

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

DANIEL P. TROY, PRESIDENT
KEVIN D. MALECEK, COMMISSIONER
JUDY MORAN, COMMISSIONER
AMY ELSZASZ, CLERK

JASON W. BOYD, ADMINISTRATOR
LEGAL COUNSEL
JOEL DIMARE, BUDGET DIRECTOR
NEWS MEDIA

(Tape 2015-0317)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Troy called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m., March 17, 2015.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Upon a motion by Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Malecek, the minutes of the regular meeting the morning of March 9, 2015 were approved as follows:
"AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Malecek and Moran "NAYS": None

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Commissioner Troy asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. No one present wished to address the Board.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR CHEMICALS FOR THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES (Bid Opening: April 8, 2015)(20150317\U01)(UT-8)**

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

2. **RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$992,000.00 FOR PARKWAY BOULEVARD, POPLAR ROAD, ASH ROAD WATERLINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT NO. 362-W AND ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR SAME (Bid Opening: April 15, 2015)(20150317\U02)(UT-8)**

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

3. **RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A THREE YEAR MAINTENANCE SURETY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,850.00 FOR NORTH RIDGE ROAD SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION JOB NO. 14-46 IN PERRY TOWNSHIP(20150317\U03)(UT-22)**

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

4. **RESOLUTION CERTIFYING UNPAID SEWER AND WATER SUMS TO THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR (20150317\U04)(UT-7)**

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

5. **RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT MARCH 23, 2015, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$507,862.11(20150317\JFS01)(JFS-14)**

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

6. **RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$873,454.81 (20150317\BC01)(C-4)**

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

7. **RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,365,614.04 (20150317\BC02)(C-17)**

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

8. **RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20150317\BC03)(C-111)**

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

9. **RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20150317\BC04)(C-111)**

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

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES - Mr. Rick Martin, Executive Director of the Lake County Department of Utilities, reported that last year Utilities and Stormwater worked collaboratively to address water-related concerns in Grand River with wet weather events and make determinations of the probable causes and make recommendations for improved sanitary sewer and storm water operations. Mr. Mark Hutson and Mr. Tim Antos of Burgess & Niple presented some of the findings.

Mr. Mark Hutson stated that Grand River experienced water issues with flooding and they were asked to come in and investigate the situation. They have experience with these types of investigations. The approach that they used was an EPA-approved integrated planning approach to look at water issues that occur in communities, looking at storm water and sanitary sewer systems and knowing that what happens to one system affects the other system. They also had a 3 pronged approach: stormwater system, public sanitary sewer system and the privately-owned sanitary sewer system such as the laterals from the house to the public system.

Mr. Tim Antos explained that they conducted four months of flow monitoring in the area to determine which areas were most reactive to wet weather events. They also went out before and after wet weather events to determine potential problem areas. At the same time flow monitoring was being conducted data was collected from area residents and 200 questionnaires were sent out and out of 70 responses approximately 25 residents indicated they had past wet weather event issues. They were asked to participate in a study to have their lateral inspected, cleaned, video-taped and dye tested and only 13 property owners were willing and that was brought down to 7 people. It is a very small sample size. The study determined that there are roots in the laterals. Smoke testing was also performed and a large number of catch basins were found that probably added to the Inflow and Infiltration issues. The storm sewer system needs to be inspected and cleaned and this was embarked upon with the discovery of a large majority of the pipes being filled with debris. To date, 40% of the storm sewer system was cleaned to date. Manholes in the southern end of the Village were found to have been paved over. The items found in the system are not unusual. In the sanitary system, there were 10 point repairs and on the storm sewer side there were 9 point repairs that need to be made.

Mr. Hudson stated that the Lake County Utilities Department is planning on repairing the system and finishing cleaning and televising the storm sewer system.

Commissioner Troy asked what did the system initially look like. Was it a single trench system?

Mr. Hutson stated that it looks like they were always separate systems.

Commissioner Troy explained that the sanitary system is owned by the County and the storm sewer system is owned by the Village, which is a member of the County's storm water program. It is troubling that residents are not cooperating with the study.

Mr. Hudson stated that it is an individual decision. It is a 3-prong approach and we need the private side because there is 11,000 feet of pipe on the private side and 19,000 feet of pipe on the public side. It is a significant contributing factor to the system.

Mr. Martin stated that one thing that was learned and he thanked Grand River Mayor Conley for his assistance, that there was a thought that if they let us on their property it was going to cost them money.

Commissioner Troy asked if the system is salvageable?

Mr. Hutson stated that the system is in good shape and once the point repairs are completed and it will be placed into regular maintenance by the County and it will be a buttoned up system. The road problems appear to be a private-side issue and this would not address the sinkholes and road problems.

Commissioner Troy stated that anything on the main line is the responsibility of the County and anything on the lateral regardless if it is in the public right-of-way is the responsibility of the homeowner. This information was distributed to all the homeowners a year ago. Some communities authorize access to private laterals. The next step will be to work with the Village to make repairs and perform maintenance.

Commissioner Troy asked about the bid for the switchgear at the GLK Plant?

Mr. Saari stated that the contractor is filling out the contract documents and then a resolution is needed to authorize entering into the agreement.

Commissioner Troy asked if the weather is helping the crews keep up with the breaks.

Mr. Martin stated that the flows are down in the sewer collection system and there are still one or two water breaks occurring each day, mostly because of aging infrastructure, not the weather.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES - Mr. Matt Battiato, Job and Family Services Director, reported that the current Child and Adult Protective Services Administrator turned in her resignation and they went through the process to determine the next Administrator. Mr. Battiato introduced Ms. Lori O'Brien who will be taking over when Teresa Palm moves on in June.

Commissioner Troy congratulated Ms. Lori O'Brien, stating that she has been with Lake County Job & Family Services for 15 years and prior to that she had 10 years experience in Geauga County, so we know that experience will definitely be put to good use in her new position.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - none

FINANCE - Mr. Joel DiMare, Budget Director, stated that Lake County, by percentage basis, has the most Irish-American residents out of any County in the State of Ohio at over 18.7% or 43,000 people.

CLERK - none

LEGAL - none

OLD BUSINESS: - none

NEW BUSINESS: -

Commissioner Troy reported on the indigent defense reimbursement rate issue and that CCAO was trying to get reimbursement up to 50%. A sample resolution of support was received by the County. The CCAO board will meet Friday morning in Columbus, and he will then receive an update on the budget process.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Commissioner Troy asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. No one present wished to address the Board.

The next regular Commissioners Meeting will be Tuesday, March 24, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. in Commissioners' Chambers. There will be a second meeting next week will be held on Thursday, March 26, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

ADJOURN: On a motion of Commissioner Malecek, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the Board adjourned the meeting at 2:40 p.m., with the vote as follows:

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

Minutes approved this twenty-sixth day of March, 2015.

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