

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

DANIEL P. TROY, PRESIDENT  
ROBERT E. AUFULDISH, COMMISSIONER  
JUDY MORAN, COMMISSIONER  
AMY ELSZASZ, CLERK

JASON W. BOYD, ADMINISTRATOR  
LEGAL COUNSEL  
JOEL DIMARE, BUDGET DIRECTOR  
NEWS MEDIA

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(Tape 2014-1016)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Troy called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m., October 16, 2014.

ROLL CALL: Upon the roll being called Commissioner Troy and Commissioner Aufuldish were present. Commissioner Moran was absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Upon a motion by Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the minutes of the regular meeting of October 9, 2014 were approved as follows:

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

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Commissioner Troy asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. Commissioner Troy explained that the lead agencies on public health in Lake County, the Lake County General Health District and Lake Health are prepared to protect the public during an Ebola outbreak. A news release went out, stating that Lake County organizations and the religious community are being contacted and being informed that anyone who works with individuals from West African countries needs to be aware of the threat and given more information. They are partnering with the local hospital, physicians offices and federal agencies to monitor for infectious diseases, and also performing outreach and education in the community to raise awareness about Ebola. Ebola is spread when a person comes in contact with body fluids of someone who is sick. It is not spread through the air or water.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. **RESOLUTION ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR THE VROOMAN ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT (PID#5669) AND VROOMAN ROAD RECONSTRUCTION (PID#85131), PERRY AND LEROY TOWNSHIP, OHIO - FEDERAL AID PROJECT #E033 (085) AND #E090 (097) (20141014\E01)(E-2)**

On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy.  
Mr. Alan Exley, Chief Design Engineer, explained that this resolution gives advanced authorization for advertising. The plans and estimates were submitted to ODOT to get the Federal money to bid the project. This is to expedite the process to advertise and give the contractors more time to bid.  
Commissioner Troy asked if the current bridge that crosses the Grand River is closed for safety reasons?  
Mr. Exley replied that the bridge is closed due to its poor condition. It was thought that an overloaded truck went across the bridge and luckily, an inspection was scheduled the next day and it was closed immediately upon the findings. They are investigating options to re-open the bridge, by including the bridge in the upcoming construction project.  
Commissioner Troy stated that the lead agency is the Lake County Engineer's Office. The NOACA Governing Board approved \$20 million in Federal funding that will be going to Lake County. There was also \$220 million that came into the County for the S.R. 2 project. That is a lot of funding that came into the County through NOACA.  
The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy and Aufuldish  
"NAYS": None

2. **RESOLUTION AWARDDING A BID CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$591,990.00 TO CARGILL, INC. IN 2014 FOR TREATED BULK ROCK SALT AS REQUIRED BY THE LAKE COUNTY ENGINEER (20141014\E02)(E-3)**

On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy.  
Mr. Exley stated that the County will have salt for the winter. He explained that treated and untreated salt did not have much of a price difference and treated salt sticks to the road and melts better. The bid was for 7,000 tons of material and between this purchase, the salt already in the domes and other communities, there are 14,000 tons of salt available. This is the same amount that was used last year.  
Commissioner Troy stated that the County Engineer and County Commissioners Associations of Ohio asked the Attorney General's Office to look into the reason why the prices for these materials have increased so much this year.  
The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy and Aufuldish  
"NAYS": None

3. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR REAL PROPERTY PARCEL 9 WD REQUIRED FOR HIGHWAY PURPOSES FOR THE VROOMAN ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT IN PERRY AND LEROY TOWNSHIPS(20141014\E03)(E-11)**

On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy.  
Commissioner Troy stated that the purchase of this piece of property and the next are necessary for the Vrooman Road bridge replacement project.  
The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy and Aufuldish  
"NAYS": None

4. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR REAL PROPERTY PARCEL 6 WD REQUIRED FOR HIGHWAY PURPOSES FOR THE VROOMAN ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT IN PERRY AND LEROY TOWNSHIPS(20141014\E04)(E-11)**

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

5. **RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING AND INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING CASH WITHIN VARIOUS LCDU ACCOUNTS (20141014\U01)(UT-2)**  
On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy and Aufuldish "NAYS": None
6. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A VOCA GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$135,332.92 AND A SVAA GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,063.80 FROM THE OFFICE OF THE OHIO ATTORNEY GENERAL UNDER THE OHIO CRIME VICTIMS ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE LAKE COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S VICTIM ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2015 (20141014\C01)(CT-8a)**  
On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy and Aufuldish "NAYS": None
7. **RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,194,105.44(20141014\BC01)(C-4)**  
On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy and Aufuldish "NAYS": None
8. **RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$185,029.70(20141014\BC02)(C-17)**  
On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy and Aufuldish "NAYS": None
9. **RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20141014\BC03)(C-111)**  
On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy and Aufuldish "NAYS": None
10. **RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20141014\BC04)(C-111)**  
On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy and Aufuldish "NAYS": None
11. **RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING NATHAN BARRUS ON ATTAINING THE PRESTIGIOUS RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT AWARDED BY THE NATIONAL BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA (20141014\F01)(C-126)**  
On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy and Aufuldish "NAYS": None

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:UTILITIES - none

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES - Mr. Matt Battitato, Job and Family Services Director, reported that the annual chili cook-off will be held on Wednesday, October 22, 2014 at 11:30 a.m. This is the kickoff event for the their United Way campaign. There will be 22 chilies and all that is asked is for a donation to United Way. Some of the Commissioners and judges will be judging.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - noneFINANCE - noneCLERK - noneLEGAL - noneOLD BUSINESS: - none

NEW BUSINESS: - Commissioner Aufuldish reported that he has been attending LEEDCO meetings the last few years and Project Ice Breaker did not receive a grant by the US Department of Energy, however LEEDCO will receive \$3 million to keep the operation going. He hopes the Energy Department will rethink its decision and award funding for this project. This is the only freshwater wind turbine project. It is a small step in the right direction.

Commissioner Troy stated that the State Legislature passed an alternative energy statute encouraging development of alternative energy but now there seems to be an attempt to rollback these incentives. He asked if this will this have an impact on state tax incentives for the project?

Commissioner Aufuldish replied that this project did not rely on state tax incentives although it may be impacting one of the awardees. It is unfortunate that the State of Ohio is looking at a two year moratorium because thousands of jobs and millions of dollars in contracts will be lost for alternative energy sources. He hopes they rethink this decision.

Commissioner Troy replied that the County received notice that the old Holiday Inn hotel will be demolished today in cooperation with the Land Bank and City of Painesville. They will begin to knock the building down at 11:00 am this morning.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Commissioner Troy asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board?

Ms. Becky Lynch, 8040 King Memorial in Mentor, asked about resolutions #3 and #4 executing the purchase of property for the Vrooman Road Bridge Replacement Project and she asked if these properties were obtained through eminent domain, and if not, how much the County is paying for them?

Commissioner Troy replied that they are not eminent domain. They were negotiated prices following the federal process. The Sidley property is \$123,000 and the second residential property is \$272,500 and this cost comes out

of the federal funds earmarked for this project.

Ms. Lynch then asked if there was a match for resolution #6 the acceptance of a VOCA and SVAA grant?

Commissioner Troy replied that these grants do not require a local match.

Ms. Lynch asked where she should go to properly dispose of a flag and she was told the Veteran’s Services Office.

Commissioner Troy stated the next regular Commissioners Meeting will be held on Thursday, October 23, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- Personnel - discipline

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the Board convened an Executive Session at 10:30 a.m. to discuss personnel issues relating to compensation, with the vote as follows:

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

The Lake County Board of Commissioners recessed Executive Session at 10:30 a.m.

The Lake County Board of Commissioners reconvened Executive Session at 10:45 a.m.

On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish seconded by Commissioner Troy, the Board terminated the Executive Session at 10:50 a.m., with the vote as follows:

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

The Commissioners came back into open session and the County Prosecutor discussed economic development matters. No action was taken.

**ADJOURN:** On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the Board adjourned the meeting at 11:21 a.m., with the vote as follows:

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

Minutes approved this thirtieth day of October, 2014.

**BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

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