

OCTOBER 6, 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 2022-1006)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Hamercheck called the Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, October 6, 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. Commissioner Plecnik read the list of the Lakeland Scholarship recipients: Sandra Breeden, Brittany Culliton, Tara Deets, Devin Diekmann, Moriah Haffey, Olivia Napoli, Mackenzie Parker, Brittany Rauscher, Tyara Sanders, and Rya Scott. Ms. Sandra Breeden was present to receive her certificate.

RESOLUTIONS:

1.RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 2022 AS DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH (20221006\F01)(C-126)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Tyler. Ms. Elfie Roman, Deepwood Superintendent, stated that Deepwood will be engaging in a variety of activities to educate its community on disability employment issues and its commitment to an inclusive work culture. She thanked the Board for recognizing National Disability Employment Awareness Month and introduced Mr. Ryan Wagner from Ohio Living. Mr. Wagner also thanked the Board. He stated that Ohio Living, Breckinridge employs several people with disabilities and they are consistent, hardworking employees that the residents love to be around. Commissioner Plecnik stated that he is grateful for this program and how the County values all youth and adult with disabilities who are job and career seekers. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Tyler, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

2.RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES WATER AND SEWER OPERATING FUNDS(20221006\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.

3.RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING CASH FROM LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES PROJECT FUND 595- AQUARIUS RAW GENERATOR IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT 398-W AND THE WATER OPERATING FUND(20221006\U02)(UT-2)

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.

4.RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING CASH FROM LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES PROJECT FUND 596-MENTOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATIONS BUILDING ROOF PROJECT 453-S AND THE SEWER OPERATING FUND(20221006\U03)(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.

5.RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$22,317.24 FOR SHANDLE BOULEVARD SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION, JOB NO. 22-30 IN CITY OF MENTOR(20221006\U08)(UT-9)

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.

6.RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A THREE- YEAR COMBINED MAINTENANCE BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,219.58 FOR SANITARY SEWERS AND WATERLINES FOR BOOTH FARMS PHASE 1A SUBDIVISION IN PERRY VILLAGE (JOB NO. 22-27 & 22-28)(20221006\U04)(SD-441)

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.

7.RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A THREE- YEAR COMBINED MAINTENANCE BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$21,285.96 FOR SANITARY SEWERS AND WATERLINES FOR BOOTH FARMS PHASE 1B SUBDIVISION IN PERRY VILLAGE (JOB NO. 21-11 & 21-12)(20221006\U05)(SD-441)

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.

8.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LAKE COUNTY SANITARY ENGINEER TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED FOR GRACE COURT SANITARY REHABILITATION PROJECT IN THE CITY OF MENTOR(20221006\U06)(UT-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.

9.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LAKE COUNTY SANITARY ENGINEER TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED FOR LAKESHORE WATERLINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT 448-W IN THE CITY OF WILLOWICK(20221006\U07)(UT-4)

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 PROVIDING FOR \$660,000 NOTE RENEWAL FOR THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES PROJECT 408-S(20221006\U09)(UT-15)

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 PROVIDING FOR \$1,875,000 NOTE RENEWAL FOR THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES PROJECT 336-S(20221006\U10)(UT-15)

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.

12. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES AND THE COMMUNICATIONS WORKERS OF AMERICA, AFL-CIO, LOCAL 4340(20221006\JFS01)(JFS-2)

On a motion by Commissioner Tyler, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Director of Job and Family Services, Ms. Casar, stated that after a couple months of negotiations, all parties have come to an agreement that is fair to both employer and employee. Commissioner Plecnik thanked everyone for coming together for this agreement. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Tyler, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

13. RESOLUTION INCREASING THE PRE-ELECTION TRAINING PAY FOR PRECINCT ELECTION OFFICIALS (FORMERLY "POLL WORKERS") AND VOTING LOCATION MANAGERS (FORMERLY "PRESIDING JUDGE") WHO SERVE FOR THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS(20221006\C01)(C-5)

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.

14. RESOLUTION AMENDING THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE LAKE COUNTY BUILDING INSPECTION DEPARTMENT, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023(20221006\C02)(C-6)

On a motion by Commissioner Tyler, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Commissioner Hamercheck stated that this resolution represents a direct pass through of permit fees. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Tyler, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

15. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PAINESVILLE CITY COMMERCIAL GRANT AND LOAN PROGRAM LOAN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND LIBERTY PAINESVILLE, LLC FOR \$30,000 UTILIZING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS(20221006\C03)(C-46)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Tyler. Assistant Director of Planning and Community Development, Ms. Rhea Benton, stated that this agreement with the City of Painesville is for a vacant commercial space that will become a restaurant and is minority owned. Ms. Phoenix Buathier, Director of Planning for the City of Painesville, stated that this restaurant will be an ice cream shop called the YumYum and is minority owned. The funds will be used to assist them with plumbing and electrical upgrades amongst other repairs and improvements. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Tyler, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

16. RESOLUTION DECLARING THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE BEGINNING NOVEMBER 10, 2022(20221006\C04)(C-107)

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.

17. RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING HOLIDAYS FOR WHICH THE COUNTY OFFICES CLOSE DURING THE YEAR 2023(20221006\C05)(C-107)

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.

18. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$261,554.00 FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY CRIME LABORATORY, EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2024(20221006\C06)(CT-18)

On a motion by Commissioner Tyler, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Commissioner Hamercheck stated that this grant will be used for instrumentation and Commissioner Tyler added that it will also be used to assist the experts in the field. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Tyler, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

19. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE RECOMMENDATION OF PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER GEOFFREY M. VARGA TO DESIGNATE JOHN PERKOVICH AS HIS ALTERNATE(20221006\C07)(B-34)

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.

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20.RESOLUTION INCREASING AND DECREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20221006\BC01) (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.

21.RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20221006\BC02) (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.

22. RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,968,428.84(20221006\BC03)(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.

23. RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$977,600.52(20221006\BC04)(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.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES – none.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – none.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - Mr. Boyd gave a brief update on the Perry Nuclear Power Plant evaluated exercise, stating that this Hostile Base Action Evaluated (HAB) Exercise, for the Energy Harbor Perry Nuclear Power Plant (PNPP), was a culmination of over 18 months of planning by public and private agencies. He stated that the drill included over 510 participants on Sept. 27th and that the County performed extremely well and met all of the requirements. It was relayed at the debriefing how well the Executive room participants performed with asking questions, considering different scenarios and making very informed decisions. The evaluators noted that the amount of input and dedication displayed by the Commissioners and Sheriff is to be commended. Mr. Boyd thanked and complimented everyone involved. Commissioner Hamercheck complimented Mr. Boyd for his continued hard work and how he has played a key role in the planning of this exercise. He stated that the FEMA Deputy Director made a point to come to Lake County to meet Mr. Boyd and the team personally. Commissioner Hamercheck stated that Mr. Boyd has laid the groundwork and relayed his vision for many things, beginning with the planning of the new Administration Center and the first virtual nuclear drill in the U.S. He spoke of Mr. Boyd's tenacity, vision, professionalism, and leadership. Commissioner Plecnik stated that it was very obvious to him that all of those involved in the exercise had the safety of Lake County residents in mind. Commissioner Tyler shared that he has been involved in Perry Nuclear drills in the past but in a different capacity. This years drill was the most sophisticated scenario that he has seen on so many levels.

FINANCE – none.

CLERK – Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, stated the next Commissioners Meeting will be held on Thursday, Oct. 13th at 10:00 a.m. and that County offices will be closed on Monday, Oct. 10th in observance of Columbus Day.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS: - none.

NEW BUSINESS: Commissioner Hamercheck reported that the CCAO Metropolitan and Regional Affairs Committee has announced its committee's legislative platform. One of the committee priorities is jail funding. Commissioner Hamercheck read the following from a committee update: Many county jail facilities are overcrowded and are aging beyond their intended useful life. Metropolitan counties are faced with the need to make major renovations to these facilities or replace them entirely. CCAO appreciates the \$50 million dedicated to county jails in the two most recent capital budgets, but the state should increase the level of resources devoted to this purpose.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. No one present wished to address the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck, the Board convened an Executive Session at 10:43 a.m. to discuss 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 11:15 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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