



# Board of Commissioners

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## COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CELEBRATE “NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH” IN LAKE COUNTY

PAINESVILLE, OH, April 21, 2022 – The Lake County Board of Commissioners is recognizing April as “National County Government Month” in an effort to highlight the work that is done every day to improve the lives of our residents and to celebrate those who make it all possible.

The Ohio Constitution defines a structure of county government that is organized around elected officials consisting of a 3-member Board of Commissioners, along with a Prosecutor, Auditor, Treasurer, Recorder, Engineer, Clerk of Courts, Sheriff, and Coroner. Lake County also supports the Court of Common Pleas (General Division, Domestic Relations Division, Probate Division, and Juvenile Division).

“Lake County is home to over 232,00 resident and not everyone realizes all the roles that county government plays on a daily basis,” stated Board President John Hamercheck, “and this designation is intended to recognize the professional efforts of our fellow public servants and staff.”

County Commissioners, with support from other elected officials and department heads, balance residents’ needs for critical services and programs through the management of taxpayer funds. The County Auditor, Treasurer, and Recorder all serve vital functions with regards to tax assessment, collection, and recording real estate transactions throughout the County. These functions provide the tax revenue to fund numerous County functions, with the greatest amount of resources being pledged to law enforcement and criminal justice.

The Sheriff, Prosecutor, Coroner, and Judges for Lake County play a key role in keeping the citizenry of the County safe. The Lake County Clerk of Courts is tasked with maintaining the records of the General Division and the Domestic Relations Division of the Common Pleas Court. Finally, the County Engineer maintains safe and accessible bridges and roadways for the citizenry.

“We are so pleased to recognize the work of county government in building stronger counties for a stronger Ohio,” remarked Commissioner John Plecnik. “Counties are the state’s partner in delivering

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critical services such as justice and public safety, infrastructure, child and adult protective services, veterans services, election administration, and more.”

Under the Commissioners’ leadership, Lake County operates a public utility providing water, wastewater, and solid waste services to a multitude of areas in the County. Also, the Lake County Department of Job and Family Services provides public assistance programs to the public, including programs for children and seniors.

Commissioner Ron Young added, “Lake County is proud of the programs and services we provide to our residents. I encourage all county citizens to explore the many ways our county serves them and helps to make it such a great place to call home.”

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