

APRIL 11, 2019

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

JERRY C. CIRINO, COMMISSIONER
JOHN R HAMERCHECK, COMMISSIONER
RON YOUNG, COMMISSIONER
JENNIFER BELL, CLERK

JASON W. BOYD, ADMINISTRATOR
LEGAL COUNSEL
MIKE MATAS, BUDGET DIRECTOR
NEWS MEDIA

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(Tape 2019-0411)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Cirino called the Meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. Thursday, April 11, 2019.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon a motion by Commissioner Hamercheck, seconded by Commissioner Young, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 14, 2019, Regular Meeting, March 14, 2019, Budget Meeting and Regular Meeting March 21, 2019, were approved as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Young "NAYS": None

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

Ms. Elfie Roman, Superintendent of the Lake County Board of Developmental Disabilities, was present and stated how proud everyone is of the Deepwood Dancers dance team that traveled to the 2019 Special Olympics World Games which were hosted in Abu Dhabi. Ms. Roman introduced Coach Tana Habat. Ms. Habat thanked the Board for their support of the dance team, introduced the team and gave a brief background on each participant. The talented individuals were: Camryn Byrne, Anthony (Tony) Cervella, Lani Engel, Kathy Habat, Kelleen (Kelly) Kinnaird, Sheryl Kintop, Charles (Charlie) Schulz, Jr. and Michael (Mike) Sukalac. She stated that there were more than 7,500 athletes representing 170 countries in 24 sports. The Deepwood Dancers won one Gold Medal and two Silver Medals. The Board presented the participants with special certificates and look forward to judging the upcoming Deepwood Idol.

New County Auditor, Mr. Christopher Galloway, introduced himself and stated that he looks forward to working with the Board Commissioners and all of the County Departments.

County Engineer, Mr. Jim Gills, was present and explained the transportation bill passed with the inclusion of a gas tax increase. He provided the Board with a handout, explained the details of the gas tax and provided the breakdown:

10.5 cents/gallon for regular gas, 19 cents/gallon for diesel, \$200/year for electric cars and \$100/year for hybrid vehicles. Mr. Gills stated this increase will be very helpful for their budget and no money will be received until October, 2019. He also reviewed several projects that they will be able to do thanks to this additional funding opportunity. County Auditor, Mr. Galloway, stated that in the near future, his office will be placing stickers on the gas pumps throughout the County reflecting the new gas tax. He will keep the Board updated once more information

is received. Mr. Brian Massie, 8196 Rainbow Drive in Painesville, gave a detailed report on several items that he has been working on which included RSVP, Lifeline, and LakeTran. He also discussed his group's displeasure with the Port Authority's Project, (the Better Flip) and their use of non-registered contractors. He stated that they have made a report with the State. He also questioned why the Treasurer's Office contracts out of Lake County for delinquent tax collections He stated that he would be meeting with Treasurer Fende for further discussion.

Mr. David Lima of Mentor expressed his displeasure that the State has passed a gas tax. He feels the State is headed in the wrong direction by penalizing the owners of energy efficient vehicles with extra charges to their annual licensing fees.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FINAL APPROVAL AND ACCEPTING A THREE-YEAR MAINTENANCE BOND FOR QUAIL HOLLOW NO. 11 SUBDIVISION PHASES 1 AND 2 IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP (20190411\E01)(SD-431)

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck. Mr. Gills stated that this is the final wrap up of the project. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Young "NAYS": None

2. RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT APRIL 19, 2019, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$566,916.60 (20190411\JF501)(JFS-14)

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 Young "NAYS": None

3. RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING DONNA P. MCNAMEE TO THE LAKETRAN BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THREE YEAR TERMS EXPIRING MAY 15, 2022 (20190411\C01)(B-37)

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

4. RESOLUTION APPOINTING DAVID ANDERSON TO THE LAKETRAN BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR A THREE YEAR TERM EXPIRING MAY 15, 2022 (20190411\C02)(B-37)

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

5. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE-CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION, AND STEPHEN CAMPBELL & ASSOCIATES TO UPGRADE CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS NICE INFORM ESSENTIAL 5 TO PROFESSIONAL WITH INFORM 9 WITH A SERVER (20190411\C03)(CT-10)

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck. Captain Mike Warner of the Sheriff's Department was present and explained that the current voice/recording system is outdated and has begun to fail. He thanked Telecommunications Director, Paul Stefanko, for his hard work and assistance in finding the most efficient upgrade. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Young "NAYS": None

6. RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION AND APPROVING THE CONTINUATION OF ENTERPRISE ZONE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LUBRIZOL CORPORATION AND PAINESVILLE TOWNSHIP (20190411\C04)(C-93)

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

7. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION FROM LAKE COUNTY OHIO PORT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND APPROVING THE CONTRACT FOR A LAKESHORE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN MENTOR-ON-THE-LAKE, OHIO AND MENTOR, OHIO(20190411\C05)(209g)

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

8. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES-DIVISION OF WATERCRAFT TO OBTAIN MATCHING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,554.05 FOR MARINE PATROL FOR THE YEAR 2019(20190411\C06)(CT-10)

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

9. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL DEDICATION PLAT FOR QUAIL HOLLOW NO. 11 SUBDIVISION PHASES 1 AND 2 IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP (20190411\C07)(SD-431)(PG-177)

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

10. RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,366,157.59(20190411\BC01)(C-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 Young "NAYS": None

11. RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,926,500.25(20190411\BC02)(C-17)

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

12. RESOLUTION INCREASING AN APPROPRIATION FOR A NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT(20190411\BC03)(C-111)

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 Young "NAYS": None

13. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20190411\BC04)(C-111)

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 Young "NAYS": None

14. RESOLUTION DECLARING APRIL 15 THROUGH MAY 31, 2019 CLEAN AND GREEN LAKE COUNTY(20190411\F01)(C-126)

On a motion by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck. Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger, stated that celebrating Clean and Green Lake County spotlights and encourages residents to reduce, reuse and recycle. He stated that there will be an electronics collection on Saturday, April 27th and he reviewed several upcoming Special Collections with expanded hours. More information can be found on the Utilities Department website. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Young "NAYS": None

15. RESOLUTION DECLARING APRIL 2019 FAIR HOUSING MONTH IN LAKE COUNTY, OHIO (20190411\F02)(C-126)

On a motion by Commissioner Hamercheck, seconded by Commissioner Young. Home Program Coordinator, Ms. Marian Norman, was present and thanked the Board for recognizing Fair Housing Month. She explained that all levels of government will celebrate Fair Housing Month and she listed several events and programs that are available. She stated that more information can be found on the website. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Young "NAYS": None

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES – none.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES –none.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR –Mr. Jason Boyd stated that an engineering and consulting firm began the first phase of the interior study of the Sheriff's Office and Jail facility. This phase includes electrical, mechanical and plumbing. The consultant will also perform an operational study.

FINANCE – none.

CLERK –Commissioners Clerk, Jennifer Bell reported that the next regular Commissioner's Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 18, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS: - none.

NEW BUSINESS: Commissioner Hamercheck reported that a vegetable packaging wholesaler will be opening in Willoughby Hills. This facility will run 24/7 and bring approximately 300 new jobs to the city. The City of Willoughby Hills worked in conjunction with the Port Authority and JobsOhio to bring this packaging facility to their city.

On behalf of the Board of Commissioners, Commissioner Hamercheck offered condolences to former Lake County Commissioner Ray Sines and his family on the passing of his mother.

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

Ms. Ellen Chamberlin of Willoughby, addressed Commissioner Cirino and his work with the state legislature on the Perry Nuclear Power Plant. She asked for further information on what considerations are being asked for from the State.

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Commissioner Cirino explained that the House Bill is still in its draft stages, he has not seen a copy of it yet and it is his understanding that it will have a minimal impact on ratepayers and businesses. He stated that this Bill is being presented to reward and promote clean energy generation, including alternative sources. He has been invited to testify in Columbus in support of this Bill. It is not too different from the Zen Bill, which was designed specifically for nuclear and coal plants. Ms. Chamberlin asked what efforts are being made to address the issues regarding First Energy's bankruptcy to close the nuclear plants. Commissioner Cirino responded that First Energy Solutions filed a restructuring, reorganization bankruptcy. When any changes or plans are made, they are required to go before the bankruptcy Judge and it is not unusual for the Judge to challenge these submittals. Commissioner Hamercheck stated that Lake County has a carbon footprint and the Federal Government will never relax the air quality standards. NOACA has an Air Quality Committee that is required to make sure that the County is compliant. As more industry comes into the County, it will impact our carbon footprint. The nuclear power plants are major contributors to our zero carbon. The CCAO JEDI Committee added nuclear and clean coal to clean energy and the legislation carrying forward keeps clean energy incentives in Ohio. He is looking at this from an environmental and business perspective. We need to maintain the businesses we have and remain business friendly to encourage relocation to Ohio. Commissioner Young explained that the State also has requirements that are imposed. Stating we must meet the clean air standards by 2027. Over 90% of the clean energy produced is due to the nuclear plants. It is critical to keep the Davis-Besse and Perry Nuclear Plants operating.

Mr. John Muzik, 45 Coventry Drive, Painesville, stated that the number of people applying for assistance in Lake County continues to rise. He spoke of higher taxes and how they affect senior citizens, children's services, and those on fixed incomes. Mr. Muzik asked that the Board continue to be good stewards of the taxpayer's money. Commissioner Hamercheck explained that there are statutory requirements that must be met by Jobs and Family Services. He complimented Mr. Battiato for effectiveness and efficiency regarding the work they do. Their numbers continue to grow while maintaining the same number of staff. Mr. Boyd discussed several senior programs that were identified in the Senior Study, including Adult Protective Services, housing repair programs, transportation services for seniors to and from their senior centers, and non-essential in-home care.

Mr. David Lima of Mentor complimented the Fair Housing Resource Center for the work they are doing with a minimum number of staff and a very high workload. They are financially very efficient and are truly dedicated to preventing any type of discrimination.

Commissioner Cirino stated that the next regular Commissioner's Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 18, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On a motion by Commissioner Hamercheck, seconded by Commissioner Cirino, the Board convened an Executive Session at 10:50 a.m. to Legal Matters – pending or imminent court action with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Young "NAYS": None

ADJOURN:

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck, the Board adjourned the meeting at 11:21 a.m. with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Young "NAYS": None

Minutes approved this thirteenth day of June, 2019.

BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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