

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

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(Tape 2025-0403)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Regovich called the Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, April 3, 2025

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
Upon a motion by Commissioner Beverage, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 13, 2025 were approved with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Beverage, Plecnik and Regovich "NAYS": None.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Commissioner Regovich asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. No one present wished to address the Board.

RESOLUTIONS:
1.RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING APRIL, 2025 AS AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH(20250403\F01)(C-126)
On a motion by Commissioner Beverage, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Commissioner Regovich shared that his nephew is autistic and no different than anyone else. He introduced Lake County Board of Developmental Disabilities/Deepwood Executive Director, Ms. Elfie Roman. Ms. Roman thanked the Board for recognizing this important month and stated that autism is one of the largest growing diagnoses and that 2.1% of Ohio adults are autistic spectrum. She explained the many schools and programs that are available now and introduced Ms. Rachel Urbanic who is the Director of the Deepwood Imagine Program. Ms. Urbanic spoke of the wonderful programs that are available and how more and more students have been interested in post graduate vocational programs and employment. She explained what Deepwood has to offer and introduced Josh Thompson who attends one of the programs. Ms. Urbanic and Josh presented the Board with dog treats and a painting that was made by the students. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows : "AYES": Commissioners: Beverage, Plecnik and Regovich "NAYS": None.

2.RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL 2025 CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH IN LAKE COUNTY, OHIO (20250403\F02(C-126)
On a motion by Commissioner Beverage, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Job and Family Services Director Ms. Casar introduced Assistant Administrator from Job and Family Services, Ms. Mary Udics. Ms. Udics stated that the Children Services Division will be planting blue pinwheels in front of the JFS building on April 9, 2025, symbolizing children and families served by the agency during 2024 and a reminder that all children deserve happy, carefree childhoods. She invited everyone to wear blue to work on April 9th and to take a blue pinwheel, lapel pin and wristband to show support in honor of the children that Job and Family Services has served during the last year. Ms. Udics stated that they responded to more than 1,500 calls regarding neglect or abuse in 2024. Commissioner Regovich thanked Ms. Casar and her staff for all they do and stated that this is a time to recognize the primary importance of safety in our community and speak for those who have no voice. Commissioner Plecnik requested Clerk Bell look into having the Courthouse clockface lit up blue next week. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows : "AYES": Commissioners: Beverage, Plecnik and Regovich "NAYS": None.

3.RESOLUTION COOPERATING WITH CONCORD TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES FOR THE AUBURN ROAD WATERLINE EXTENSION & PAVING PROJECT, IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP, LAKE COUNTY, OHIO(20250403\E01)(E-3)
On a motion by Commissioner Beverage, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows : "AYES": Commissioners: Beverage, Plecnik and Regovich "NAYS": None.

4.RESOLUTION CERTIFYING UNPAID WATER AND SEWER SUMS AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES TO THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR(20250403\U01)(UT-7)
On a motion by Commissioner Beverage, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows : "AYES": Commissioners: Beverage, Plecnik and Regovich "NAYS": None

5.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF A PERFORMANCE SURETY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000.00 TO X-PRESS UNDERGROUND FOR GLYCO II FORCEMAIN REPLACEMENT CONTRACT A PROJECT 364-S(20250403\U02)(UT-12)
On a motion by Commissioner Beverage, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows : "AYES": Commissioners: Beverage, Plecnik and Regovich "NAYS": None.

6.RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT APRIL 11, 2025 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$152,516.29(20250403\JFS01)(JFS-14)
On a motion by Commissioner Beverage, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows : "AYES": Commissioners: Beverage, Plecnik and Regovich "NAYS": None.

7.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LAKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PURCHASE AND SALE FOR REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 190 E. JACKSON STREET IN THE CITY OF PAINESVILLE, OHIO (20250403\C01)(207-N)
On a motion by Commissioner Beverage, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. County Administrator, Mr. Boyd, explained that this is the final property acquisition near the footprint of the Public Safety Center. The foregoing

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

8.RESOLUTION AMENDING THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE LAKE COUNTY BUILDING INSPECTION DEPARTMENT, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026(20250403\C02)(C-6)

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

9.RESOLUTION TO REAPPOINT CARL DONDORFER AS A MEMBER OF THE REGION 13 ONEOHIO GOVERNANCE BOARD TO REPRESENT THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF LAKE COUNTY FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM BEGINNING MARCH 29, 2025(20250403\C03)(C-106b)

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

10.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(20250403\C04)(C-93)

On a motion by Commissioner Beverage, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Lake Development Authority Executive Director, Mr. Patrick Mohorcic, was present and 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: Beverage, Plecnik and Regovich "NAYS": None

11.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(20250403\C05)(C-99)

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

12.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY NARCOTICS AGENCY AND THE OHIO PATROLMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION, EXPIRING MARCH 31, 2027(20250403\C06)(301c)

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

13.RESOLUTION AMENDING THE LAKE COUNTY CREDIT CARD POLICY(20250403\C07)(C-116B)

On a motion by Commissioner Beverage, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Mr. Joel DiMare explained that there were some minor changes to the Ohio Revised Code and this policy reflects those changes. He also stated that the County has partnered with Huntington Bank and their CCAO program which will help counties with rebates. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows : "AYES": Commissioners: Beverage, Plecnik and Regovich "NAYS": None.

14.RESOLUTION DECLARING FOR THE PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND WELFARE TO LOCATE THE CARTER ROAD CENTERLINE LOCATED IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP AND LEROY TOWNSHIP(20250403\C08)(C-79 and C-87)

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

15. RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,813,022.33 (20250403\BC01)(C-4)

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

16. RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS TO CT CONSULTANTS INC. AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$19,740.80(20250403\BC01A)(C-4)

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

17. RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,879,426.14(20250403\BC02)(C-17)

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

18. RESOLUTION INCREASING AND DECREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20250403\BC03)(C-111)

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

19.RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20250403\BC04)(C-111)

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

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES – Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger, was happy to report that the break wall project north of the east end water treatment plant is complete and the walk-through will take place next week. He stated that they were very fortunate to have received a grant for the project which covered the entire cost. Prices came in lower than expected which left some money in the grant and they are now able to expand the scope and replace the road that goes up to the raw water pump station as part of that project. That portion of the project will occur this spring.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – none.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR –Mr. Boyd stated that some of the March highlights include the completion of all of the underground utility work and the 550 aggregate piers have been bored down and compressed with gravel to stabilize the site. Thanks to the City of Painesville, temporary poles and power have been set and there are at least three construction trailers and the concrete contractor on site. All regulatory permits have been approved and our Building Department is currently reviewing the necessary department items.

CLERK – Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, stated that the next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 10, 2025 at 10:00 am. and that there will be a Workshop today.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS: none.

NEW BUSINESS: Commissioner Beverage shared that he and Mr. Boyd held a Funders Roundtable Discussion this week with those people and agencies that help out with nonprofit services and social service network. Commissioner Beverage was very pleased that everyone that was asked to attend did so and were happy to partake in a variety of conversations. One topic was about having a better collaboration between everyone that provides these types of funding and services in our County and ensuring that they are being the best stewards of dollars as well as making sure that any unmet needs are dealt with. He stated that he was very pleased with the way the group’s first meeting went and thinks they have a direction with where they want to go. He will keep everyone updated and looks forward to working together on their success.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On a motion by Commissioner Beverage, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the Board convened an Executive Session at 10:30 a.m. to discuss Personnel- Collective Bargaining and Personnel- To Consider the Appointment of an Employee or Official with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Beverage and Regovich "NAYS": None.

The Lake County Board of Commissioners adjourned to Executive Session at 10:34 a.m.

ADJOURN: On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik seconded by Commissioner Beverage, the Board adjourned the meeting at 10:54 a.m. with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Beverage and Regovich "NAYS": None.

Minutes approved this tenth day of April, 2025.

BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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