

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

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

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(Tape 2019-0829)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Cirino called the Meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. Thursday, August 29, 2019.

ROLL CALL: Upon roll being called, Commissioners Cirino, Hamercheck and Young were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon a motion by Commissioner Hamercheck, seconded by Commissioner Cirino, the minutes of the Regular Meetings of August 13, 2019 and August 20, 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. No one present wished to address the Board at this time.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR NOT TO EXCEED \$900,000 IN NOTES TO PAY COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING, RECONSTRUCTING, PAVING AND OTHERWISE IMPROVING ROAD IMPROVEMENTS IN THE COUNTY, INCLUDING RELATED IMPROVEMENTS AND ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO (20190829\E01)(E-13)

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

2. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 DAYTON ROAD RECONSTRUCTION AND SAFETY PROJECT WITH RONYAK PAVING, INC. DECREASING THE AMOUNT BY \$33,052.30, LCE PROJECT NO. 2015-020 (20190829\E02)(E-3)

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck. County Engineer, Mr. James Gills, explained that this and the following resolution are required to close out the completed contracts on these projects. He stated that both of the projects were completed under the original bid amounts. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck and Young. "NAYS": None

3. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 RESURFACING VARIOUS COUNTY ROADS - 2019 PROJECT WITH RONYAK PAVING, INC. DECREASING THE AMOUNT BY \$253,612.97, LCE PROJECT NO. 2018-011(20190829\E03)(E-3)

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 AWARDDING A BID CONTRACT TO A.C. RATTRAY CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE BLACKBROOK MAINTENANCE GARAGE ROOF PROJECT – CEILING INSULATION PHASE, AS REQUIRED BY THE LAKE COUNTY ENGINEER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$318,000.00 (20190829\E04)(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 Young. "NAYS": None

5. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH, TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS AND INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES SEWER OPERATING FUND AND PROJECT FUND 596 AND INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS IN PROJECT 385-S MENTOR AND MADISON WASTEWATER FACILITY RENOVATIONS (20190829\U01)(UT-2)

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

6. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS IN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES SEWER OPERATING FUND (20190829\U02)(UT-2)

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

7. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES SOLID WASTE OPERATING FUND (20190829\U03)(UT-2)

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

8. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING CASH FROM LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES SEWER OPERATING FUNDS TO SEWER PROJECT FUND 364-S GLYCO II FORCEMAIN REPLACEMENT(20190829\U04)(UT-2)

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

9. RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT SEPTEMBER 6, 2019, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$208,696.72 (20190829\JFS01)(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

10.A RESOLUTION APPROVING, SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF SECTION 147(f) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986 AND THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY, THE ISSUANCE BY THE PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY OF NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000,000 EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES REVENUE BONDS (LAKE ERIE COLLEGE PROJECT) (20190829\C01)(C-145)

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

11. RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN ITEMS AS SURPLUS AND NO LONGER NECESSARY AND APPROVING THE DESTRUCTION OF THE ITEMS FROM THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITORS OFFICE (20190829\C02)(C-2)

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 AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH FIDLAR TECHNOLOGIES FOR THE AVID SOFTWARE PROGRAM FOR THE RECORDER'S OFFICE, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$105,500.00 (20190829\C03)(C-36a)

On a motion by Commissioner Hamercheck, seconded by Commissioner Young. County Recorder, Ms. Becky Lynch, stated that she has been working on this contract for over a year. She explained that Fidar Technologies has been a vendor with the Recorders Office for over 20 years and that they have always provided superior services. This next generation software will bring much needed modernization to the office. Commissioner Hamercheck commended Ms. Lynch for her diligence in negotiating this new contract and stated that the new contract is less than the \$109,000 she was able to get refunded to Lake County. He thanked her for her exceptional leadership and complimented Ms. Lynch, the IT Department, the vendor (Fidar) and the Auditors Office for their teamwork. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck and Young. "NAYS": None

13. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO ENTER INTO AN AMENDMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND BURGESS & NIPL, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES AT 105 MAIN STREET FOR THE LAKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER EXPANSION AND RENOVATION PROJECT (20190829\C04)(207m)

On a motion by Commissioner Hamercheck, seconded by Commissioner Young. County Administrator, Mr. Jason Boyd, explained that this is not a budget increase but amends the continuing construction servicing agreement with Burgess & Niple. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck and Young. "NAYS": None

14. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE RECOMMENDATION OF PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER PAMELA D. KURT TO REMOVE BILLIE FEDERER AS HER ALTERNATE ON THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND TO DESIGNATE LYNNE YOHE TO SERVE AS HER ALTERNATE ON THE LAKE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION (20190829\C05)(B-34)

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

15. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE RECOMMENDATION OF PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER HIRAM REPERT TO DESIGNATE RICHARD TERRIACO AS HIS ALTERNATE (20190829\C06)(B-34)

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

16. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE RECOMMENDATION OF PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER JERRY CIRINO TO REMOVE SEAN BLAKE AS HIS ALTERNATE ON THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND APPOINTING SEAN BLAKE TO THE LAKE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION TO COMPLETE AN UNEXPIRED TERM ENDING AUGUST 14, 2020 (20190829\C07)(B-34)

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

17. RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,402,365.69 (20190829\BC01)(C-4)

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

18. RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$834,228.36 (20190829\BC02)(C-17)

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

19. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20190829\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

20. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20190829\BC04)(C-111)

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

21. RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING DANIEL A. DUNLAP ON HIS RETIREMENT AS THE LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF(20190829)(F01)(C-126)

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

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES – Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger, stated that Lake Erie experienced a rare naturally occurring phenomenon recently. The Department has been monitoring and treating a "Dead Zone" detected in Lake Erie. He explained that this generally occurs in the deepest part of the Lake. A dead zone is a large area of low-oxygen water, which is colder and has a low pH. The water is not harmful to drink but can cause some water discoloration. The Department has been working very hard to mitigate these conditions and eliminate "dead zone" water from the distribution system. He stressed that normally this phenomenon only lasts a few hours to half a day. This particular dead zone has lasted few days and the Department will continue to monitor and treat.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – none.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – Mr. Jason Boyd updated the Board on the new Administration Building, stating that the first floor furnishings are in and that the Board of Elections should be moving in next week. Furnishings for the 5th floor (Commissioners Offices) have begun. Plans are underway for a grand opening and he will continue to discuss the particulars with the Board. Commissioner Cirino acknowledged and thanked Mr. Boyd and Mr. Fedak for their management of this very large and complex project.

FINANCE – Budget Director, Mr. Michael Matas, clarified that Resolution #1 states "for an amount not to exceed \$900,000". He explained that they were still working on the exact amount of pay down, and that the note amount will be \$600,000. Mr. Matas stated that there is no need to amend the resolution but wanted to give an update for clarification purposes.

CLERK –Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, stated that County Offices will be closed Monday, September 2nd for the Labor Day holiday and that there will not be a Commissioners meeting next week. She stated that the next regular Commissioners Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 12th, at 10:00 A.M.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS: - none.

NEW BUSINESS: - Commissioner Cirino stated that he had heard in the news recently that an Arcata, California city Councilman made a motion during a Council meeting to eliminate the Pledge of Allegiance from their meetings. The Councilman felt that the Pledge was "archaic" and meaningless. Commissioner Cirino stated that there have been other initiatives around the country to eliminate prayer before public meetings as well. Commissioner Cirino stressed that both the Pledge of Allegiance and the traditional opening prayer at the beginning of each meeting will continue. Commissioners Hamercheck and Young both indicated their agreement with Commissioner Cirino.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Commissioner Cirino asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. No one present wished to address the Board at this time.

Commissioner Cirino stated that the next regular Commissioner’s Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 12th, at 10:00 A.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On a motion by Commissioner Hamercheck, seconded by Commissioner Young, the Board convened an Executive Session at 10:23 a.m. to discuss Legal-Imminent Litigation matters with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Young "NAYS": None

The Lake County Board of Commissioners adjourned to Executive Session at 10:27 a.m.

ADJOURN:

On a motion by Commissioner Hamercheck, seconded by Commissioner Cirino, the Board adjourned the meeting at 10:39 a.m. with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck and Young. "NAYS": None
Minutes approved this nineteenth day of September, 2019.

BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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