

SEPTEMBER 29, 2022

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 2022-0929)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Hamercheck called the Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, September 29, 2022.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon a motion by Commissioner Tyler, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 15, 2022 were approved with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Tyler and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

Commissioner Hamercheck congratulated and introduced Mr. Steven Houser on passing the Professional Engineer Exam and receiving his Professional Engineer License. Mr. Houser thanked the Board for the recognition. He also thanked Stormwater Manager, Mr. Tim Miller, Lake County Engineer, Mr. Jim Gills, County Administrator, Mr. Jason Boyd and Director of Administrative Services, Mr. Joel DiMare for their assistance and guidance over the past 4 ½ years as he gained the experience and knowledge necessary to pass the Professional Engineer License exam. As a Professional Engineer himself, Commissioner Tyler congratulated Mr. Houser and read the special certificate in its entirety.

ITEM #1 WAS MOVED:

**1. RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE LAKE COUNTY CAPTAINS FOR EARNING THE TITLE OF MIDWEST LEAGUE EASTERN DIVISION CHAMPIONS(20220929\F01)(C-126)**

On a motion by Commissioner Tyler, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Commissioner Plecnik read the resolution in its entirety. Lake County Captains Assistant General Manager, Drew LaFollette, was present and thanked the Board for the recognition. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Tyler and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. No one present wished to address the Board at this time.

RESOLUTIONS:

**2.RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL ESTIMATE NO. 4 (RELEASE OF RETAINAGE) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,188.00 WITH D. B. BENTLEY, INC. AND ACCEPTING A THREE-YEAR MAINTENANCE BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,260.00 FOR THE HULETT & JENNISON WATERLINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT 434-W FOR THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES(20220929\U01)(UT-12)**

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Tyler. Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger stated that this is a part of their Capital Improvement Projects and this resolution will close out the project. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Tyler and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

**3.RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES WATER OPERATING FUND(20220929\U02)(UT-2)**

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.

**4.RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH FROM LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES SEWER OPERATING FUND TO PROJECT FUNDS 501 AND 596 FOR NOTE PAYMENTS DUE OCTOBER 12, 2022(20220929\U03)(UT-2)**

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.

**5.RESOLUTION CERTIFYING UNPAID WATER AND SEWER SUMS AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES TO THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR(20220929\U04)(UT-7)**

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.

**6.RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$369,500.00 FOR LAKE COUNTY SOLID WASTE FACILITY PERIMETER SECURITY FENCE PROJECT NO 444-L, AND ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR SAME (Bid Opening: October 19,2022)(20220929\U05)(UT-8)**

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.

**7.RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$111,493.03 FOR SANITARY SEWERS FOR BOOTH FARMS PHASE II SUBDIVISION IN PERRY VILLAGE (JOB NO. 21-65) (20220929\U06)(SD-441)**

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.

**8.RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$69,829.10 FOR A WATERLINE FOR BOOTH FARMS PHASE II SUBDIVISION IN PERRY VILLAGE (JOB NO. 21-64) (20220929\U07)(SD-441)**

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.

**9.RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT OCTOBER 7, 2022, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$91,603.21(20220929\JFS01)(JFS-14)**

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.

**10. RESOLUTION APPOINTING GEOFFREY M. VARGA TO THE LAKE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION AS THE MEMBER FROM THE LARGEST MUNICIPAL CORPORATION FOR A TERM BEGINNING AUGUST 15, 2022 AND EXPIRING AUGUST 14, 2025(20220929\C01)(B-34)**

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.

**11. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY STORMWATER MANAGEMENT DIVISION AND THE CITY OF EASTLAKE FOR THE PLYMOUTH DRIVE AND QUENTIN ROAD STORM OUTFALL EMERGENCY REPAIRS PROJECT(20220929\C02)(UT46a)**

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.

**12. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LAKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 168 AND 174 N. ST. CLAIR STREET IN THE CITY OF PAINESVILLE, OHIO(20220929\C03)(209-z-44)**

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.

**13. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR (20220929\C04)(C-9)**

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.

**14. RESOLUTION INCREASING THE PRECINCT ELECTION OFFICIALS (FORMERLY "POLL WORKERS") WHO SERVE IN EACH PRECINCT FOR THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS BEGINNING IN CALENDAR YEAR 2023(20220929\C05)(C-5)**

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.

**15. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO UTILIZE FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY UNDER THE CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS KNOWN AS THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 FOR COVID RELATED HEALTH CARE CLAIMS(20220929\C06)(C-107)**

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.

**16. RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,106,082.22(20220929\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.

**17. RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$597,271.57(20220929\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.

**18. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20220929\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.

**19. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20220929\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.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES – Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger, discussed the success of the Household Hazardous Waste Collections.

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JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – Ms. Casar reminded everyone of the upcoming Foster Parent dinner fundraiser in conjunction with LaVera Party Center and how \$20 of every meal is donated to the Foster Parent Association. Anyone interested may visit the LaVera Party Center website to order and choose a pickup time and location of either Jobs and Family Services or the party center

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - Mr. Boyd gave a brief update on the Perry Nuclear Power Plant exercise which included a hostile action-based drill. He thanked everyone that was involved and stated that the drill went extremely well.

FINANCE – none.

CLERK – Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, stated that the next Commissioners Meeting will be held on Thursday, October 6, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS: - none.

NEW BUSINESS: Commissioner Plecnik stated that this was his second PNPP drill and that this year was hostile action based. He stated the importance of this drill and how it ensures that the County and its officials are prepared to do whatever it takes to help in a disaster.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. County Recorder, Ms. Becky Lynch, asked for prayers for her sister and all those that were victims of Hurricane Ian.

Mr. John Muzik of 45 Coventry Drive in Painesville, referred to item#14 on the agenda and thanked the Commissioners for passing this resolution.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Tyler, the Board convened an Executive Session at 10:43 a.m. to discuss Personnel-Collective Bargaining and Legal-Pending Litigation with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Tyler and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

The Lake County Board of Commissioners adjourned to Executive Session at 10:45 a.m.

ADJOURN: On a motion by Commissioner Tyler seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the Board adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m. with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Tyler and Hamercheck "NAYS": None. Minutes approved this twenty-ninth day of November, 2022.

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