

FEBRUARY 14, 2023

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

JOHN R HAMERCHECK, COMMISSIONER JASON W. BOYD, ADMINISTRATOR
JOHN PLECNIK, COMMISSIONER LEGAL COUNSEL
RICHARD J. REGOVICH, COMMISSIONER MIKE MATAS, BUDGET DIRECTOR
JENNIFER BELL, CLERK NEWS MEDIA

(Tape 2023-0214)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Hamercheck called the Meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 14, 2023

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

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. Mr. David Lima of 7774 Litchfield Drive in Mentor read a prepared statement regarding the proposed new jail, crime rate statistics, and various other statistics. Commissioner Hamercheck addressed several of Mr. Lima's points by responding that 46% of the crimes being committed in Lake County are not Lake County residents, that both convicted and non-convicted felons receive the same level of care and continuum of care, and how we need to also focus on reducing recidivism with a comprehensive plan.

Mr. John Muzik of 45 Coventry Drive in Painesville, supports all law enforcement.

The Board continued to discuss the justice system, jail, crime and several other judicial topics with Chief Deputy Izzo and Concord Township Trustee, Mr. Morgan McIntosh.

RESOLUTIONS:

1.RESOLUTION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE LAK-PROUTY ROAD (CR 414) RESURFACING PROJECT IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP, OHIO; PID NO. 115910; FEDERAL AID NO. FAN E220(308); LCE PROJECT NO. 2021-016 (Bid Opening March 15, 2023)(20230214\E01)(E-2)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Regovich. County Engineer, Mr. Jim Gills, stated that this is a federal project with 80/20 funding. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

2.RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING CASH FROM LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES SEWER OPERATING FUND TO PROJECT FUND 596, PROJECT 465-S BROOKDALE ROAD SANITARY SEWER REHABILITATION(20230214\U01)(UT-2)

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

3.RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$508,786.00 FOR WALNUT STREET WATERLINE PROJECT NO 449-W, AND ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR SAME (Bid Opening March 15, 2023)(20230214\U02)(UT-8)

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

4.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR LAWN MAINTENANCE SERVICE FOR THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES (Bid Opening March 8, 2023)(20230214\U03)(UT-8)

On a motion by Commissioner Regovich, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger stated that the decision was made several years ago that this was a more efficient way to handle the lawn care. There are over 50 sites that need tending to. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

5.RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT FEBRUARY 24, 2023, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$605,547.87(20230214\JFS01)(JFS-14)

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

6.RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$151,970.00, EFFECTIVE THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023(20230214\C01)(504)

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

7.RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,261,274.16(20230214\BC01)(C-4)

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

8.RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,742,132.59(20230214\BC02)(C-17)

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

**9.RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20230214\BC03)(C-111)**

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

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES – none.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – none.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – Mr. Jason Boyd, stated that he attended the Willoughby Western Lake County Chamber State of the Cities event this morning and shared the many thanks offered to the County for all the support offered. He also stated that there were Budget Hearings this afternoon that were televised on YouTube. Due to scheduling conflicts, the Budget Hearings scheduled for February 21<sup>st</sup> will be rescheduled and the new date will be posted on the County website. Commissioner Regovich wished Mr. Boyd a Happy Birthday.

FINANCE – none.

CLERK – Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, stated that the next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Thursday , February 23, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS: none.

NEW BUSINESS: Commissioner Hamercheck stated that he, along with his wife, had the opportunity to attend an event at Mt. Mariah Church for Black History Month. Bishop Mirabel thanked Commissioner and Mrs. Hamercheck for attending the service from the beginning until the end and noted that it was a very, very long service. He stated how appreciative everyone was for their attendance.

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

ADJOURN: On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik seconded by Commissioner Regovich, the Board adjourned the meeting at 2:53 p.m. with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

Minutes approved this thirteenth day of April, 2023.

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