

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

MORRIS W. BEVERAGE III, COMMISSIONER	JASON W. BOYD, ADMINISTRATOR
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JENNIFER BELL, CLERK	

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(Tape 2025-0603)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Regovich called the Meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. Tuesday, June 3, 2025

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

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 PROCLAIMING WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY IN LAKE COUNTY, OHIO, ON JUNE 15, 2025(20250603\F01)(C-126)

On a motion by Commissioner Beverage, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Job and Family Services Director, Suzanne Casar, stated that June 15, 2025 is World Elder Abuse Awareness Day here in Lake County and across our country. It is the time of year when cities and states can take a moment to shed light on this significant issue. Lake County Job and Family Services is mandated to investigate each and every call and report they receive. Ms. Casar stated that Lake County is fortunate to have a dedicated unit of social workers who investigate elder abuse and neglect and she introduced Ms. Mary Udics. Ms. Udics thanked the Board for the recognition. She stated that anyone who suspects an elderly individual in our community is being abused, neglected or exploited should contact their hotline to report it. This hotline is manned 24/7 and the number to call is 440-350-4000, choose Option #1. Ms. Udics reported that Lake County received more than 870 calls last year concerning elder abuse and neglect and that each and every concern was investigated. Commissioner Plecnik stressed that “if you see something, say something” and that friends and family should watch out for the elderly as well as the many ways in which they can be exploited. Ms. Casar stated that the Department of Job and Family Services will host a World Elder Abuse Awareness walk on June 12th at 11:45 AM beginning at Job and Family Services. All are welcome to attend and participants are encouraged to wear purple; the color designated for elder abuse awareness. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows : "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Beverage and Regovich "NAYS": None.

2.RESOLUTION TO ADVERTISE FOR REQUEST FOR LETTERS OF INTEREST FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE LAK-BRIDGE LOAD RATINGS PROJECT (PID NO. 122371) IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN LAKE COUNTY(Letters of Interest Due June 27, 2025)(20250603\E01)(E-2)

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

3.RESOLUTION AWARDING A BID CONTRACT TO CARMEUSE LIME, INC. FOR THE ROADWAY MATERIALS–2025 – LIMESTONE CONTRACT,AS REQUIRED BY THE LAKE COUNTY ENGINEER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$232,087.50 (20250603\E02)(E-3)

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

4.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PREPARATION OF PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, ESTIMATES OF COST AND TENTATIVE ASSESSMENTS FOR THE NORTH RIDGE SANITARY EXTENSION PROJECT (MADISON TOWNSHIP) AND AUTHORIZING RELATED MATTERS(20250603\U01)(UT-9)

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

5.RESOLUTION CERTIFYING AN UNPAID WATER SUM AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGE TO THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR(20250603\U02)(UT-7)

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

6.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AMENDMENT #1 TO THE JUNE 23, 2022 AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES FOR FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY UNDER THE CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS KNOWN AS THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 (20250603\C01)(C-107)

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

7.RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$551,901.75(20250603\BC01)(C-4)

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

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES – none.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – none.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – none.

CLERK – Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, stated that the next Regular Meetings are scheduled for Tuesday, June 10th and Thursday, June 12th 2025 at 10:00 am.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS: Commissioner Plecnik thanked Lake County Engineer, Mr. Alan Exley, for attending the Commissioner Workshop last week. The discussion and updates on new projects were very positive. He addressed the lighting issues on State Route 2 and stressed that the damage needs to be repaired as well as the lights being replaced as a well-lit highway is a necessity. Commissioner Plecnik explained that Route 2 is a gateway into Lake County and its safety and appearance is crucial. Commissioner Beverage stated that he and County Administrator, Jason Boyd attended the Kirtland City Council meeting this week to discuss the Old Town Kirtland Sewer Project. He thanked Mr. Boyd and Sanitary Engineer Rothlisberger and the Board for the continued support and acknowledgement of the uniqueness of this project. Commissioner Regovich thanked Mr. Rothlisberger for the hard work he and his department did to come up with a solution that would save the residents quite a bit of money on the assessment.

NEW BUSINESS: none.

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 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 10:44 a.m. with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Beverage and Regovich "NAYS": None.

Minutes approved this twenty-sixth day of June, 2025.

BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

RICHARD J. REGOVICH, PRESIDENT

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