

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

MORRIS W. BEVERAGE III, COMMISSIONER	JASON W. BOYD, ADMINISTRATOR
JOHN PLECNIK, COMMISSIONER	LEGAL COUNSEL
MORGAN R. McINTOSH, COMMISSIONER	NEWS MEDIA
JENNIFER BELL, CLERK	

(Tape 2026-0129)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Beverage called the Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, January 29, 2026

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

Commissioner Beverage stated that, without objection, he would like to move the Special Resolution for late Commissioner Regovich to this portion of the meeting and public comment will resume after.

RESOLUTIONS:

1.RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONER RICHARD J. REGOVICH AND BESTOWING THE KEY TO LAKE COUNTY(20260129\F01)(C-126)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner McIntosh. Commissioner Beverage read the resolution in its entirety. Commissioner Plecnik stated that Commissioner Regovich made a profound and immeasurable impact on this community as a friend, colleague, Commissioner, and Commission President. He expressed that no words can fully capture his contributions, but today this Board honors his legacy with gratitude and as inspiration for every public servant who follows. Commissioner Plecnik stated that it was an honor to serve alongside him and witness the difference he made and that he is the first and only commissioner to receive the Key to the County. Commissioner McIntosh stated that the past few months have been exceptionally difficult as everyone has worked through the challenges before us. He stated at last week’s NOACA meeting, several certificates of appreciation were presented including one recognizing Commissioner Regovich in which it was a profound honor to accept it on his behalf. He shared that Commissioner Regovich was an extraordinary person and he was proud to call him his friend, and he is proud to serve in this role (as Commissioner). He is deeply saddened by Commissioner Regovich’s absence. Commissioner Beverage stated how deeply grateful he is to the family for sharing Commissioner Regovich with us. He understands the sacrifice that comes with public service, and it is never carried by just one person, it is carried by the entire family. He thanked everyone present today for supporting him, for sharing him with our community, and for allowing him to make the impact he made. Mrs. Regovich shared how much he (Commissioner Regovich) respected everyone and thoroughly enjoyed his job and how much she and her family appreciated the support and prayers. She is sure that he would be extremely happy with the choice of having Morgan in his spot. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, McIntosh and Beverage "NAYS": None. The Board presented Mrs. Regovich and their children with the Key to Lake County.

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

2.RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,330,008.00 FOR GREEN ROAD WATERLINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT 488-W-2025(20260129\U01)(UT-9)

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

3.RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING CASH WITHIN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES FUND 595, PROJECT 475-W-2023 RIVER STREET AND THE WATER FUND (20260129\U02)(UT-2)

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

4.RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING CASH WITHIN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES FUND 597, PROJECT 474-L-2023 ONE ACRE CELL LINER AND THE SOLID WASTE FUND(20260129\U04)(UT-2)

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

5.RESOLUTION AWARDDING A BID CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,721,832.00 TO WORKMAN INDUSTRIAL SERVICES FOR THE AQUARIUS RAW WATER PUMP STATION TRAVELING SCREENS REPLACEMENT PROJECT 470-W-2023(20260129\U05)(UT-4)

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

6.RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$546,000.00 FOR THE SOLID WASTE FACILITY BALER BUILDING SLAB PAVEMENT REPAIR-CONTRACT 2 - PROJECT NO 472-L-2023, AND ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR SAME (BID OPENING: FEBRUARY 25, 2026)(20260129\U06)(UT-8)

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

7.RESOLUTION CERTIFYING UNPAID WATER AND SEWER SUMS AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES TO THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR(20260129\U07)(UT-7)

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

8.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A REVISED LAKE COUNTY RADIOLOGICAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN (RERP) FOR THE PERRY NUCLEAR POWER PLANT ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY(20260129\C01)(504)

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

9.RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS TO THE LAKE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE FOR TWO-YEAR TERMS ENDING FEBRUARY 21, 2028(20260129\C02)(B-64)

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

10.RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MATTHEW J. HEBEBRAND TO THE LAKELAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR A FIVE-YEAR TERM EXPIRING MARCH 6, 2031(20260129\C03)(B-51)

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

11.RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING JANET RUTH MAJKA TO THE LAKELAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR A FIVE-YEAR TERM EXPIRING MARCH 6, 2031(20260129\C04)(B-51)

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

12. RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,337,765.46(20260129\BC01)(C-4)

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

13. RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,916,749.05(20260129\BC02)(C-17)

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

14. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20260129\BC03)(C-111)

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

15. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20260129\BC04)(C-111)

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

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES– Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger, stated that the Mentor situation has stabilized and they will continue to monitor.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – none.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – County Administrator, Mr. Boyd, wanted to share some good news updates with thanks to the Board on these. He stated that the Lubrizol Corporation in the City of Wickliffe made a significant announcement yesterday regarding plans for a multi-million-dollar investment to elevate its Wickliffe headquarters. The investment will integrate Lubrizol's Brecksville employees and capabilities into its Wickliffe campus, allowing more than 1,000 of the company's Northeast Ohio personnel to collaborate from a singular campus. The Board played a significant role in making this project happen and he thanked them for being open-minded about not only the impact it would have on Wickliffe but also Lake County as a whole. Next Mr. Boyd reported on Code Blue and thanked Commissioner Beverage for his commitment, and everyone involved, which included Brian and Tracy Forney, United Way, The Sub-Zero Mission, Lifeline, Laketrans and JFS. He explained that there were approximately 8-9 days the entire 2025 winter season and this week alone, there have been 8 straight days of necessary protection. He also thanked the Salvation Army and St. Mary's Church and explained how there was a worrisome point as to how they would feed the individuals and with everyone's hard work there was almost too much food. He thanked the Commissioners for supporting this as Lake County continues to help those most vulnerable individuals in extreme weather. The Board spoke on the importance of protecting Lake County residents, especially during extreme weather conditions. They thanked late Commissioner Regovich for his work, along with the Lake Development Authority and State of Ohio, to keep Lubrizol in Lake County. They also spoke of the importance of economic development and the public partnership with private industry and how critical it is to keep Lake County the vibrant community that it is.

CLERK – Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, stated that the next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 5, 2026 at 10:00 am.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS: none.

NEW BUSINESS: none.

ADJOURN: On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik seconded by Commissioner McIntosh, the Board adjourned the meeting at 10:29 a.m. with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik, McIntosh and Beverage "NAYS": None.

Minutes approved this twelfth day of February, 2026.

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