

OCTOBER 20, 2022

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

JOHN R HAMERCHECK, COMMISSIONER	JASON W. BOYD, ADMINISTRATOR
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JENNIFER BELL, CLERK	NEWS MEDIA

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(Tape 2022-1020)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Hamercheck called the Meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. Thursday, October 20, 2022.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Tyler, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 13, 2022 were approved with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Tyler, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board.

County Recorder, Ms. Becky Lynch, introduced her longtime employee Diane Barrish. Ms. Barrish is retiring on October 28, 2022 – (hire date October 28, 1985) who had exactly 37 years of working with much dedication in the Recorder Department. Commissioner Hamercheck read the Special Certificate in its entirety and the Board presented it to Ms. Barrish and wished her well on her retirement.

Commissioner Hamercheck introduced Mr. Matt Myers to speak on the launch of a new OhioMeansJobs workforce podcast. Mr. Myers stated that the mission of North Coast Careers is to be an innovative platform to inform and inspire residents, jobs seekers, and business owners by generating open dialogue with community leaders, subject matter experts, and local industry specialists from the public and private sector to focus on workforce issues, career services, and local information that matter to the people of Ohio’s North Coast. He also stated that the first three episodes of North Coast Careers are currently available ad-free and can be found on a variety of online podcast directories including Apple, Google, Spotify, and Stitcher. Follow the podcast or subscribe today to get instant notifications and to stay up to date on various workforce activity happening in Lake County. To learn more or to guest spot on an episode, please contact OhioMeansJobs Lake County at 440-396-0563.

Mr. Brian Massie of 8196 Rainbow Drive, referred to item #9 on the agenda and questioned the \$1 million expense for telephones. County Administrator, Mr. Jason Boyd, stated that the account number is correct but the description was a clerical error, it has been corrected, and should now read “contracts-projects”.

RESOLUTIONS:

1.RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING NOVEMBER 2022 NATIONAL ADOPTION AWARENESS MONTH IN LAKE COUNTY, OHIO(20221020\F01)(C-126)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Tyler. Director of Job and Family Services, Ms. Suzanne Casar, briefly discussed the adoption process and expressed her gratitude to the Board for recognizing National Adoption Awareness Month. She introduced social worker, Ms. Megan Ash. Ms. Ash also thanked the Board and explained the importance of fostering children and adoption. She stated that from 2021 to the present, they have placed 14 children into permanent homes. Commissioner Plecnik read the proclamation in its entirety. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Tyler, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

2.RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING CASH WITHIN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES SOLID WASTE OPERATING FUND AND PROJECT FUND 597(20221020\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 INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING CASH WITHIN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES WATER OPERATING FUND AND PROJECT FUND 595, E. 357TH STREET WATERLINE PROJECT 459-W (20221020\U02)(UT-2)

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

4.RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS IN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES WATER & SEWER OPERATING FUNDS(20221020\U03)(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.

5.RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING CASH WITHIN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES SEWER OPERATING FUND AND PROJECT FUND 596, KIRTLAND-OLD TOWN SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT 445-S(20221020\U04)(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.

6.RESOLUTION OF THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ALLOCATING FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT TREASURY UNDER THE CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS KNOWN AS THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 FOR ARCOLA CREEK/BENNETT ROAD SEWER INTERCONNECT (20221020\C01)(C-107)

On a motion by Commissioner Tyler, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. County Administrator, Mr. Jason Boyd, stated that this is the eighth or ninth ARPA allocation for the County. Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger, explained that this may be the biggest project they have done in the County. He stated that the purpose of this project is to regionalize the sanitary sewer systems in the eastern end of the County. Once complete, the wastewater will be transported via the new sewer system and treated at the Lake County Wastewater Treatment Facility. Commissioner Hamercheck explained that this project will involve the decommissioning of the Madison lift station. Commissioner Tyler asked when they will break ground for this project. Mr. Rothlisberger responded that the project will go out to bid in February or March of 2023. 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 \$1,313,372.35(20221020\BC01)(C-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.

8.RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$950,577.89(20221020\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.

9.RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20221020\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.

10.RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND AN APPROPRIATION WITHIN NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20221020\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:

UTILITIES – Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger, reminded everyone that the Board of Lake County Commissioners will hold a public hearing on October 27, 2022 at 7:00 o'clock p.m. at Kirtland High School. The purpose of the meeting is regarding the Kirtland Old Town Sanitary Sewer Project and will provide the residents with an opportunity to voice objections and ask questions.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES –none.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – Mr. Boyd reported that he has been in attendance for the planning and construction meetings for the Eastlake Captains Stadium clubhouse improvement project. He explained that this project met the ARPA funding requirements and should be completed by the spring of 2022.

Commissioner Tyler thanked Mr. Boyd for setting up the meet and greets he has attended. He recently met with the Common Pleas Judges as well as the Domestic Relations Judge and was able to attend the Sheriff's staff meeting.

FINANCE – none.

CLERK – Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, stated that the next Commissioners Meeting will be held on Thursday, October 27, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS: - none.

NEW BUSINESS: Commissioner Hamercheck introduced Ms. Dyan Denmeade, Director of Nursing and Community Health Services for the Lake County General Health District, to give an update on immunizations. Ms. Denmeade stated that in July their clinic administered 17 immunizations, in August there were 96, and in September they provided 91 to children throughout Lake County. She thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak and announced that they had to add additional dates to their vaccine clinic for the month of October. Commissioner Plecnik invited everyone to attend the NAACP Freedom Fund banquet being held this evening. He explained that this event will provide scholarships to students in need.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. Mr. Brian Massie of 8196 Rainbow Drive, spoke of new Imagine program by Lake County Board of Developmental Disabilities/Deepwood Industries. He stated that there are currently 10 autistic workers that are creating dog biscuits and he encouraged any dog owner to visit the Deepwood website and make a purchase. He also discussed a 10-year study he did regarding the Local Government Fund and police protection and also the impact COVID had on school performance.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION: On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Tyler, the Board convened an Executive Session at 10:53 a.m. to discuss Real Estate – Property Acquisition with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Tyler and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

The Lake County Board of Commissioners adjourned to Executive Session at 10:55 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 tenth day of November, 2022.

BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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