

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

DANIEL P. TROY, PRESIDENT
KEVIN D. MALECEK, COMMISSIONER
JUDY MORAN, COMMISSIONER
JENNIFER BELL, CLERK

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NEWS MEDIA

(Tape 2015-1105)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Troy called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m., November 5, 2015.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Upon a motion by Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Malecek, the minutes of the regular meeting of October 29, 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.

Mr. Brian Rice, Council on Aging Board Member, introduced Ms. Cyndi Rossi and Ms. Dell Whitaker from the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging (WRAAA).

Ms. Whitaker discussed the Western Reserve's role in MyCare Ohio and Advocacy in Motion, to combat food insecurity for senior citizens. Ohio is ranked 6th in the United States for food insecurity. There are 30,000 individuals in Lake County or 13% of Lake County residents who are considered food insecure. The WRAAA representatives are making presentations for each of the boards of commissioners for the 5 counties which they serve; Medina, Lorain, Geauga, Lake and Cuyahoga.

Commissioner Troy asked if local food banks were filling the gap for food insecurity or the decrease in the number of meals being served indicated in the report?

Ms. Rossi explained that food banks do not deliver meals to the home. Delivery of the food serves to aid nutrition and also serves as a wellness check.

Commissioner Troy stated that the population of those 85 and older is predicted to increase significantly and he asked if there were any new approaches for this impending growth? He understands that it is sometimes very difficult to get them to eat.

Ms. Rossi explained that the first step is to get the word out about their program, advocate, and then raise funds. Commissioner Troy stated that the County is looking into the future of where to spend senior levy funds, and a study was recently completed regarding the needs of Lake County Senior Citizens. In 2030 there will be 1 out of 3 citizens in the County over 60 years old. He wished them good luck with their campaign.

Commissioner Moran stated that the Meals on Wheels on program is a godsend and her mother-in-law uses this program. Commissioner Moran continues to send out the call for more drivers. This is a great program and service and it serves a great need and she is supportive.

Mr. Rice stated that with shrinking dollar comes a growing demand for these services, and advocacy will become more important.

RESOLUTIONS:

- 1. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT MODIFICATION NO. 5 OF THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH HIRING MICHAEL BAKER JR., INC. FOR ODOT'S MINOR DEVELOPMENT PROCESS FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE VROOMAN ROAD BRIDGE OVER THE GRAND RIVER IN PERRY TOWNSHIP(20151105\E01)(E-3)**

On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Malecek. Commissioner Troy stated that this is a revenue neutral change order.

Mr. Alan Exley from the Engineer's Office explained that Michael Baker Jr., Inc. has been working on the design of the project and this resolution authorizes moving money from the engineering side to on-going services since it has been awarded to a contractor so the federal government continues to reimburse the Engineer's Department at 80%.

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

- 2. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY AND THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS DESIGNATING LAKE COUNTY AS THE LPA FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF SR91 (PID 100245) IN THE CITIES OF WILLOUGHBY AND WILLOUGHBY HILLS(20151105\E02)(E-3)**

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

Ms. Traci Salkiewicz explained that this resurfacing project will take place in the summer and money is coming from a NOACA program.

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

- 3. **RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR LCDU WATER DISTRICT MATERIALS & SUPPLIES(20151105\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

- 4. **RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A THREE YEAR MAINTENANCE SURETY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,377.00 FOR SANITARY SEWERS FOR FIORITTO DENTAL UTILITY EXTENSION JOB NO. 14-37 IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP(20151105\U02)(UT-22)**

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

5. **RESOLUTION AWARDING A BID CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$846,500.00 TO RUDZIK EXCAVATING, INC. FOR FAIRPORT-NURSERY ROAD WATERMAIN IMPROVEMENT PROJECT 359-W(20151105\U03)(UT-4)**
 On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Malecek.
 Commissioner Troy stated that the existing waterline is 65 years old and bids for this project came in 12% below the engineer's estimate. It will be a welcome improvement to the area.
 The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Malecek and Moran
 "NAYS": None
6. **RESOLUTION AWARDING A BID CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,041,231.30 TO TERRACE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. FOR BEIDLER ROAD WATERLINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT 339-W(20151105\U04)(UT-4)**
 On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Malecek.
 Commissioner Troy stated that this project came in at 16.7% below the engineer's estimate. It appears that this was a good time to bid out projects.
 The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Malecek and Moran
 "NAYS": None
7. **RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT NOVEMBER 9, 2015, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$195,692.56(20151105\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
8. **RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE LAKE COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD AND TO REQUEST CERTIFICATION OF THE BOARD (20151105\JFS02)(B-77)**
 On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Malecek.
 Commissioner Troy stated that there is a new federal law called the Workforce Opportunity Invest Act (WOIA) that was enacted which reduces the size of the Workforce Board. This new board will consist mostly of existing members from the old board who agreed to continue to serve. It will be the responsibility of this board to make recommendations to the Board of Commissioners to designate an operator for the One Stop area and send out an RFP for the operation the Lake County One Stop Center. By law, the three areas that need to be determined are appointing the operator of the One Stop, appointing a Fiscal Agent for the Workforce Development Area and appointing a Workforce Development Director. One entity can be responsible for only two of the above-mentioned items. There will be recommendations made to the Board of Commissioners.
 The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Malecek and Moran
 "NAYS": None
9. **RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE LAKE COUNTY EMPLOYEES' SHARE OF THE MONTHLY PREMIUM FOR MEDICAL AND DENTAL INSURANCE COVERAGE, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2016 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2016(20151105\C01)(INS)**
 On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Malecek.
 Commissioner Troy stated that this is an annual resolution for County employee healthcare plans. The County is self-insured. There is a 3.3% increase rate increase from last year and the employees share is 12%, up one percent over last year. The County continues to use Anthem as our third party administrator, Caremark for prescriptions and Guardian for dental. Open enrollment is from November 12-25, 2015.
 Mr. DiMare stated that the following resolution is healthcare rates for entities outside the County. Their rate increase is 3.5% and the additional .2 percent is to offset ACA compliance costs and their portion of the software. Before the end of the year there will be renewals of three year contracts for Leroy Township, Madison Library, Morley Library and the Lake County Port and Economic Development Authority.
 Commissioner Troy stated that regional entities can become part of the plan after completing an underwriting analysis to ensure they are a reasonable risk, and every three years the contracts are adjusted by a surcharge if necessary by their rating.
 The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Malecek and Moran
 "NAYS": None
10. **RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE MONTHLY PREMIUMS FOR MEDICAL AND DENTAL INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR SUB-GOVERNMENT ENTITIES PARTICIPATING IN THE COUNTY EMPLOYEE HEALTH PLANS, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2016 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2016(20151105\C02)(INS)**
 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
11. **RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING ELLEN E. CANTOR TO THE LAKE COUNTY SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY PANEL FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2018(20151105\C03)(B-20)**
 On a motion of Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Malecek.
 Commissioner Troy stated that the Senior Citizen Advisory Panel is a 5-member board with staggered 3 year terms. Ms. Cantor is a former JFS director and temporary Council on Aging Director, and she has served on the panel since its inception and has done a great job. She is interested in continuing her service.
 The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Malecek and Moran
 "NAYS": None
12. **RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,232,984.89(20151105\BC01)(C-4)**
 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
13. **RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$288,579.69(20151105\BC02)(C-17)**
 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
14. **RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20151105\BC03)(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

15. **RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20151105\BC04)(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, presented an update on the 2015 Capital Improvement Plan relating to waterline underground infrastructure. This year three waterlines were completed and three are under construction now and three will begin construction soon. Over the last few years there is a need for these improvements. The County maintains 550 miles of pipe in the system and 8-9 miles need to be replaced per year to stay sustainable. This year they will replace 7 miles of lines. To date, about 6 miles of lines are scheduled to be replaced in 2016. The cost is a little over \$1 million per mile. They take advantage of OPWC grants whenever possible to offset the costs and they are attempting to reach their goal of 8-9 miles per year. Commissioner Troy asked if the revenue streams were sufficient to underwrite the program and Mr. Rothlisberger thought that the revenues would be sufficient for 2016.

Commissioner Troy stated that people recognize the fact that underground infrastructure is aging in this State. He mentioned a proposal for water and sewer infrastructure repairs at the State level that may assist with future funding.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES - none

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - none

FINANCE - none

CLERK - Ms. Bell reported that NEOCAP (Northeast Ohio Community Alternative Program) is requesting the appointment of a member to the Facility Governing Board by the Commissioners in the near future. A resolution will have to be adopted in the near future.

LEGAL - none

OLD BUSINESS: - none

NEW BUSINESS: - Mr. Chuck Klco, Building & Grounds Superintendent, reported that he is a member of the Energy Committee through CCAO and he reported that for 100 cubic feet of natural gas should be well under \$3.00. Not too long ago we were paying \$11.00-\$14.00. We gave Palmer Energy the authority to purchase gas at the cheaper price for the first quarter of next year. In electric, a capacity charge was added and it could be increased by 30-50% on the capacity side. Lake County is locked into a kilowatt charge. The County cannot negotiate the capacity charge. In summary, natural gas will be cheaper and electric will see an increase in rates. The Utilities Department will probably be affected the most by the changes.

Commissioner Troy congratulated all the winners from Tuesday's election and the vote on State issues reflected what CCAO and the Board had recommended. The voter turn out for Lake County was greater than last year. Lakeland Community College and Willoughby-Eastlake Schools will be constructing new buildings thanks to the levies being passed by the voters.

Commissioner Troy reported that CCAO in conjunction with the Ohio Association of Elections Officials will meet with the Senate President and Speaker of the House to discuss the State Capital Bill and discussion about the replacement of voting machine equipment. CCAO is asking if the legislature can set aside a substantial capital appropriation to assist counties with the purchase of new equipment. This will benefit all counties.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Commissioner Troy asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. No one present wished to address the Board at this time.

Commissioner Troy wished everyone a happy Veteran's Day and stated that the next regular Commissioners Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 12, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- Personnel - employment

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On a motion of Commissioner Moran seconded by Commissioner Malecek, the Board convened an Executive Session at 11:01 a.m. to discuss personnel matters related to employment with the vote as follows:

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

The Lake County Board of Commissioners recessed Executive Session at 11:02 a.m.

The Lake County Board of Commissioners reconvened Executive Session at 11:03 a.m.

On a motion of Commissioner Moran seconded by Commissioner Malecek, the Board returned to open session at 11:15 a.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 11:30 a.m., with the vote as follows:

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

Minutes approved this twelfth day of November, 2015.

BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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