

NOVEMBER 2, 2023

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

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

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(Tape 2023-1102)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Hamercheck called the Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, November 2, 2023.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Regovich, the minutes of the Regular Meetings of: September 14, 2023, September 21, 2023 , September 28, 2023, October 12, 2023 and October 17, 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. President and CEO of United Way Lake County, Ms. Dione DiMitro, was present and wanted to thank everyone who helped make the Jail and Bail event such a great success. Special thanks to Laketran CEO Ben Capelle for driving the "jail" bus all day to pick-up our prisoners and to Chief Deputy Sheriff Izzo from the Lake County Sheriff's Office for making all the arrests! We are also very grateful for the help of Cristen Kane from the Board of Lake County Commissioners Senior Services and Julia Schick from Laketran who both helped coordinate the day.

RESOLUTIONS:

1.RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING NOVEMBER 2023 NATIONAL ADOPTION AWARENESS MONTH IN LAKE COUNTY, OHIO(20231102\F01)(C-126)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Regovich. 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 Gene Tetrick; Supervisor of Job and Family Services Foster Care and Adoption Team. He thanked the Board for recognizing November as National Adoption Awareness Month and provided several statistics. He explained the importance of fostering children and adoption. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

2.RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION GREEN LIGHT FOR VETERANS IN LAKE COUNTY, OHIO (20231102\F02)(C-126)

On a motion by Commissioner Regovich, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Commissioner Plecnik read the resolution in its entirety. County Recorder, Ms. Becky Lynch was present and thanked the Board for this recognition. She thanked Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, for taking the extra steps to have the Terminal Tower in Cleveland lit up in addition to the Lake County Courthouse. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

3.RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS IN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES WATER, SEWER AND SOLID WASTE FUNDS(20231102\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, PROJECT 456-S-2021 – DODD/CHIMNEY RIDGE/SUNSHINE ACRES FACILITIES IMPROVEMENTS(20231102\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 INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING CASH WITHIN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES SEWER FUND AND PROJECT FUND 596, TWILIGHT LIFT STATION IMPROVEMENTS 439-S-2020 (20231102\U03)(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.

6.RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS, INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING CASH WITHIN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES SOLID WASTE PROJECT FUND 597 AND SOLID WASTE FUND 520(20231102\U04)(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.

7.RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING CASH WITHIN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES WATER FUND AND PROJECT FUND 595, WALNUT STREET WATERLINE PROJECT 449-W-2021 (20231102\U05)(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.

8.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN ENGINEERING AGREEMENT WITH CT CONSULTANTS INC. FOR THE RIVER STREET WATERLINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT FOR THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES (20231102\U06)(UT-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.

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 VINE STREET WATERLINE-RT 91 TO RT 2 PHASE 3 PROJECT 467-W-2023 IN THE CITY OF EASTLAKE(20231102\U07)(UT-4)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Regovich. Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger stated that this is part of the 2023 Capital Improvement Plan and will complete the entire length of Vine Street. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

10. RESOLUTION AWARDDING A BID CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$771,010.00 TO INSITUFORM TECHNOLOGIES, LLC FOR GRACE COURT TRUNK SEWER REHABILITATION PHASE III PROJECT 462-S-2023(20231102\U08)(UT-4)

On a motion by Commissioner Regovich, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Mr. Rothlisberger explained that the study for this project was done four years ago and they are ready to move forward. The project is also eligible for an OPWC grant. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

11. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A THREE-YEAR MAINTENANCE BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,828.22 FOR PINECREST SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION JOB NO. 22-60 IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP(20231102\U09)(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.

12. RESOLUTION CERTIFYING SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENT COSTS TO THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR FOR PARCEL 14-A-017-0-00-035-0(20231102\U10)(UT-7)

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.

13. RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT NOVEMBER 9, 2023, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$123,537.96(20231102\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.

14. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH ENERGY HARBOR FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LAKE COUNTY RADIOLOGICAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN (RERP) FOR THE PERRY NUCLEAR POWER PLANT AND OTHER GENERAL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED AT THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2024 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2025(20231102\C01)(504)

On a motion by Commissioner Regovich, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. County Administrator, Mr. Jason Boyd explained that the EMA Director negotiated this grant agreement with Energy Harbor. Mr. Boyd reviewed parts of the new agreement. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

15. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND VARIOUS ENTITIES AND ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE FY-2023 YEARS HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM FUNDS(20231102\C02)(C-34B)

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.

16.RESOLUTION APPOINTING MICHAEL PIZMOHT TO THE LAKETRAN BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO COMPLETE THE REMAINDER OF A THREE-YEAR TERM EXPIRING MAY 15, 2025(20231102\C03)(B-37)

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 GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20231102\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.

18.RESOLUTION ADVANCING AND TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20231102\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.

19.RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A FUND TO BE KNOWN AS HEALTHY AGING GRANT(20231102\BC03)(C-111)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Regovich. Commissioner Hamercheck thanked Senior Services Manager, Mrs. Alyea Barajas for her promptness and efficiency in applying for this grant. The

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foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

20.RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF A BILL AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$261,250.00(20231102\BC04)(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.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES – none.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES- none.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – Mr. Boyd gave an update on the Public Safety Center and stated that they are working on the medical component of the design.

CLERK – Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, stated that the next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 9, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

LEGAL – none.

ENGINEER: Deputy Engineer, Ms. Traci Salkewicz, provided several project updates; Great Lakes Construction has been awarded the contract on Williams Road and Paine Road is being prepared to go out to bid.

OLD BUSINESS: none.

NEW BUSINESS: none.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. Ms. Tami Gabor spoke of her displeasure at the road closures and offered her opinion on several issues. She was permitted a question and answer with the Board and Engineers Office.

Ms. Gilda Spencer asked for clarification on Roberts Rules and reminded the Board of what services she does not have due to the road closures in her area.

ADJOURN: On a motion by Commissioner Regovich seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the Board adjourned the meeting at 11:12 a.m. with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners Regovich, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

Minutes approved this fourteenth day of December, 2023.

BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JOHN R. HAMERCHECK, PRESIDENT

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