

OCTOBER 17, 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

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(Tape 2023-1017)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Hamercheck called the Meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 12, 2023.

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

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:

1.RESOLUTION HONORING LAURA PIZMOHT FOR HER YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO LAKE COUNTY (20231017\F01)(C-126)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Regovich. Commissioner Plecnik spoke of his fondness for Ms. Pizmoht and listed her many accomplishments. Commissioner Hamercheck stated that she exemplified balancing personal and professional life and that family meant everything to her. Commissioner Regovich stated that his prayers are with her family as they go through this extremely difficult time. The Board offered its condolences to her family and friends. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

2.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LAKE COUNTY ENGINEER TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S), AND TO EXECUTE AN OPWC AGREEMENT FOR THE COUNTY LINE ROAD RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT PHASE 2 IN MADISON TOWNSHIP(20231017\E01)(E-3)

On a motion by Commissioner Regovich, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Mr. Allan Exley was present and explained this will complete Countyline Road and is .85 miles in length and is north of Route 20. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

3.RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING CASH WITHIN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES SEWER FUND AND PROJECT FUND 596, PROJECT 462-2023, GRACE COURT SANITARY LINING (20231017\U01)(UT-2)

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 INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING CASH WITHIN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES SEWER FUND AND PROJECT FUND 596, ADAMS, MELRIDGE AND INDUSTRIAL PARK PROJECT 415-S-2018(20231017\U02)(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.

5.RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL ESTIMATE NO. 5 (RELEASE OF RETAINAGE) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$38,067.32 WITH CHIVERS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. AND ACCEPTING A THREE-YEAR MAINTENANCE BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$99,093.50 FOR KIRTLAND OLD TOWN SANITARY IMPROVEMENTS PHASE I PROJECT 445-S-2021 FOR THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES(20231017\U03)(UT-12)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Regovich. Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger stated that Phase 1 is complete and this will close out the project. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

6.RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL ESTIMATE NO. 4 (RELEASE OF RETAINAGE) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,146.90 WITH GARLAND/DBS, INC. AND ACCEPTING A THIRTY (30) YEAR HIGH PERFORMANCE EDGE-TO-EDGE NO DOLLAR LIMITED WARRANTY FOR THE GARY L KRON WASTEWATER PLANT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT 464-S-2022 FOR THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES(20231017\U04)(UT-12)

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 PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$82,500.00 FOR HARDY ROAD REGULATOR PROJECT NO. 468-W-2023, AND ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR SAME (BID OPENING: November 15, 2023)(20231017\U05)(UT-8)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Regovich. Mr. Rothlisberger stated that this project will include the installation of a new 8-inch pressure regulator and vault along Hardy Road. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

8.RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS DELINEATING THE ROLES AND

RESPONSIBILITIES FOR REFERRING, REPORTING, INVESTIGATING, AND PROSECUTING CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT CASES AS REQUIRED BY R.C. 2151.4225(B)(1)(20231017\JFS01)(JFS-11)

On a motion by Commissioner Regovich, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Director of Job and Family Services, Ms. Suzanne Casar thanked Assistant Prosecutors Mr. David Hackman and Ms. Nina Germano for all their hard work in creating this resolution. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

9.RESOLUTION INCREASING AND DECREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20231017\BC01)(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.

10. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20231017\BC02)(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.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES – none.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES- none.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – Mr. Boyd wished Budget Director, Mr. Michael Matas the best of luck as he takes his next step and shared that he has always been a great friend and mentor.

FINANCE – none.

CLERK – Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, stated that the next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 26, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. and also wished Mr. Matas good luck in his new role.

LEGAL – none.

ENGINEER: none.

OLD BUSINESS: Telecommunications Director, Mr. Paul Stefanko, provided a detailed report on the condition of the radios and stated that within 18 months, 2,800 radios that the County, Police and Fire, schools and busses use will reach their end of service life. He introduced representatives from Motorola and CommServ who discussed pricing and technology.

County Coroner, Dr. Mark Komar was present and reviewed the correspondence he recently sent to the Board expressing the need for a state-of-the-art morgue. Commissioner Hamercheck spoke of possible locations and cost savings. Dr. Komar thanked the Board for listening.

Commissioner Hamercheck stated that he attended the first meeting of the Ad Hoc committee that will take a closer look at the Local Government Fund and its formula. He also requested that the Clerk schedule a weekly jail funding workshop every Thursday at 9:00 AM because there needs to be a plan to fund/finance the proposed new safety center.

NEW BUSINESS: none.

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 Regovich seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the Board adjourned the meeting at 2:40 p.m. with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners Regovich, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

Minutes approved this second day of November, 2023.

BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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