

**LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES**

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

JASON W. BOYD, ADMINISTRATOR  
 LEGAL COUNSEL  
 MIKE MATAS, BUDGET DIRECTOR  
 NEWS MEDIA

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 (Tape 2015-1229)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Troy called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m., December 29, 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 December 22, 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. Deanna Rowe, owner of Homestead House Bed and Breakfast, Willoughby. Received a letter from County Administrator Boyd regarding the proposed bed tax increase. She referred to an article in the Tribune stating that the increase would not be paid by Lake County residents and she does not feel this is true. She explained that she has been in business for 10 years and approximately fifty-percent of her visitors are from outside of the United States, forty-percent are people coming to visit family members and ten-percent she considers 'true visitors'. Ms. Rowe feels this increase would be paid by the small businesses in Lake County. She asked that the Commissioners consider the small business owners and the impact the increase would have on them. She is hoping for some positive changes to the Lake County Visitors Bureau in the coming year or two. Commissioner Troy explained the Lake County, Ohio Port and Economic Development Authority went to the legislature for a funding stream to generate funds for lakefront improvements and this was the recommendation. Commissioner Troy appreciates Ms. Rowe's input on the bed tax increase and the Commissioners will take her opinion into consideration. Commissioner Troy explained this is not a general tax used to fund day to day operations but a tax specifically earmarked for lakefront improvements. Commissioner Troy agreed with Ms. Rowe regarding the Visitors Bureau and congratulated her on the success of the Homestead House Bed and Breakfast.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. **RESOLUTION DECREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR LCDU REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT VARIOUS ACCOUNTS(20151229\U01)(UT-2)**

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

2. **RESOLUTION DECREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR LCDU REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT VARIOUS ACCOUNTS(20151229\U02)(UT-2)**

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

3. **RESOLUTION DECREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR LCDU SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING DISTRICT VARIOUS ACCOUNTS(20151229\U03)(UT-2)**

On a motion by 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 DECREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR LCDU CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS VARIOUS ACCOUNTS(20151229\U04)(UT-2)**

On a motion by 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 SETTING MEETINGS OF THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS(20151229\C01)(C-107)**

On a motion by Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Malecek. Commissioner Troy stated this resolution sets the first regular meeting of the year; Thursday, January 7, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. and the organizational meeting will be held on Monday, January 11, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. as required by statute.

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

6. **RESOLUTION APPOINTING BILL MARTIN TO THE LAKE COUNTY OHIO PORT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO COMPLETE THE REMAINDER OF A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2017(20151229\C02) (B-192)**

On a motion by Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Malecek. Commissioner Troy explained Mr. Martin will be completing the remaining two-year term of retiring board member, Mr. Anthony Debevec and reviewed Mr. Martin's credentials.

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

7. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S - CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT AND THE LEROY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR CENTRAL DISPATCH AND COMMUNICATION SERVICES FOR LEROY TOWNSHIP AND ITS FIRE DEPARTMENT(20151229\C03)(501-C)**

On a motion by 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 AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S - CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT AND THE MADISON FIRE DISTRICT FOR CENTRAL DISPATCH AND COMMUNICATION SERVICES(20151229\C04)(501-C)**

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

9. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S - CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT AND THE VILLAGE OF TIMBERLAKE FOR CENTRAL DISPATCH AND COMMUNICATION SERVICES(20151229\C05)(501-C)**

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

10. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S - CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT AND THE VILLAGE OF KIRTLAND HILLS FOR CENTRAL DISPATCH AND COMMUNICATION SERVICES FOR KIRTLAND HILLS VILLAGE AND ITS POLICE DEPARTMENT(20151229\C06)(501-C)**

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

On a motion by Commissioner Troy, to reconsider resolution #10 on the agenda, pertaining to Kirtland Hills, seconded by Commissioner Malecek, the foregoing motion was approved with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Malecek and Moran "NAYS": None

On a motion by Commissioner Troy, to amend the caption and the body of the resolution #10 to delete "and it's Fire Department" in all cases, seconded by Commissioner Moran, the foregoing motion was approved with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Malecek and Moran "NAYS": None

On a motion by Commissioner Troy, to adopt resolution #10 as amended", seconded by Commissioner Moran, the foregoing motion was approved with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Malecek and Moran "NAYS": None

11. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S - CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT AND THE PAINESVILLE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR CENTRAL DISPATCH AND COMMUNICATION SERVICES(20151229\C07)(501-C)**

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

12. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND THE LEROY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE LAKE COUNTY REGIONALIZED HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2016(20151229\C08)(INS)**

On a motion by Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Malecek.  
Director of Administrative Services Joel DiMare explained this and the following four resolutions are all renewal agreements from 2016 to 2018.  
The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Malecek and Moran "NAYS": None

13. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND THE MADISON LIBRARY TRUSTEES FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE LAKE COUNTY REGIONALIZED HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2016(20151229\C09)(INS)**

On a motion by 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 AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND THE MORLEY LIBRARY TRUSTEES FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE LAKE COUNTY REGIONALIZED HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2016(20151229\C10)(INS)**

On a motion by 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 AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND THE LAKE COUNTY OHIO PORT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE LAKE COUNTY REGIONALIZED HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2016(20151229\C11)(INS)**

On a motion by Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Malecek.  
Commissioner Troy asked how many employees are involved with this agreement. Mr. DiMare responded there are three employees eligible.  
The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Malecek and Moran "NAYS": None

16. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR THE TRANSFER OF THE WILLOUGHBY LOST NATION MUNICIPAL AIRPORT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY, OHIO, THE LAKE COUNTY OHIO PORT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND THIS COUNTY(20151229\C12)(209-z-29)**

On a motion by Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Malecek.  
County Administrator Boyd explained the City of Willoughby discovered there were two parcels of land that did not transfer at the time the Lake County, Ohio Port and Economic Development Authority and Lake County co-sponsored purchase of the Lost Nation Airport. The Port will handle the proper filing of the paperwork. Commissioner Troy clarified that this is not new acquisition of property but property that should have transferred at the initial transfer of Lost Nation Airport.  
The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Troy, Malecek and Moran "NAYS": None

**17. RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE WALDEN II RESERVE EXPANSION PROJECT IN THE TOWNSHIPS OF PERRY AND LEROY, PROPOSED FOR SUBMISSION TO NRAC DISTRICT 7 CLEAN OHIO FUND BY THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY(20151229\C13)(C-107)**

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

Commissioner Troy stated that the Cleveland Museum of Natural History contacted the Commissioner's office and asked for support in their effort to conserve 24 ½ acres of land in Perry and Leroy Township on the Grand River.

This water field is home to high quality mussels and federally endangered fresh water mussel species; the snuff box mussel bed. The museum is applying for a grant through the Clean Ohio Conservation Fund which requires a resolution in support of this conservation project. Commissioner Troy added that neither Perry Township nor Leroy Township oppose this resolution. Leroy Township Trustee Chuck Klco was present and added that they are in full support of this project and will also pass a resolution of support. Mr Klco explained this property is near the Blair Road Bridge and, upon the passing of the property owner, was donated to the Cleveland Museum of Natural History.

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

**18. RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$137,339.73(20151229\BC01)(C-4)**

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

**19. RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$61,837.79(20151229\BC02)(C-17)**

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

**20. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20151229\BC03)(C-111)**

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

**21. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20151229\BC04)(C-111)**

On a motion by 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. Matthew Armand reported that effective December 10, 2015, the Ashtabula County Commissioners approved a resolution to increase their rates. There are two reasons that this is worth discussing. Firstly, The Lake County Department of Utilities always assesses their rates in comparison with neighboring districts to ensure that Lake County residents are receiving a great product for a reasonable/affordable price. There are a handful of residents on North County Line Road who receive water from the Lake County Department of Utilities and are billed at the Ashtabula rate, however, their infrastructure is overseen by Ashtabula County. Mr. Armand added during a recent rain event, several areas experienced high water this past weekend. Crews were out on Sunday from 6:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. with no reported customer issues. He wished everyone a very Happy New Year.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES - none.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - none.

FINANCE - Mr. Matas reported budget hearings will be taking place in the next few weeks.

CLERK - none

LEGAL - none

OLD BUSINESS: - none.

NEW BUSINESS: - Commissioner Troy reported that CCAO approved the report of the Water Quality Taskforce. There were a significant number of recommendations regarding the water quality of Lake Erie.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Commissioner Troy asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. Becky Lynch of 9020 King Memorial in Mentor wanted clarification on agenda item #10 pertaining to Kirtland Hills that it should read services for Kirtland Hills Police Department only. Commissioner Troy responded that is correct, all fire calls are responded to by the Kirtland or Mentor Fire Departments.

Commissioner Troy wished all the citizens of Lake County a very Happy New Year and the next regular Commissioners Meeting will be held on Thursday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- Personnel - employment

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On a motion by Commissioner Moran seconded by Commissioner Malecek, the Board convened an Executive Session at 2:43 p.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 2:44 p.m.

The Lake County Board of Commissioners reconvened Executive Session at 2:45 p.m.

On a motion by Commissioner Malecek seconded by Commissioner Moran, the Board returned to open session at 3:04 p.m., with the vote as follows:

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

The Lake County Commissioners reconvened Open Session.

ADJOURN:

On a motion by Commissioner Malecek, seconded by Commissioner Moran, the Board adjourned the meeting at 3:10 p.m., with the vote as follows:

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

Minutes approved this seventh day of January, 2016.

**BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

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DANIEL P. TROY, PRESIDENT

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KEVIN D. MALECEK

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JUDY MORAN, COMMISSIONER

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JENNIFER BELL, CLERK