

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

DANIEL P. TROY, PRESIDENT
 ROBERT E. AUFULDISH, COMMISSIONER
 JUDY MORAN, COMMISSIONER
 AMY ELSZASZ, CLERK

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

 (Tape 2014-0318)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Troy called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m., March 18, 2014.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Upon a motion by Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Moran, the minutes of the regular meetings of March 11, 2014 and March 13, 2014 were approved as follows:

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

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Commissioner Troy asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board.

Mr. Sam Osborne, 10263 Cherry Hill Drive in Painesville Township, expressed his concerns with the Fair Board's decision to cut trees and he questioned why the surrounding residents were not notified and made part of the decision-making process? He reported that the Fair Board meeting minutes were not available online as public record, and there was no mention of their intentions with the exception of Mr. Boyd, who was notified two days before they began cutting, and he suspects that this was done intentionally. The view from his deck looks like a war zone with piles of debris and brush five feet high. He requested that someone take a look at the property and ask that the Fair Board clean it up because it is an eyesore and they have to be responsible to the community. By contract, they were not supposed to cut trees less than 13-inches in diameter but he thinks that this is happening. From Mr. Osborne's perspective it looks like they are clear-cutting.

Commissioner Troy commented that he became aware of the situation on Saturday and said that the Commissioners were not consulted about this plan but the Board of Commissioners does not control the Fair Board. The Commissioners may own the fairgrounds but the Fair Board is, based on court rulings, somehow the sole entity in control of and responsible for the property. He wondered about the purpose of cutting down the trees.

Mr. Osborne stated that it was in response to a number of complaints by neighbors because tree limbs were hanging over fences and posing threats to sheds. It looks to him like they are cutting all 25 acres.

Mr. Aufuldish stated that he spoke to Mr. Richard Parker, President of the Fair Board, who indicated that they were foresting the area and the contractor was following the plan.

Commissioner Moran stated that they have no intention of clearing away the brush because they are leaving the natural habitat. The forestation plan is for old, dead and dying trees. Sometimes when big trees are taken down some smaller one also come down as a matter of course.

Mr. Osborne is concerned about the value of his home because of this project.

Mr. Jason Boyd, County Administrator, stated that in October he spoke with Mr. Osborne over issues with property maintenance and the Fair Board did address the property encroachment issues. Last week, Mr. Parker sent him an email indicating that they would be implementing a timber harvest plan and the rule of thumb is to leave the brush out there. If the Board desires, he can see what can be done.

Commissioner Troy asked if the complaints from neighbors are the reason behind the priority of the forestation program and Mr. Osborne indicated that he thinks maybe they are being targeted.

Commissioner Troy replied that the Commissioners do not appoint the Board Members but they would like to know what is happening. The Commissioners asked that there be more conversation with the Fair Board. He was not sure of the wisdom of leaving the brush or clearing it up and which makes more sense.

Mr. Joe Rinella, 10267 Cherry Hill Drive in Painesville Township, agreed with Mr. Osborne that the woods now look like a war zone and he is concerned about the dampness and attracting mosquitoes into the area because of standing water. He also stated that the Fair Board should have posted something in their minutes about the upcoming project.

Mr. Osborne stated the initial conversation took place in early winter to assess the woods and develop a maintenance program.

Mr. Boyd replied the question was whether or not drainage and soil erosion taken into account? This maintenance program should have created a minimal disturbance according the email. The Commissioners agreed that they would like to see the plan.

RESOLUTIONS:

- 1. RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,000,000.00 FOR AQUARIUS WATER TREATMENT PLANT FILTRATION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 352-W AND ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR SAME (Bid Opening: April 16, 2014)(20140318\U01)(UT-8)**

On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish.

Mr. Rick Martin, Executive Director of the Department of Utilities, explained that this is the first replacement of media for higher rating media that will be able to handle more flow. Since 1985, nothing has been replaced. The filter bottoms will be replaced. It is a complete rehabilitation on six filters. This is the last area of filtering at the plant before the water is sent out to customers. It is the final polishing of the water. The new filter bottoms will be plastic and will last longer.

The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Aufuldish and Moran "NAYS": None

- 2. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF ASSIGNMENT OF SANITARY SEWER EASEMENTS FOR TEMPLEVIEW SUBDIVISION IN KIRTLAND (20140318\U02)(UT-11)**

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

- 3. RESOLUTION CERTIFYING UNPAID SEWER AND WATER SUMS TO THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR (20140318\U03)(UT-7)**

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

- 4. RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS**

DATE OF WARRANT MARCH 24, 2014, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$397,909.01 (20140318\JFS01)(JFS-14)

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

5. RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$773,483.83 (20140318\BC01)(C-4)

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

6. RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$623,561.27(20140318\BC02)(C-17)

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

7. RESOLUTION INCREASING AND DECREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20140318\BC03)(C-111)

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

8. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20140318\BC04) (C-111)

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

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES - none

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES - none

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR -Mr. Jason Boyd, County Administrator, reported the mayor of Fairport and the EMA Director, Larry Greene, will be bringing an ice breaker from the Canadian Coast Guard into the river this week.

FINANCE - none

CLERK - none

LEGAL - none

OLD BUSINESS: - none

NEW BUSINESS: - Commissioner Troy reported that the next County Commissioners Association Meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 21, 2014 and they will take up a motion to endorse State Issue 1, which would re-authorize the former Issue 2 Program for an additional 10 years, and that it will be on the statewide ballot in May. This issue re-authorizes the State Capital Improvement Program to allow local integrating committees to determine where the dollars will go, and a local resolution will be placed on an upcoming agenda asking the public to support this issue.

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

Commissioner Troy reported the next Commissioner Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 27, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- Personnel - Pending Litigation
- Real Estate -Property Disposition

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the Board convened an Executive Session at 2:28 p.m. to discuss a real estate matter relating to property disposition and pending litigation, with the vote as follows:
"AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Aufuldish and Moran "NAYS": None

The Lake County Board of Commissioners recessed Executive Session at 2:29 p.m.
The Lake County Board of Commissioners reconvened Executive Session at 2:36 p.m.

On a motion of Commissioner Moran seconded by Commissioner Troy, the Board terminated the Executive Session at 3:25 p.m., with the vote as follows:
"AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Moran and Troy "NAYS": None

ADJOURN: On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the Board adjourned the meeting at 3:26 p.m., with the vote as follows:
"AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Aufuldish and Moran "NAYS": None

Minutes approved this twenty-seventh day of March, 2014.

BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ROBERT E. AUFULDISH, COMMISSIONER

AMY ELSZASZ, CLERK