

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 2017-0808)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Cirino called the Meeting to order at 10:20 a.m. Tuesday, August 8, 2017.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Upon a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Cirino. Commissioner Hamercheck requested the minutes of August 3, 2017 be amended in the Departmental Reports: County Administrator Report to include the following statement. "Commissioner Hamercheck stated that the cost of the design elements that will never be built is \$290,000, this was negotiated down from \$365,000 and the original request from the architect which was \$550,000". The amended minutes of the regular meeting of August 3, 2017 were approved as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None. Commissioner Troy added that the minutes are a record of the official activity that takes place, and are not required to list extended statements.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Commissioner Cirino asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. Pastor Evan Nunnally, of 5757 Middle Ridge Road, Madison, stated that he has been a pastor in Lake County for 25 years. He stated that he has attended several meetings involving conversations regarding the Lifeline/2-1-1 funding and the request for the abortion link to be removed. Carrie Dotson, Executive Director of Lifeline, had previously stated it cannot be removed from the website according to AIRS Standards (Alliance of Information and Referral Systems). He said this was not an accurate statement and feels that they simply do not want to remove these links. Pastor Nunnally stated he appreciates the work that they do but they must remove the abortion link.

Ms. Linda Harris of 6131 Center Street, Mentor, expressed her opposition to continuing to provide CDBG funds for 2-1-1 as there are several links to abortion referral services, including Family Planning.

Ms. Connie Mismus, of 208 St. Lawrence, Eastlake, stated she understands everyone's opinion on the Lifeline/2-1-1 link, however they are only offering referral options and not supporting or performing abortions. She explained that she would expect any agency to provide information for counseling and information to assist these women in making the best decision for themselves.

RESOLUTIONS:

**1. RESOLUTION AWARDING A BID CONTRACT TO AERO-MARK, INC. FOR THE LAKE COUNTY ROADS PAVEMENT MARKINGS-2017 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$114,000.00 AS REQUIRED BY THE LAKE COUNTY ENGINEER(20170808\E01)(E-3)**

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

**2. RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING ACCOUNTS WITHIN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES WATER PROJECT FUND 595 TO BE KNOWN AS ROGERS ROAD WATERLINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT 406-W(20170808\U01)(UT-2)**

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 APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$54,604.00 FOR CRILE ROAD SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP (JOB NO. 17-09)(20170808\U02)(UT-9)**

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

**4. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR ONE OFF ROAD DUMP TRUCK FOR THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES –SOLID WASTE DIVISION (BID OPENING: August 30, 2017) (20170808\U03)(UT-8)**

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

**5. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE U.S. COMMUNITIES PROGRAM THROUGH THE CCAO AND EXECUTING A CONTRACT WITH GARLAND/DBS, INC. FOR ROOF REPLACEMENT OF THE AQUARIUS WEST WATER SERVICE CENTER PROJECT 400-W IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$280,193.00(20170808\U04)(UT-4)**

On a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck. Commissioner Troy stated we are very fortunate to be able to take advantage of the U.S. Communities Program. He explained that this program allows the County at times, to save on costs of legal ads and bid specifications. The savings could be between 10% - 15% on this project. Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger, added that it is also a valuable time saver. The foregoing

resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

**6. RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT AUGUST 14, 2017, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$128,508.07(20170808\JFS01)(JFS-14)**

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

**7. RESOLUTION DECLARING THE INTENT OF THE BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO APPROVE THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF BEACH DRIVE IN MADISON TOWNSHIP(20170808\C01)(C-66)**

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

**8. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND CITY OF MENTOR-ON-THE-LAKE FOR THE FY-2016 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS (20170808\C02)(C-46)**

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

**9. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL DEDICATION PLAT FOR THE ESTATES AT KALLAY FARMS SUBDIVISION PHASE 1 IN PAINESVILLE TOWNSHIP (20170808\C03)(SD-422)**

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 APPROVING THE FINAL DEDICATION PLAT FOR LITTLE MOUNTAIN PRESERVE SUBDIVISION IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP (20170808\C04)(SD-417)**

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

**11. RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,422,256.37(20170808\BC01)(C-4)**

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

**12. RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$352,392.68(20170808\BC02)(C-17)**

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

**13. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20170808\BC03)(C-111)**

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

**14. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20170808\BC04)(C-111)**

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

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES –none.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – none.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – none.

FINANCE – none.

CLERK –none.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS: none.

NEW BUSINESS: - Commissioner Troy stated that the Ohio Senate is scheduled to be back in session on Wednesday, August 23, 2017, and they will address some of the veto overrides; one of the most important being the MCO sales tax override. He stated that the Ohio House voted to override the Governor's veto of the MCO budget amendment with a vote of 87-10, and the Senate must follow suit. He encouraged everyone to contact Senators Yuko and Eklund and ask for their support in voting for the override of the Governor's MCO amendment veto. Commissioner Cirino suggested the Clerk place the pertinent information onto the County's website so residents may contact our Senators and ask for their commitment in voting for the override of the Governor's MCO amendment veto.

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, asked how much the County pays for the annual CCAO membership fee and how many Counties participate in CCAO. Commissioner Troy replied he believed the annual dues were in the \$10,000 - \$12,000 range, and that all 88 Counties in the state belong to CCAO. Budget Director, Mr. Michael Matas, stated he would provide the CCAO membership dues information to Mr. Muzik.

Pastor Evan Nunnally stated that there have been approximately 385 abortions in Lake County last year, none of which he had an opportunity to know.

Commissioner Troy responded that there are no abortions performed in Lake County and the County must follow federal law regarding CDBG allocations.

Ms. Susan Urban, of 10101 Hobby Horse Lane, Concord Township, and member of the Right to Life Board, stated that she shares the opinion of Pastor Evan. She expressed her opinions on the abortion referral link and actual act. Ms. Urban stated Ms. Dotson has relayed to her that she is looking into the AIR standards regarding removal of the link.

Commissioner Cirino stated he is pleased that people have had the opportunity to respectfully share their beliefs and opinions at the Board of Commissioners meetings.

Ms. Urban stated that Family Planning is listed no less than 5 times for abortion references on the 2-1-1 website.

Ms. Mary Wynn-Peaspenan, Executive Director of Family Planning Association, stated that while she cannot speak directly to the Lifeline website, she can speak of Family Planning. She explained that the references Ms. Urban spoke of are part of a database and that nowhere in that database will Family Planning be listed as offering any type of abortion services or financial assistance whatsoever.

Ms. Jacqui Fetsko, Director of Right to Life, relayed a conversation she had with Ms. Dotson of Lifeline, and spoke of Ms. Wynn-Peaspenan's statement.

Ms. Linda Harris followed up with additional information she obtained on the Lifeline/2-1-1 website and spoke of Planned Parenthood.

Commissioner Hamercheck explained that the Board has been told on more than one occasion that the 2-1-1 database, by their national standard, must be reflective and accurate of the services that are available for the referral process. He stated that he will follow up with Ms. Dotson regarding the discrepancies he has seen on the website with regard to abortion and Family Planning.

Commissioner Troy explained the main assistance that Lifeline provides including, the HEAP energy assistance program and addressing housing needs. He stated that the clear fact is that never has any CDBG money ever been spent to promote or to assist in the performance of abortions in Lake County. We have always had a very strong pro-life Board of Commissioners that have always made sure that Lake Health has never performed any abortions. Commissioner Troy stated that the \$4,800 that has been given to Family Planning in the past is to provide prenatal education and services to low income women so that these women remain healthy and deliver healthy full term babies.

Commissioner Hamercheck stated that the only thing that even the staunchest opponents to abortion are asking for is for Lifeline/2-1-1 to remove the abortion link referral from their website. They are not asking that a face to face managed conversation or an over the phone opportunity be taken away but simply for it to be removed from an unmanaged website.

Pastor Nunnally and Ms. Connie Mismus expressed their additional opinions regarding Commissioner Troy's statement.

Commissioner Cirino stated the next Regular Commissioners' Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 24, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.

ADJOURN: On a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck, the Board adjourned the meeting at 11:05 a.m., with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

Minutes approved this twenty-fourth day of August, 2017.

**BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

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JERRY C. CIRINO, PRESIDENT

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