

DECEMBER 21, 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
(Tape 2023-1221)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Hamercheck called the Meeting to order at 10:20 a.m. Thursday, December 21, 2023.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon a motion by Commissioner Regovich, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the minutes of the Regular Meetings of: November 16th and 30th, 2023 and December 5th and 11th, 2023, were approved with the vote as follows: "AYES": Regovich, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. The Board presented a special certificate to recognize and thank Ms. Mary Parker for her 31 years of service to Lake County as a Youth Leader at the Caley Home. Director of Job and Family Services, Ms. Suzanne Casar, wanted to express her thanks and gratitude to Ms. Mary Parker. The Board also expressed their gratitude to Ms. Parker for being a mentor, teacher, coach and friend to many Lake County youth in their time of need.

Commissioner Hamercheck administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Thomas Rowan and Mr. David Pierce, as District Supervisors of the Ohio Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Directors. Soil and Water Director, Mr. Dan Donaldson provided background on both gentlemen and explained that they were publicly elected to serve this 3-year volunteer term.

Mr. Brian Massie of 8196 Rainbow Drive discussed ARPA funding.

Mr. Morgan McIntosh and Mr. Carl Dondorfer (as Concord Twp. Trustees), discussed the recent safety levy that failed and their hope for a long-term funding plan discussion with the Board and also their support.

RESOLUTIONS:

1.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LAKE COUNTY ENGINEER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ODOT COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM(202312221\E01)(E-3)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Regovich. County Engineer, Mr. James Gills, explained that this program allows for them to move forward on small projects without having to go out to bid. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Regovich, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

2.RESOLUTION AWARDDING A BID CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$87,000.00 TO GREAT LAKES CRUSHING FOR HARDY ROAD REGULATOR PROJECT 468-W-2023(20231221\U01)(UT-4)

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

3.RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$55,953.48 FOR PINECREST ROAD SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP(JOB NO. 23-47) (20231221\U02)(UT-9)

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

4.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A SERVICE CONTRACT BETWEEN UNITED LABOR AGENCY, INC.(ULA) AND THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES TO PROVIDE RESEA SERVICES AT OHIOMEANSJOBS-LAKE COUNTY (OMJ-LAKE) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$184,140.50 FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024(20231221\JFS01)(JFS-2)

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

5.RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING JOHN N. RAMPE TO THE LAKE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A FOUR-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2027(20231221\C01)(B-192)

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

6.RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING JOHN UHRAN TO THE LAKE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A FOUR-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2027(20231221\C02)(B-192)

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

7.RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING RONALD WASSUM TO THE LAKE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A FOUR-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2027(20231221\C03)(B-192)

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

**8.RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING THE CITY OF EASTLAKE MAYOR DENNIS MORLEY AS A MEMBER OF THE LAKE COUNTY NARCOTICS EXECUTIVE BOARD FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2026 (20231221\C04)(B-17)**

On a motion by Commissioner Regovich, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Commissioner Plecnik thanked Mayor Morley, Mr. Rampe, Mr. Uhran and Mr. Wassum for volunteering their time to serve on these various Boards. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Regovich, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

**9.RESOLUTION APPROVING PAY APPLICATION #11 (RELEASE OF RETAINAGE) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$35,338.31 WITH TOWN CENTER CONSTRUCTION, LLC. FOR THE LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE TRAINING FACILITY PROJECT(20231221\C05)(CT-10A)**

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

**10.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH TRANE U.S. INC. PROCURED THROUGH OMNIA PARTNERS ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS FOR HVAC IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE LAKE COUNTY BUILDINGS, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$7,654,089.00 (20231221\C06)(C-7)**

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

**11 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND FAIR HOUSING RESOURCE CENTER, INC. FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM- 2 (ERAP-2) FUNDS(20231221\C07)(C-34B)**

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Regovich. Commissioner Hamercheck stated that the total households who were provided financial assistance through ERAP 1 and ERAP 2 combined 924 for a total \$4,191,963. Housing guidance/ eviction prevention services were provided to more than 2000 households. This type of guidance will continue as a result of today's agreement. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Regovich, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

**12.RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,804,888.30(20231221\BC01)(C-4)**

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

**13.RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500,173.99(20231221\BC02)(C-17)**

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

**14.RESOLUTION INCREASING AND DECREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20231221\BC03)(C-111)**

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

**15.RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20231221\BC04)(C-111)**

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

**16. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2024 PERMANENT MEASURE FOR FUNDS OUTSIDE THE GENERAL FUND (20231221\BC05)(C-111)**

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

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES – none.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES- none.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – Director of Administrative Services, Mr. Joel DiMare stated that the resolutions pertaining to the 2024 healthcare plan will be on next week's agenda.

CLERK – Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, stated that the next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

LEGAL – none.

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ENGINEER: Mr. James Gills gave a brief update on several projects which included Paine Road, Williams Road and Ford Road.

OLD BUSINESS: none.

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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Regovich, the Board convened an Executive Session at 10:36 a.m. to discuss Real Estate – Acquisition and Legal- Pending Litigation with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Regovich, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

The Lake County Board of Commissioners adjourned to Executive Session at 11:00 a.m.

ADJOURN: On a motion by Commissioner Regovich seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the Board adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m. with the vote as follows: "AYES": Plecnik, Regovich and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

Minutes approved this eleventh day of January, 2024.

**BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

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JOHN R. HAMERCHECK, PRESIDENT

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