

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

DANIEL P. TROY, PRESIDENT	JASON W. BOYD, ADMINISTRATOR
ROBERT E. AUFULDISH, COMMISSIONER	LEGAL COUNSEL
JUDY MORAN, COMMISSIONER	JOEL DIMARE, BUDGET DIRECTOR
AMY ELSZASZ, CLERK	NEWS MEDIA

 (Tape 2014-0916)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Troy called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m., September 16, 2014.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: none

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Commissioner Troy asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board.
 Ms. Rhea Benton, CDBG Director, introduced Rabbit Run Community Arts Association Theater Executive Director Brint Learned and Project Manager Dan Nichols. Rabbit Run is a recipient of FY13 CDBG funds in the amount of \$44,300 for the installation of ADA patios and walkways connecting the parking lot, main facility and existing ADA bathroom building. Additionally, with leveraging other funds such as in-kind donations and donations from various partners, the site was transformed with new lighting and landscaping. These Rabbit Run representatives are here to thank the County for their support and proudly display the pictures of the project.
 Mr. Nichols showed before and after pictures of the project and they thanked the supporters. The pictures detailed the progress of the project. They also worked on underground drainage and constructed a framed out area to alleviate water run off and created a nice patio. The presentation was an overview of what the project entailed. The walkway also turned out nicely. All the lights are LED and will last 50,000 hours.
 Commissioner Moran stated that it looks beautiful and the barn is in the perfect spot. The new paving is great for those who wear heels.
 Mr. Learned stated that they will be receiving further funding this year that will be used for extended ADA issues that will connect to what has already been accomplished.
 The Commissioners thanked them for doing a great job.

Mr. Nichols stated that this is the only outside theater in Lake County and it is historical.
 Ms. Benton stated that it is nice to see a group maximize the dollars and take a modest budget and leverage that for a great outcome and they finished their project three months ahead of deadline.
 Mr. Learned stated that working with Ms. Benton was a dream. She made every aspect of the process easy.
 Commissioner Troy stated that the Federal Government likes the fact that CDBG funds are leveraged with local funding. He stated that on behalf of all Lake County residents, we salute you for all that you have done at Rabbit Run Theater. This County made a commitment to arts and culture by creating an Arts and Culture Grant Fund with the Hotel/Motel tax money that is collected in Lake County. We want to continue to make that commitment. The arts and improving the quality of life to residents is important and they have done a great job with limited resources and the County looks forward to continuing to partner with them on future projects and to encourage people to take advantage of the performances and support in this Lake County arts treasure.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. **RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL ESTIMATE NO. 4 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,648.52 WITH PRECISE BORING OF OHIO, LLC AND ACCEPTING A THREE YEAR MAINTENANCE BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,030.00 FOR LAKESHORE BOULEVARD CROSSING THE CHAGRIN RIVER WATERLINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT NO 304-W (20140916\U01)(UT-4)**
 On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Aufuldish and Moran "NAYS": None

2. **RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$449,500 FOR HEATHERSTONE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENT 349-S AND ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR SAME (BID OPENING: NOVEMBER 5, 2014)(20140916\U02)(UT-8)**
 On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish.
 Commissioner Troy state this is to approve plans and specifications and solicit bids to improve the situation there in terms of treatment.
 Mr. Saari, Sanitary Engineer, said that the plant is 36 years old and needs upgrading and some maintenance and this will allow the County to ensure the purity of the water sent out to the Lake.
 Mr. Rick Martin, Executive Director of the Utilities Department, explained that the biggest part of the project is to upgrade the filters and to install some mechanical screens. This is a smaller wastewater treatment system and it needs to be operating as well as possible to protect the environment. The affluent goes into a designated wildlife area and it needs to be as pure as it can be.
 The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Aufuldish and Moran "NAYS": None

3. **RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR HEATHERSTONE WWTP 349-S AND TRANSFERRING CASH (20140916\U03)(UT-2)**
 On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Aufuldish and Moran "NAYS": None

4. **RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT SEPTEMBER 22, 2014, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$413,251.96 (20140916\JFS01)(JFS-14)**
 On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the foregoing resolution was

adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Aufuldish and Moran "NAYS": None

5. **RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,078,886.09(20140916\BC01)(C-4)**

On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Aufuldish and Moran "NAYS": None

6. **RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$701,028.50 (20140916\BC02)(C-17)**

On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Aufuldish and Moran "NAYS": None

7. **RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20140916\BC03)(C-111)**

On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish.

Commissioner Troy stated that this resolution does create an increase in appropriations from the County by \$100,000 for the State of Ohio Bureau of Children within Medical Handicaps. It's a requirement of State Law that the County is assessed out of the General Fund a certain amount per year based on the usage by the citizens of the County.

The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Aufuldish and Moran "NAYS": None

8. **RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20140916\BC04)(C-111)**

On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Aufuldish and Moran "NAYS": None

9. **RESOLUTION DECLARING SEPTEMBER 27, 2014 NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY IN LAKE COUNTY (20140916\F01)(C-126)**

On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish.

Commissioner Troy stated that America's system of public lands includes parks, unique landscapes, forests, wildlife refuges, historic trails, natural streams and wetlands, nature centers, community gardens and collectively represent our shared irreplaceable national resources and Lake County has all these types of public lands. This is the National Public Lands Day, now celebrating its 21st Anniversary, it is the nation's largest, single-day volunteer effort for the public lands. This resolution encourages all of Lake County to support efforts to honor and restore America's public lands, and recognize their role of these important resources in shaping our history, enriching our lives and bolstering the economy.

The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Aufuldish and Moran "NAYS": None

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES - Mr. Randy Rothlisberger, Assistant Sanitary Engineer, reported that Aqua Ohio announced a rate increase. An average household uses 5,000 gallons per month and their rates go up to \$52 a month for a 1-inch meter. Lake County is \$24 a month for the same amount of water. Aqua Ohio fees are changing as well, such as reconnection fees will now be \$50 and Lake County charges costs \$25. After hours, the reconnection fee for Aqua Ohio will be \$155 and for the County, the fee is \$85. Aqua has an account activation charge of \$31 and the County does not have an activation charge. Business-wise, the County charges \$26.55 for a private fire hydrant the they charge \$44. The County is a little more reasonable.

Commissioner Aufuldish asked for the reasoning behind their rate increases.

Mr. Rothlisberger stated that Aqua Ohio has not had a rate increase since 2010 and they have increased their capital improvement projects.

Commissioner Troy stated that Aqua Ohio serves quite a bit of the County and they do a great job. The difference is that they are a private company and have to pay taxes and show some profit. It is good to see that our rates are favorable. The County rate is \$3.49 per 100 cubic feet and Aqua Ohio is \$4.33 for the same amount. The Utilities Department is doing a great job in keeping the costs down and making significant capital improvements to the system. The Department does a great job managing our water delivery system that continues to win awards.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES - none

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - none

FINANCE - none

CLERK - none

LEGAL - none

OLD BUSINESS: - none

NEW BUSINESS: - Commissioner Troy stated that collaboration continues between the Health District and Steris Corporation to reach a temporary housing situation with the old Neighboring Supportive Services building on Heisley Road. They are negotiating the final terms of the contract so that the Health District can be up and running in a temporary larger location to provide their needed services to the community. We do not know how long they will have to work out of their temporary quarters yet. Hopefully it will be announced fairly soon.

As Government Chair for the Lake County Government United Way Campaign, Commissioner Moran stated that the campaign kick-off is September 24, 2014 in Veteran's Park at noon. There will be hot dogs, frozen yogurt and

people will be in the dunk tank. Matt Battiato, John O'Donnell from the Prosecutor's Office and possibly herself will be in the tank. All the agencies will have tables set up in the square.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Commissioner Troy asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board? No one present wished to address the Board.

Commissioner Troy stated the next regular Commissioners Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 25, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- Real Estate - potential acquisition

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the Board convened an Executive Session at 2:31 pm to discuss personnel issues relating to compensation, with the vote as follows:

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

The Lake County Board of Commissioners recessed Executive Session at 2:31 pm.

The Lake County Board of Commissioners reconvened Executive Session at 2:40 pm.

On a motion of Commissioner Moran seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the Board terminated the Executive Session at 3:11 pm, with the vote as follows:

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

ADJOURN: On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Moran, the Board adjourned the meeting at 3:11 pm, with the vote as follows:

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

Minutes approved this twenty-fifth day of September, 2014.

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