AUGUST 25, 2022

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

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(Tape 2022-0825)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Hamercheck called the Meeting to order at 10:07 a.m. Thursday, August 25, 2022.

ROLL CALL: Upon roll being called, Commissioners: Tyler, Plecnik and Hamercheck were present.

<u>OPEN TO THE PUBLIC</u>: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. Mr. John Muzik of 45 Coventry Drive in Painesville, discussed NOPEC and the percentage of people who are in arrearages over the utility bills. Commissioner Hamercheck stated NOPEC will soon be transferring their database to opt-out thus allowing their customers to search for the lowest rates possible since they can no longer offer the lowest rates. Commissioner Hamercheck also stated that NOPEC will be discussed at the next Mayors and Managers meeting.

Ms. Laura Bartchock from the Harriet Tubman Movement invited the Board and those in attendance to attend a vision night at Lakeland Community College. She explained that this organization acts as a bridge between rescue and long-term restoration for anyone caught in human trafficking or exploitation. She stated that Ohio ranks between 5th and 10th in human trafficking cases and that their goal is to open a safe home somewhere in Northeast Ohio.

Mr. Brian Massie of 8196 Rainbow Drive questioned item #6 on the agenda pertaining to the McKinley Outreach roof replacement. Commissioner Hamercheck explained that this faith-based organization provides food and clothing to people in need. The building needs a new roof. County Administrator, Mr. Jason Boyd, explained that this project meets the ARPA funds criteria. The project will cost \$894,000.

RESOLUTIONS:

1.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LAKE COUNTY ENGINEER TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S), AND TO EXECUTE AN OPWC AGREEMENT FOR THE LOCKWOOD ROAD RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT IN MADISON TOWNSHIP(20220825\E01)(E-3)

On a motion by Commissioner Tyler, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Tyler, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

2.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LAKE COUNTY ENGINEER TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S), AND TO EXECUTE AN OPWC AGREEMENT FOR THE COUNTY LINE ROAD RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT – PHASE II IN MADISON TOWNSHIP(20220825\E02)(E-3)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Tyler, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Tyler, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

3. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS IN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES OPERATING FUNDS(20220825\U01)(UT-2)

On a motion by Commissioner Tyler, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Tyler, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

4. RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL ESTIMATE NO. 4 (RELEASE OF RETAINAGE) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,794.31 WITH GARLAND/DBS, INC. AND ACCEPTING A THIRTY (30) YEAR HIGH PERFORMANCE EDGE-TO-EDGE NO DOLLAR LIMITED WARRANTY FOR THE MENTOR OPERATIONS BUILDING WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT 453-S FOR THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES (20220825\U02)(UT-12)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Tyler. Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger, explained that utilizing the U.S. Communities Program has brought the Department a lot of success with their pricing on projects. He explained that this is a national contracting program that provides competitive bids from across the country. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Tyler, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

5. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE RECOMMENDATION OF COMMISSIONER MARK A. TYLER TO DESIGNATE MYRANDA KEISTER TO SERVE AS HIS ALTERNATE ON THE LAKE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION(20220825\C01)(B-34)

On a motion by Commissioner Tyler, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Commissioner Tyler stated that he met with Ms. Keister and feels she will be an excellent fit. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Tyler, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

6. RESOLUTION AWARDING A BID CONTRACT TO BUILDING TECHNICIANS CORPORATION FOR THE MCKINLEY COMMUNITY OUTREACH CENTER ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT FOR THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS(20220825\C02)(B-34)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Tyler. County Administrator, Mr. Jason Boyd,

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stated that the Building Technicians Corporation was the lowest and best bidder. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Tyler, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

7.RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,043,060.76(20220825\BC01)(C-4)

On a motion by Commissioner Tyler, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Tyler, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

8.RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,999,453.78(20220825\BC02)(C-17)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Tyler, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Tyler, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

10. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20220825\BC03)(C-111)

On a motion by Commissioner Tyler, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Tyler, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

11. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20220825\BC04)(C-111)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Tyler, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Tyler, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

<u>UTILITIES</u> – Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger, stated that typically August and September show a rise in harmful algae blooms but due to the dry summer, the numbers are very low. He stated that they will continue to monitor and treat if and when necessary.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES - none.

<u>COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR</u> – Mr. Boyd gave a brief update on the Dry-Run for the Perry Nuclear Power Plant Exercise. He explained that this year and every 8 years the exercise includes a hostile action-based drill. He also stated that the Perry Nuclear Power Plant evaluated exercise will take place in late September. Commissioner Tyler stated that he was glad to be a part of this very important exercise.

Commissioner Tyler thanked Mr. Boyd for continuing to arrange tours of various departments for him. This week he met with County Auditor Galloway.

<u>FINANCE</u> – none.

<u>CLERK</u> – Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, stated that the next Commissioners Meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 30, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

LEGAL - none.

OLD BUSINESS: - none.

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>: Commissioner Hamercheck spoke of the Deepwood Idol Event he and the Board had the pleasure of judging this past weekend at the Mentor Amphitheater. Commissioner Plecnik stated that Deepwood has posted an hour-long video showcasing all of the entries in the Idol event.

Commissioner Hamercheck discussed HB 422 which deals with billing for municipal utility, other services and limitations on recovery and lien imposition by municipalities against property owners of non-owner-occupied properties for unpaid water, sewer, and disposal services rates and charges.

Commissioner Plecnik shared that he recently had an interview with CBS News Chicago to discuss Lake County's fight to end the Opioid epidemic as 19 counties in Illinois are preparing to file a similar suit against Big Pharma.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. Mr. Brian Massie of 8196 Rainbow Drive, discussed the Budget Commission, County levies and the hardship on residents with the high taxes. Commissioner Hamercheck stated that he is in the process of reviewing Title 57. The Board of Commissioners are the taxing authority for the ADAMHS, Crime Lab and Senior Levy. Mr. Massie and Commissioner Hamercheck discussed Deepwood detailing centralized care and non-centralized care changes.

<u>EXECUTIVE SESSION</u>: On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck, the Board convened an Executive Session at 10:43 a.m. to discuss Real Estate- Acquisition with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Tyler, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

The Lake County Board of Commissioners adjourned to Executive Session at 12:35 p.m.

<u>ADJOURN:</u> On a motion by Commissioner Tyler seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the Board adjourned the meeting at 12:35 p.m. with the vote as follows: " "AYES": Commissioners: Tyler, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

Minutes approved this eighth day of September, 2022.

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