PHASE 3 IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP (20180222\C08)(SD-413)**

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

**14. RESOLUTION APPOINTING VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS TO THE LAKE COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE FOR TWO YEAR TERMS ENDING FEBRUARY 21, 2020 (20180222\C09)(B-64)**

On a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Cirino. Commissioner Troy explained that there are very few enterprise zone agreements anymore because they were used to reduce real and tangible personal property taxes. Lubrizol Corporation, located in Painesville Township is one enterprise zone that is still active. The law requires a panel to be in place to periodically review the incentives to ensure they have kept up with the targets of the agreement. Lake County Ohio Port and Economic Development Authority Director of Public Finance and Controller, Mr. Tim Cahill, was present and stated that this resolution appoints three members to the Lake County Port Authority Tax Incentive Review Committee. Mr. Cahill will update the Board after the Panel has met. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

**15. RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,286,289.49(20180222\BC01)(C-4)**

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

**16. RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$985,778.51(20180222\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

**17. RESOLUTION INCREASING AND DECREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20180222\BC03)(C-111)**

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 – none.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – none.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – none.

FINANCE – Budget Director, Mr. Michael Matas, stated that the Outside General Fund Budget resolution will be placed on the March 1<sup>st</sup> agenda at 2:00 P.M. He continues to finalize the General Fund permanent appropriations resolutions and will update the Board on its progress. Commissioner Troy added that the by law states the permanent budget must be adopted by March 31<sup>st</sup>.

CLERK –none.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS: -none.

NEW BUSINESS: - Commissioner Cirino gave an update on the 'Save the Perry Nuclear Power Plant' Rally that was held at Perry High School this past Saturday. He stated that it was attended by Commissioner Troy, approximately 300 people including Perry Power Plant employees, the Mayor and Council. He stated they discussed what would likely occur sometime in the next four to six weeks. Commissioner Cirino and Ottawa County Commissioner Stahl had an opportunity to meet with the CEO and staff of PJM in Philadelphia to discuss PJM's role in the information that will be submitted to FERC. Commissioner Cirino's opinion is that First Energy Solutions (which operates Perry Nuclear and the David Besse Nuclear Plant) will be preparing for a bankruptcy. He explained that the plants should continue to operate in some fashion while the bankruptcy is being handled.

Commissioner Cirino introduced Mr. Bob Schindler from Rubicon Technologies and Mr. Mike Sturdevant of Virtec Enterprises, both businesses are located in Lake County. He stated that they have been awarded a \$25,000 innovation grant from Great Lakes Innovative Development Enterprises to assist them with a project. Mr. Schindler gave a brief overview of Rubicon Technologies newest concept; a night vision system for motorcycles. He stated that they hope to be in production by next year and will be utilizing a number of companies throughout Lake County to build this highly engineered product. Virtec Technologies will handle the final assembly and fulfillment of the project. Mr. Sturdevant also gave an overview of Virtec Technologies and stated that they have recently received certification for medical device production. Commissioner Cirino congratulated them on their grant and wished them well on their project.

Commissioner Troy stated that he attended the rally on Saturday in Perry and understands the frustration that the Perry Nuclear employees are experiencing. He attended the Ohio Energy Conference in Columbus this past week where there was a great presentation by PJM. He had an opportunity to speak with them and they explained that their role is managing a grid for a multi-state area. They are commissioned by Federal law and regulated by FERC to follow a certain process. This process is based on demand and they will go where the power is cheaper. He stated that one thing working against the Perry Nuclear Plant is operational costs, and presently, natural gas fired turbines are complicating the issue. One strong argument to help Perry is to argue to continue to have a diversified source of energy. The biggest concern remains reliability in the future; he was against electric utility deregulation in the state as it was not in the best interest of Lake County. At the time, Lake County had two major generating facilities (the Eastlake facility and Perry Nuclear Power). Commissioner Troy also had an opportunity to speak with Representative Steve Arndt of Ottawa County. Representative Arndt stated that he has not signed onto the ZEN Bill and has indicated that there are a series of steps to work on to attempt to keep the facilities open and operating.

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

Mr. Larry Reichard of 2828 Antioch Road, expressed his disappointment that there has not been a decision made regarding the Port Authority appointment of Mr. Siegel. He asked if there was a target date for this decision. He stated that he has known Mr. Siegel for some time and has been in the business and developed many businesses on the East end of the County for more than 30 years. Mr. Reichard stated he attended the rally regarding the Perry Nuclear Plant and he spoke on several topics of discussions he has had with people throughout the community.

Mr. John Muzic, 45 Coventry Drive in Painesville Township, stated that he had taken a tour of the Crime Lab and offered his support of the Crime Lab Levy.

Commissioner Troy stated that, with the recent tragic events in Florida, he is highly impressed with the young people that are stepping up and expressing their views for public policy changes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On a motion Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Cirino, the Board convened an Executive Session at 10:35 a.m. to discuss Legal – Potential litigation and Personnel – Compensation with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

The Lake County Board of Commissioners adjourned to Executive Session at 10:35 a.m.

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ADJOURN: On a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck, the Board adjourned the meeting at 11:40 a.m., with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

Minutes approved this thirteenth day of March, 2018.

**BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

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JOHN R. HAMERCHECK, PRESIDENT

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JERRY C. CIRINO, COMMISSIONER

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DANIEL P. TROY, COMMISSIONER

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JENNIFER BELL, CLERK