

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

MORRIS W. BEVERAGE III, COMMISSIONER	JASON W. BOYD, ADMINISTRATOR
JOHN PLECNIK, COMMISSIONER	LEGAL COUNSEL
RICHARD REGOVICH, COMMISSIONER	NEWS MEDIA
JENNIFER BELL, CLERK	

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(Tape 2025-0612)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Regovich called the Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, June 12, 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 APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE LAK-MANCHESTER ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT, PID NO. 117744, LCE PROJECT NO. 2022-008 IN PERRY VILLAGE, AND ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR SAME(Bid Opening: July 23, 2025)(20250612\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.

**2.RESOLUTION APPROVING THE DETAILED PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, ESTIMATES OF COST AND TENTATIVE ASSESSMENTS FOR THE NORTH RIDGE SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT (MADISON TOWNSHIP) AND AUTHORIZING RELATED MATTERS(20250612\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.

**3.RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,685,000.00 FOR AQUARIUS RAW WATER PUMP STATION TRAVELING SCREENS REPLACEMENT - PROJECT NO 470-W-2023, AND ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR SAME (Bid Opening: July 16, 2025)(20250612\U02)(UT-8)**  
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 CONFIRMING AND LEVYING THE REVISED SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONSTRUCTION AND INSTALLATION OF SANITARY SEWER LINES, TOGETHER WITH RELATED IMPROVEMENTS AND ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, COMPRISING THE KIRTLAND OLD TOWN SANITARY SEWER PROJECT\ 445-S AND AUTHORIZING THEIR CERTIFICATION FOR COLLECTION AND RELATED MATTERS (20250612\U03)(UT 13)**  
On a motion by Commissioner Beverage, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Assistant Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Denis Yurkovich, was present and provided some history of this project and how, with the assistance of many departments and other funding sources, they were able to reduce the costs for residents from \$28,000/ household to \$2,573.00/household. The costs may be reduced further for some qualifying residents through the assistance of the Health Department and CDBG. He expressed gratitude to the Commissioners for the funding of the Old Town Sewer Project and added that this commitment will go a long way to help lower the final assessment cost. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows : "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Beverage and Regovich "NAYS": None.

**5.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF SERVICE CONTRACTS BETWEEN CATHOLIC CHARITIES CORPORATION; OHIOGUIDESTONE; HARBOR VOCATIONAL SERVICES; UNITED LABOR AGENCY AND THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES TO PROVIDE WORKFORCE SERVICES FOR PROGRAM YEAR (PY) 2025 (20250612\JFS01)(JFS-2)**  
On a motion by Commissioner Beverage, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Director of Administrative Services, Mr. Joel DiMare, explained that this and the following two resolutions show the continuing partnership with Job and Family Services to provide workforce services for Lake County. He explained that JFS has been our one-stop operator for over 20 years. The Workforce Board approved all of these recommendations at their Board meeting Monday. Commissioner Plecnik wanted to remind everyone that this resource is available to them in the county's career services office and any taxpayer is eligible to take advantage of that help. He stated there are a lot of employers who are eagerly looking for people and the goal is to put the job seekers and the employers together. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows : "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Beverage and Regovich "NAYS": None.

**6.RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RENEWAL OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, THE LAKE COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD, THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES AND THE ONE-STOP SYSTEM PARTNERS FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE OMJ-LAKE COUNTY SERVICE DELIVERY SYSTEM UNDER THE WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA) FOR THE TWO YEAR TIME PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2025, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2027, AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (20250612\JFS02)(JFS-11)**  
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 AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A SUBGRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD AND THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES TO SERVE AS THE DELIVERER OF ADULT AND DISLOCATED WORKER CAREER SERVICES FOR THE OHIO MEANS JOBS**

**(OMJ) LAKE COMPREHENSIVE CAREER CENTER(20250612\JFS03)(JFS-15)**

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.

**8.RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT JUNE 20, 2025 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$623,493.17 (20250612\JFS04)(JFS-14)**

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.

**9.RESOLUTION APPROVING THE COUNTYWIDE FINAL 9-1-1 PLAN FOR LAKE COUNTY, OHIO(20250612\C01)(B-34)**

On a motion by Commissioner Beverage, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Commissioner Regovich stated that after many, many meetings and much discussion the NG911 Committee has come up with a list of things that they would like to see in the county to make it a safer place when it comes to all dispatch services. The Final Plan is now currently in each political subdivision's hands awaiting their vote. 60% approval of the vote is needed to adopt the Plan. He explained that implementation is probably 3 to 5 years out and the climate can change drastically in that time. The Committee is obligated to meet annually but can meet more often if communities want to consolidate or change their status. The one thing we wanted to do was ensure that if you're in Madison or if you're in Wickliffe you had the same service throughout the county. There is no change with NextG 911. They have the ability to send video, text and all those things currently that is done by our Sheriff's Department Dispatch Center when there's an accident. They receive the calls and only dispatch a couple of the calls to these new centers. If they want to remain a center on their own, they will take all the calls themselves. Commissioner Plecnik thanked the NG911 Committee for this huge commitment and the hard work they put into this comprehensive plan for safety across all of Lake County. Commissioner Beverage also thanked everyone for the effort and work that was done but wanted to voice his concerns and hoped that this was an opportunity for the County to look at ways to get things done more efficiently and in a more cost-effective manner while maintaining the high-quality services delivered now. He stated that approximately 80% of all emergency phone calls are made on a mobile phone which go through the county dispatch center and that's not going to change but there's going to be a lot more calls going out to a lot more dispatch centers across the county once this implemented which he is concerned about. He is also concerned that having new NG911 call centers throughout the County is going to place a large burden on County resources with the implementation of the NG Plan. Commissioner Regovich explained that the early conversation involved consolidating down to three PSAPS but it was met with a lot of push back from local cities. Some communities may decide over time that the NG implementation may be too costly. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows : "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, Beverage and Regovich "NAYS": None.

**10.RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,857,652.10(20250612\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.

**11.RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS TO CT CONSULTANTS INC. AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,289.13(20250612\BC01A)(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 "ABSTAIN": Commissioner Regovich "NAYS": None.

**12. RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$822,111.13(20250612\BC02)(C-17)**

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.

**13.RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20250612\BC03)(C-111)**

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 – Director of Job and Family Services, Ms. Suzanne Casar, thanked everyone for wearing purple in support of World Elder Abuse Awareness Day and invited everyone to participate in the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual WEAAD walk which will be taking place today at 11:45 AM. She thanked the Lake Development Authority and Mr. DiMare for their work in securing the contracts and thanked the Commissioners for adopting the resolutions for those contracts. Commissioner Plecnik commented that there are three different messages on World Elder Abuse Awareness Day. The first is to Lake County seniors which is that you're not alone but are a part of the Lake County family, the second is to those people who are fortunate to be in a place to help and have the opportunity in Lake County to report elder abuse 24 hours a day, and lastly to those who may not realize the harm being caused when someone inherits a stranger's estate. He provided the 24/7 hotline to report suspected abuse or neglect which is 440-350-4000.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – none.

CLERK – Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, stated that the next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 26<sup>th</sup> 2025 at 10:00 am. The Annual Tax Budget Hearing will take place before the June 26<sup>th</sup> meeting and a workshop will take place after at 10:30 am.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS: none.

ADJOURN: On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik seconded by Commissioner Beverage, the Board adjourned the meeting at 10:25 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**

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RICHARD J. REGOVICH, PRESIDENT

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