



Board of Commissioners

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County Commissioners Schedule Event Honoring Former Colleagues

The Board of Commissioners will be holding an event on May 12th, 2022 to honor all former Lake County Commissioners. Previous commissioners are invited to attend the event that will recognize (79) present and past Commissioners who faithfully dedicated their time and service in representing Lake County citizens for over 180 years.

County government plays a critical role in all Ohioans' lives and the role of a county commissioner is numerous and varied. They act as the administrative division of their states and when the state and federal government enact laws, the counties are responsible for implementing them. They are also faced with the task of approving budgets and maintaining sufficient revenue to administer the government and provide services to their constituents through the adoption of the annual county budget.

"This recognition is well-deserved as these individuals have served with distinction, some of them for many years," said Commission President John R. Hamercheck, "On behalf of Lake County, this Board is proud to commend their leadership and legacy," he continued.

The longest tenure held by a Lake County commissioner is (23) years and both Commissioner Charles D. Clark and John F. Platz hold that distinction. Clark served from 1933-1956 and Platz served from 1973-1996. Current commissioners consist of Board President John R. Hamercheck who has been serving since 2017, Commissioner Ron Young who has served since 2019, and Commissioner John Plecnik who was appointed to his seat in February of 2021.

"While the role and responsibilities of a commissioner provide great challenges, it is the closest level of government to the people so it is important to get it right in order to build a better future for our county," stated Commissioner John Plecnik. "For over 180 years, Lake County has been made up of a truly diverse group of leaders and I'm proud to be able to recognize and honor them as their legacy continues to impact our community."

"I am so pleased we are able to recognize these community leaders for their years of service to Lake County," noted Commissioner Ron Young. "They have shouldered their responsibilities with dedication and hard work and we are eternally grateful for their commitment."

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The event will begin at 9:00 a.m. on May 12, 2022 and be held on Building C of the Lake County Administration Center.

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