

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

DANIEL P. TROY, PRESIDENT JASON W. BOYD, ADMINISTRATOR
KEVIN D. MALECEK, COMMISSIONER LEGAL COUNSEL
JUDY MORAN, COMMISSIONER JOEL DIMARE, BUDGET DIRECTOR
JENNIFER BELL, CLERK NEWS MEDIA

(Tape 2015-0804)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Troy called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m., August 4, 2015.

ROLL CALL: Upon the roll being called, all were present. Commissioner Troy asked for a moment of silence for Mr. Jim Brown.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Upon a motion by Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Malecek, the minutes of the regular meeting of July 23, 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. Ms. Arzella Melnyk, 10506 Hobart Road in Kirtland, stated at the last meeting she asked about the matricula consular identification card and submitted an article to the Commissioners that was published in the News-Herald. She read a portion from the article relating to the purpose of the card. It stated that government offices accept the card as well as the police, banks and loan companies. She asked if the resolution could be revisited since more information is available.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING ACCOUNTS WITHIN WATER PROJECT FUND 595 TO BE KNOWN AS BACON ROAD WATER TREATMENT PLANT GENERATOR SYSTEM 379-W (20150804\U01)(UT-2)
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 LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT AUGUST 10, 2015, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$174,863.08(20150804\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

3. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE CITY OF PAINESVILLE, OHIO(20150804\C01)(209-z-31)
On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Malecek. Mr. Jason Boyd, County Administrator, stated that this is the fourth and final parcel on Jackson Street that was purchased for long-range capital planning purposes. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Malecek and Moran "NAYS": None

4. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE OF DOG REGISTRATION FEES IN LAKE COUNTY, COMMENCING DECEMBER 1, 2015 (20150804\C02)(C-110)
On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Malecek. Mr. Rodney Shelton, Dog Warden, stated that he would appreciate the passage of this resolution that would help with funding operations. They have obligations that must be met. There is a three-year permanent registration which will follow after the proposed dog license fee resolution is adopted. The fee is proposed to increase from \$15.00 to \$20.00. This is the first increase since 2003. To soften the blow of the increase, if a registered dog is impounded the impound fee will be waived the first day. All dogs three months and older must be registered in the County and State. The 3-year and permanent registration fees will also be adjusted. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Malecek and Moran "NAYS": None

5. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR A MICRO-X-RAY FLUORESCENCE ANALYZER FOR THE LAKE COUNTY CRIME LABORATORY (BID OPENING: September 2, 2015)(20150804\C03)(CT-18)
On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Malecek. Mr. David Hackman, Legal Counsel, explained that the current x-ray machine is broken and not repairable. This x-ray machine is used often to analyze things like glass fragments from crime scenes. The funds for this equipment comes out of the voter-approved additional 3/10 of a mill levy to cover the operations of the crime lab. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Malecek and Moran "NAYS": None

6. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20150804\BC01)(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

7. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20150804\BC02)(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. Randy Rothlisberger, Sanitary Engineer, reported that Madison Village purchases water from the County and distributes it to their customers, and the agreement expires this September so this is currently being discussed with their Administrator. Once an agreement is reached it will be brought to the Commissioners for review.

Commissioner Troy stated that the County costs for treating the water is covered in the agreement.

Commissioner Moran stated that if Madison Village re-sells the water back to their customers at an increased rate that is possible. She stated that the Village's customers ask why Lake County charges so much for the water, but it is not the County charging that amount.

Mr. Rothlisberger replied that the County sells the water at less than the retail rate. This agreement would still be less than the retail rate and increases to about a ten cents per year. Madison Village is responsible for the distribution pumping, meter reading, and fixing breaks.

Commissioner Troy stated that the County is always open to discussions about adding them to the regional system.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES - none

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - none

FINANCE - none

CLERK - none

LEGAL - none

OLD BUSINESS: - none

NEW BUSINESS: - Commissioner Troy reported that The Secretary of State's office announced Lake County's allocation for e-poll books. Since Lake County has 154,000 active voters, we will receive \$254,520.00 and the County will have to pledge 15% of that amount as a match. This amount falls within the range for the Lake County Elections Board to purchase 200 electronic poll books. He stated that we appreciate the legislature for allocating money for these books.

Commissioner Troy also reported that NOACA annually bestows commuter choice awards to businesses or companies who offer special incentives or programs to employees for environmentally friendly commuting alternatives. The deadline to submit a nomination to NOACA is August 14, 2015.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. John Muzik, 45 Coventry Drive in Painesville Township, asked if the property being purchased on Jackson Street is part of the Sheriff's Department expansion plan?

Commissioner Troy replied that the property on Jackson Street could be somewhere down the road. The County will have to look at a new jail facility.

Mr. Muzik stated that he would also like to see the matricula consular card resolution be reconsidered because it is not just a federal problem but everyone's problem. He recently listened to Congressional testimony that stated that illegal immigrants know if they get here than they will be here forever. He always thought this was a bad resolution and that is crossed a line. The Assistant District Director of the FBI presented information in Congressional Testimony on how unreliable and unverifiable the card is and the Sheriff's Department referred to that testimony. If Lake County is going to stay out of immigration then stay out of it.

Commissioner Troy stated that law enforcement personnel under the Sheriff's Department indicated that they will enforce all the laws and work with the federal government in terms of addressing this issue of illegal immigration. The Sheriff indicated there are confusing methodologies coming from the federal government and Congress needs to pass new immigration laws, unfortunately it has become a political football in Congress. The current laws are difficult to enforce.

Commissioner Troy stated that an article from 2006 referred to by Ms. Melnyk states that banks issue loans and mortgage assistance with the use of the matricula card. He would think that these institutions should probably be more diligent and use a lot better judgement and criteria.

Ms. Becky Lynch, 8040 King Memorial Drive, stated as county-elected officials, the citizens rely on them to advocate on their behalf. The Commissioners are the spokes people for Lake County. She stated that the Prosecutor stated last week that anyone who breaks the law in Lake County will be prosecuted. We do not want them let go by the next government up and we need to let them know how we feel. If we do not scream and yell they will not know that there is a problem.

Commissioner Troy stated that at a recent NACO Board of Director's meeting, it was strongly urged that Congress address this issue and they have presented the impacts this has had on Counties. If there becomes an amnesty program, it will certainly affect human service spending. Currently, the law does not permit the use of tax dollars for JFS benefits for non-citizens. Counties will ask the federal government to continue to address this issue.

Ms. Melnyk stated that if the matricula consular card resolution was revisited it would not be admitting that something was wrong. There is more information available today and it would mean that we all want to do what is best for the County. She asked if it would be so wrong to ask for residents input on this issue at an open meeting because not everyone is able to attend a Commissioner Meeting?

Commissioner Troy stated that Prosecutor Coulson explained at the last meeting, that the resolution meant nothing. Nothing changed in America as the result of the Commissioners passing this resolution and nothing will change in America with the Commissioners revisiting this resolution.

Commissioner Troy stated that Mr. Jim Brown made an indelible impact on Lake County. Mr. Brown was instrumental in the creation of the Lake County Port Authority, and the revitalization of the Lost Nation airport. He was generous with donating car leases for charitable organizations. He did wonderful things philanthropically and for the future of the County. He will be missed.

Commissioner Malecek stated that he was a great business leader and named Business Leader of the Year by the Mentor Chamber of Commerce based on his many accomplishments. Mr. Brown's generosity knew no bounds. Commissioner Moran stated that he was a kind and generous person who always tried to help others in any way he could.

Commissioner Troy stated that a public service for Mr. Jim Brown will be announced at a later date according to his family's wishes.

Commissioner Troy stated that the next regular Commissioners Meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 11, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- Personnel - compensation

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On a motion of Commissioner Moran seconded by Commissioner Malecek, the Board convened an Executive Session at 2:33 p.m. to discuss personnel matters related to compensation with the vote as follows:

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

The Lake County Board of Commissioners recessed Executive Session at 2:33 p.m.

The Lake County Board of Commissioners reconvened Executive Session at 3:14 p.m.

On a motion of Commissioner Moran seconded by Commissioner Malecek, the Board returned to open session at 3:25 p.m., with the vote as follows:

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

ADJOURN: On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Malecek, the Board adjourned the meeting at 3:16 p.m., with the vote as follows:

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

Minutes approved this twentieth day of August, 2015.

BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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