

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

JERRY C. CIRINO, COMMISSIONER JASON W. BOYD, ADMINISTRATOR
JOHN R HAMERCHECK, COMMISSIONER LEGAL COUNSEL
DANIEL P. TROY, COMMISSIONER MIKE MATAS, BUDGET DIRECTOR
JENNIFER BELL, CLERK NEWS MEDIA

(Tape 2017-0511)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Cirino called the Meeting to order at 10:07 a.m. Thursday, May 11, 2017.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Upon a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Cirino, the minutes of the regular meetings of April 20, 2017 and April 25, 2017 were approved as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

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

Mr. David Lima of 7774 Litchfield Drive in Mentor, referred to the meeting of May 4, 2017 and the discussion on additional funding for the Lake County Crime Lab. Mr. Lima shared a detailed data report from the FBI regarding the drop in violent crime over the past 25 years, the increased number of immigrants, and incarceration statistics. Mr. Lima discussed his opinion on the Crime Lab's request for a levy and does not feel the Board of Commissioners should approve such a request.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,363.25 FOR RURAL ROAD WATERLINE EXTENSION IN THE CITY OF EASTLAKE (JOB NO.16-53) FOR THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES AND AUTHORIZING CONSTRUCTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH O.R.C. 307.73(20170511\U01)(UT-9)

On a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Cirino. Commissioner Troy asked if this waterline project was being privately funded. Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger, stated the property owners had requested the extension and it is being paid for by the property owners. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

2. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE RECOMMENDATION OF PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER IVAN VALENTIC TO DESIGNATE GERARD MORGAN AS HIS ALTERNATE(20170511\C01)(B-34)

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 AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE OHIO PATROLMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION- NON-DEPUTIZED DISPATCHER SERGEANTS AND NON- DEPUTIZED DISPATCHER LIEUTENANTS, EXPIRING MARCH 31, 2020(20170511\C02)(301c)

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck. Commissioner Cirino stated that this and the following three resolutions pertain to various Sheriff's Departments bargaining units. County Administrator, Mr. Jason Boyd, explained that he, Budget Director Mr. Michael Matas, Director of Administrative Services, Mr. Joel DiMare and Chief Leonbruno, of the Lake County Sheriff's Department have been working collectively toward successful contract negotiations for several of the bargaining units. Chief Leonbruno stated that they have worked hard toward achieving a simplified contract and over the past six years have worked toward a more unified contract for all bargaining units. Mr. Joel DiMare added that the Sheriff's Office is the largest employing organization within the General Fund and everyone involved has worked hard to achieve successful negotiations. Chief Leonbruno updated the Commissioners on several details of the contracts and added that there are still several more contract negotiations to complete. Commissioner Troy stated for clarification that basically the only contract changes would be to compensation. Chief Leonbruno added that there were subtle changes to terminology. Commissioner Troy stated that he was a Commissioner when times were extremely hard and the Board appreciated how well the Sheriff's Department worked through those tough times. Commissioner Troy thanked Chief Leonbruno and the Sheriff's Office for always working well with the Board. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

4. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE OHIO PATROLMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION- NON-DEPUTIZED DISPATCHERS EXPIRING MARCH 31, 2020 (20170511\C03)(301c)

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 AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF EMPLOYEE ASSOCIATION DEPUTIZED LIEUTENANTS AND COURT LIEUTENANTS EXPIRING MARCH 31, 2020 (20170511\C04)(301c)

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

6. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE OHIO PATROLMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION- DEPUTIZED SERGEANTS AND COURT SERGEANTS EXPIRING MARCH 31, 2020 (20170511\C05)(301c)

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

7. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND A. M. HIGLEY (AMH) FOR THE ABATEMENT

**OF 85 N. PARK PLACE FOR THE LAKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER EXPANSION AND RENOVATION PROJECT  
(201706511\CO6)(207m)**

On a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck. Mr. Jason Boyd explained that this is the first GMP (Guaranteed Maximum Price) project for asbestos abatement at the former Painesville Senior Center. He reminded the Board that AM Higley, is serving as the Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) for this project along with Burgess and Niple as the design architect engineer. This resolution authorizes the execution of an agreement and the abatement will begin next week and take two to four weeks to complete. Mr. Boyd explained all contracts have been reviewed and approved by the Prosecutor's office and Budget Director. Mr. Boyd stated a subsequent GMP for demolition of the building will follow. Commissioner Troy stated that with the age of the building, it can be assumed there is a significant amount of asbestos. Mr. Boyd responded that an environmental firm had identified all the issues early on in the project. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

**8. RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,525,661.34(20170511\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 Troy "NAYS": None

**9. RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$385,107.78(20170511\BC02)(C-17)**

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

**10. RESOLUTION INCREASING AND DECREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20170511\BC03)(C-111)**

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

**11. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20170511\BC04)(C-111)**

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

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

UTILITIES – Public Service Coordinator, David Schick, reported that 439 vehicles were served and a total of 2,971 tires were collected and thanked the Commissioners for their continued support of the special collections throughout the year. Commissioner Cirino asked how the tires will be recycled. Mr. Schick responded that the tires will be taken to a contractor and be shredded into rubber mulch. Commissioner Troy asked if tires still end up coming into the landfill. Mr. Schick responded that if tires are brought in, they are pulled, sent out for recycling, and are not placed into the active phase of the landfill.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – none.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – none.

FINANCE – none.

CLERK – The Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, stated the Commissioners have a work session scheduled for today, May 11, 2017 at 2:00 P.M. in the 5<sup>th</sup> floor conference room for discussion and review of Capital Projects.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS: - none.

NEW BUSINESS: - Commissioner Troy reported that Deepwood Developmental Disabilities Board member, Ms. Joan Spring passed away. Commissioner Troy stated that Ms. Spring was recently appointed to her second term, had been a very big contributor to the Deepwood Board, and was also very involved in local food banks.

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

Mr. John Muzik of 45 Coventry Drive in Painesville Township, thanked Chief Leonbruno and all those who serve to protect the citizens for their hard work and dedication.

Ms. Ellen Chamberlin of Eagle Road in Kirtland, referred to Resolution #7 on the agenda and asked if the asbestos abatement removal was being paid for out of the General Fund. Commissioner Troy responded that the asbestos removal is part of the entire cost of the project and funding for it has been set aside. He explained that as the project moves forward, the County will look into the possibility of notes and/or bonds and that in addition to funding from the General Fund, the Utilities Department is a large contributor to the project. He explained that a majority of the County offices will be moved to one location. Commissioner Cirino explained the changes that have occurred regarding the plans of the new facility and discussed departmental needs while ensuring fiscal responsibility to the County. Commissioner Troy explained the process the County has gone through to ensure that the new administration building was the correct decision. He stated that it was a tough decision and housing all the County Departments in one location will be the most cost effective solution in the long run. Commissioner Troy explained that Lake County enjoys the lowest debt service in all of Northeast Ohio and is considerably lower than any other County in the area. Commissioner Cirino stated that the County's Bond rating is next to the highest available. The stable population trend within the County is the only reason the County has not received the highest rating. Ms. Chamberlin asked if the County might have to modify the building project if the federal government cuts funding for programs like CDBG. Commissioner Troy responded that the County would pay down the principal as the project moves along to minimize the amount the County would need to borrow and interest rates are historically low. He added that note costs are at 1-2% and can be carried for five years before bonding would become an issue. Regarding the CDBG/Home Program, Commissioner Troy stated that the Programs receive approximately \$1.7 million from the Federal Government and that Congress approved a continuing resolution for funding at 99%. Commissioner Hamercheck explained that the cost of the building has come in lower

than was expected and the current debt service is approximately 2.3% of the budget annually. He stated that the County has made necessary adjustments to the new administration building project and others projects to maintain the sustainability of the County budget.

Commissioner Cirino stated the next Regular Commissioners' Meetings are scheduled for Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.

ADJOURN: On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck, the Board adjourned the meeting at 10:42 a.m., with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

Minutes approved this fifteenth day of June, 2017.

**BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

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JERRY C. CIRINO, PRESIDENT

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JOHN R. HAMERCHECK, COMMISSIONER

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DANIEL P. TROY, COMMISSIONER

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JENNIFER BELL, CLERK