

APRIL 6, 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 2023-0406)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Hamercheck called the Meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. Thursday, April 6, 2023

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon a motion by Commissioner Regovich, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 5, 2023, were approved with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Regovich, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. Former Clerk of Court, Ms. Maureen Kelly, addressed several disparaging remarks recently made by Clerk of Courts Ms. Faith Andrews.

Mr. John Muzik of 45 Coventry Drive, Painesville acknowledged the work of the dispatch center.

The following residents read prepared statements pertaining to the road closures/potential closures :

Captain Sopko on behalf of the Madison Fire Chief, Leroy Fire Chief Mike Toman and Madison resident Tammy Gaber.

RESOLUTIONS:

1.RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF APRIL 9 - 15, 2023 NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK(20230406\F01)(C-126)

On a motion by Commissioner Regovich, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Capt. Dan Bachnicki was present and thanked the Board for recognizing the importance of telecommunicators. He stated that in 2022, the dispatch center received 83,000 emergency calls. Of those, 69,000 were received from cellular devices. In addition, they received 265,000 non-emergency calls. Commissioner Plecnik read the resolution in its entirety. The Board commended Captain Bachnicki and his staff for their hard work keeping the residents of Lake County safe. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

2.RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF APRIL, 2023 NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH IN LAKE COUNTY, OHIO(20230406\F02)(C-126)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Regovich. Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, stated that CCAO asked that all 88 counties in the State recognize National County Government Month. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

3.RESOLUTION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR ROADWAY MATERIALS - 2023 FOR THE LAKE COUNTY ENGINEER'S ROAD DEPARTMENT, LCE PROJECT NO. 2022-002 (Bid Opening April 26, 2023)(20230406\E01)(E-2)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Regovich. County Engineer, Mr. James Gills, stated that this is an annual resolution for repairs to berms, potholes and roads. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

4.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR THE LAK-SANCTUARY DRIVE BRIDGE PROJECT WITH THE JD WILLIAMSON CONSTRUCTION CO., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,479.00, PID NO. 113455; LCE PROJECT NO. 2015-017-002(20230406\E02)(E-3)

On a motion by Commissioner Regovich, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Mr. Gills stated that after an ODOT review, there is additional work they are requiring and there will be an 80/20 grant. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

5.RESOLUTION AMENDING THE AMOUNT OF THE CONSTRUCTION SURETY FOR THE VILLAS AT CANTERWOOD FARM ESTATES PHASE 2 SUBDIVISION IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP(20230406\E03)(SD-443)

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.

6.RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING CASH WITHIN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES WATER OPERATING FUND AND PROJECT FUND 595, WEST END SERVICE CENTER FUEL STORAGE TANK REPLACEMENT PROJECT 469-W-2023(20230406\U01)(UT-2)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Regovich. Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger, stated that these underground tanks are more than 40 years old and the new, replacement tanks will be placed above ground. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

7.RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$108,966.00 FOR CAPITAL PARKWAY SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP (JOB NO. 22-42) (20230406\U02)(UT-9)

On a motion by Commissioner Regovich, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Mr. Rothlisberger, stated that this resolution pertains to the gas collection system at the Landfill. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

8.RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL ESTIMATE NO. 4 (RELEASE OF RETAINAGE) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$37,253.60 WITH INSITUFORM TECHNOLOGIES, LLC AND ACCEPTING A THREE-YEAR MAINTENANCE BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$90,902.76 FOR LAKESHORE BOULEVARD SEWER LINING IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT 438-S FOR THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES(20230406\U03)(UT-12)

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.

9.RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING CASH WITHIN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES WATER OPERATING FUND AND PROJECT FUND 595, WALNUT STREET WATERLINE PROJECT 449-W(20230406\U04)(UT-2)

On a motion by Commissioner Regovich, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Commissioner Hamercheck stated that this is due to a clerical error and the following resolution is a corrected version with a new bid opening date. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

10.RESOLUTION CERTIFYING UNPAID WATER AND SEWER SUMS AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES TO THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR(20230406\U05)(UT-7)

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.

11.RESOLUTION AWARDED BID CONTRACT TO TER SERVICES FOR LAWN CARE MAINTENANCE FOR THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES(20230406\U06)(UT-4)

On a motion by Commissioner Regovich, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Mr. Rothlisberger, stated that this is an annual resolution for lawn care to more than 70 sites throughout the County. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

12.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION FROM LAKE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND APPROVING THE CONTRACT FOR A LAKESHORE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FOR THE LAKE METROPARKS LAKEFRONT TRAIL PROJECT(20230406\C01)(209g)

On a motion by Commissioner Regovich, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. County Administrator, Mr. Jason Boyd explained that there are Bed Tax dollars earmarked for specific coastal/lakeshore projects. This particular project is for the Lake MetroParks Trail Project in Painesville Township. Commissioner Plecnik stated that this is a long term, good investment for the County. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

13.RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION AND APPROVING THE CONTINUATION OF THE ENTERPRISE ZONE AGREEMENT BETWEEN WESTON JET CENTER ROAD, LLC AND THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY(20230406\C02)(C-99)

On a motion by Commissioner Regovich, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Mr. Boyd explained that this and the following resolution pertain to the approval of the Tax Incentive Review Councils recommendation to continue with the enterprise zone agreements currently in place. He stated that these companies have met or exceeded the expectations in the agreement. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

14.RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION AND APPROVING THE CONTINUATION OF THE ENTERPRISE ZONE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LUBRIZOL CORPORATION AND PAINESVILLE TOWNSHIP(20230406\C03)(C-93)

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.

15.RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,065,766.06 (20230406\BC01)(C-4)

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.

16.RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,444,391.16 (20230406\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.

17.RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20230406\BC03)(C-111)

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.

18.RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20230406\BC04)(C-111)

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.

APRIL 6, 2023

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES – Mr. Rothlisberger explained that bids for the department’s project seem to be increasing and higher than the engineers estimate.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – Director of Job and Family Services, Ms. Suzanne Casar, thanked the Board for recognizing and supporting Child Abuse Prevention Month. She reminded everyone of the upcoming hiring event they are hosting on April 25th for social services workers. She stated that there are still some open time slots for interviews. Anyone interested may call to set up an interview at: 440-350-4000 #3.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – none.

FINANCE – none.

CLERK – Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, stated that the next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 13, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS: The Board discussed options for financing the jail, union negotiations, engineer’s debt service, and several other topics. There will be a work session scheduled and televised on YouTube for further in depth and open conversations on these subjects.

NEW BUSINESS: Commissioner Regovich stated that he recently toured the Public Defenders Office and thanked Ms. Vanessa Clapp and her staff.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. Eastlake Mayor, Dennis Morley, discussed the financial issues his city has experienced and how a levy was placed on the ballot 12 times and failed 12 times before finally passing.

Mr. Chris Weiss of Leroy, Ms. Tammy Gabor, and Chief Mike Toman, expressed their opinions on several items.

ADJOURN: On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik seconded by Commissioner Regovich, the Board adjourned the meeting at 12:24 p.m. with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

Minutes approved this fourth day of May, 2023.

BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JOHN R. HAMERCHECK, PRESIDENT

JOHN PLECNİK, COMMISSIONER

RICHARD J. REGOVICH, COMMISSIONER

JENNIFER BELL, CLERK