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LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

JOHN R HAMERCHECK, COMMISSIONER JASON W. BOYD, ADMINISTRATOR
JOHN PLECNIK, COMMISSIONER LEGAL COUNSEL
MARK A. TYLER, COMMISSIONER MIKE MATAS, BUDGET DIRECTOR
JENNIFER BELL, CLERK NEWS MEDIA

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(Tape 2022-1013)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Hamercheck called the Meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. Thursday, October 13, 2022.

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

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. Senior Services Manager, Mrs. Alyea Barajas gave an update on the Caregiver Forum she hosted yesterday. Mrs. Barajas reported that yesterday's caregiver forum was the first of its kind in Lake County. The forum was intended to connect providers caregivers of older adults to make them aware of the array of services available in Lake County. They had 28 vendor organizations participating and received a lot of great feedback such as how the forum allowed organizations to really connect in a meaningful way with guests. Three questions were posted on the wall to allow caregivers, or older adults, to express what they felt they needed, wanted, and what some of their challenges are in order to explore some of the needs and perceived gaps of caregivers. We plan to compile this information and share it with our vendors so that we may better communicate information on services that already exist and to identify some of the gaps in services. She explained that many guests commented that they were not aware of the extent of senior services available in Lake County. She briefly reminded everyone that the senior services levy is a vital component to ensuring we are able to continue to meet the needs of older adults, especially considering nearly 30% of Lake County's population is 60 years old and older. The Levy is up for renewal on the November 8th ballot. The levy provides funding to 14 different agencies and provides critical services to older adults. Some of these services include home delivered and congregate meals, home maintenance projects, case management services, home maker services, Adult Protective Services, the Volunteer Guardian Program, operations at nine area senior centers, and non-medical in-home care services.

Mr. John Muzik of 45 Coventry Drive in Painesville Township, thanked Lake County Senior Services for always protecting the seniors of Lake County. He stated that Lake County is lucky to have a strong court system.

RESOLUTIONS:

1.RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR MCKINLEY CROSSING SUBDIVISION IN PAINESVILLE TOWNSHIP(20221013\E01)(SD-442)

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

2.RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 WITH NERONE & SONS, INC. FOR HAZEL AVENUE SANITARY SEWER REHABILITATION PROJECT NO 402-S DECREASING THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT BY \$173,814.00(20221013\U01)(UT-4)

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

3.RESOLUTION CERTIFYING UNPAID WATER AND SEWER SUMS AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES TO THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR(20221013\U02)(UT-7)

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

4.RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$426,619.77 FOR SANITARY SEWERS FOR MCKINLEY CROSSING SUBDIVISION IN PAINESVILLE TOWNSHIP (JOB NO. 22-15)(20221013\U03)(SD-442)

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

5.RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$316,764.28 FOR WATERLINES FOR MCKINLEY CROSSING SUBDIVISION IN PAINESVILLE TOWNSHIP (JOB NO. 22-14)(20221013\U04)(SD-442)

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

6.RESOLUTION APPOINTING LIZ MILLER TO THE GREAT LAKES OHIO REGIONAL PREVENTION COUNCIL AS A COUNTY PREVENTION SPECIALIST TO COMPLETE THE REMAINDER OF A TWO-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2023(20221013\JFS01)(B-193)

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

7.RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT OCTOBER 21, 2022, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$566,297.74(20221013\JFS02)(JFS-14)

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

8.RESOLUTION AWARDING A BID CONTRACT TO LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING TO ADMINISTER AND MANAGE A NON-MEDICAL IN-HOME PROGRAM FOR ADULTS AGE 60 AND OLDER FOR THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS(20221013\C01)(C-20)

On a motion by Commissioner Tyler, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Mr. Joe Tomsick, from the Lake County Council on Aging, stated that they have been administering this program since 2019. He also stated that their providers served 92 clients last year and he thanked the agency providers, Comfort Keepers and Home Instead. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Tyler and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

9.RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,856,380.34 (20221013\BC01)(C-4)

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

10.RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,366,967.01(20221013\BC02)(C-17)

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

11. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20221013\BC03)(C-111)

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

12. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20221013\BC04)(C-111)

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

13. PROCLAIMING OCTOBER 2022 BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN LAKE COUNTY, OHIO(20221013\F01)(C-126)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Tyler. Commissioner Plecnik stated that this is a difficult subject for many people and stressed the importance of increased awareness and early treatment. He stated that his own mother is a breast cancer survivor. Commissioner Hamercheck pointed out that breast cancer risk, while low, can also affect men. Commissioner Tyler stated that wide spread awareness is very important. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Tyler and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES – none.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES –Director of Job and Family Services, Ms. Suzanne Casar stated that the Ohio public health emergency continues and that she will continue to keep the Board updated on any changes. She also stated that current Medicaid recipients should be prepared to update their contact information and explained that they can do so by stopping by Job and Family Services in person or by calling 1-800-324-8680 to update over the phone.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - none.

FINANCE – none.

CLERK – Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, stated that the next Commissioners Meeting will be held on Thursday, October 20, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS: - none.

NEW BUSINESS: Commissioner Hamercheck read the following email from Lifeline Executive Director, Ms. Carrie Dotson: "Ohio AIRS, the statewide 211 governing body, has engaged lobbyists from several of the metropolitan United Ways to help us advocate for statewide funding for 211—Ohio is one of only a few states that currently does not fund their 211's with state funding. Ohio AIRS is working with ODJFS to try to get it entered as a line item in their statewide operating budget. Right now, we're working on building support for that ask. We would love to have broad support from Lake County for this request—we know that it would help us alleviate the strain that only having local dollars to support 211 causes!" Ms. Dotson asked for the support of the Commissioner's Office regarding this state funding.

Commissioner Tyler stated that he had an opportunity to tour Project Hope with Director, Ms. Judy Burr, and Mr. John Hutchison. He also participated in a meet and greet with Lake County Public Defender, Ms. Vanessa Clapp, and one of the Assistant Public Defenders, Ms. Melissa Blake.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. Mr. Joe Tomsick, from the Lake County Council on Aging spoke on the Lake County Senior Services Levy stating that this is a renewal and not an increase. He stressed the importance of the levy as it provides critical support for home-delivered and congregate meals, homemaker services, case management and home maintenance services to name

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just a few. He gave statistics on the aging population in Lake County and asked for everyone's support of Issue 5 this November.

ADJOURN: On a motion by Commissioner Tyler seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the Board adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m. with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Tyler and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

Minutes approved this twentieth day of October, 2022.

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