

Commissioners' Journal
February 11, 2020

The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on February 11, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers located at 470 Center Street in Chardon, Ohio.

It is declared and determined that all formal actions of the Board of County Commissioners concerning and relating to the adoption of all resolutions that were adopted in this meeting, and that all deliberations of the Board of County Commissioners that resulted in such formal action were open to the public and were in compliance with all legal requirements, including section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

The President of the Board, Timothy C. Lennon opened the meeting at 9:34 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEETING MINUTES

Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the minutes for the special meeting of January 13, 2020.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Abstain*</i>
	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of January 14, 2020.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Abstain*</i>
	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of January 23, 2020.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**Commissioner Spidalieri was absent from these meetings.*

COMMISSIONERS OFFICE - COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

County Administrator Gerard Morgan reported on the items approved by the County Administrator on February 6, 2020 that included for the Department of Water Resources to approve and execute a service Contract Agreement with Harper Well and Pump, Incorporated to perform well and well pump services as needed at various locations within the Department for a period of two years (2020 and 2021) in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 (\$5,000.00 per year) and to approve and execute a service Contract Agreement with Fredebaugh Well Drilling, Incorporated to perform well and well pump services as needed within the Department for a period of two years (2020 and 2021) in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 (\$5,000.00 per year); Concurred with Auburn Township Trustees in not requesting a hearing on the Liquor License being requested by Four Leaf, LLC d.b.a. Sun Valley Ohio located at 10000 Edward Lane, Chagrin Falls, Ohio (Auburn Township) (C TRFO 2842773) and Concurred with Chester Township Trustees in not requesting a hearing on the liquor license being requested by Perky Kettle Ltd. Located at 12661 Chillicothe Road, Chesterland, Ohio (TFOL 6831545-0005); and on February 10, 2020 for the Department of Development (Building and Community & Economic) approved hiring Elaine Malkamaki to the position of Full-time Permit Coordinator (#1106) to share duties between the Department of Development to be effective March 2, 2020 at the rate of \$13.30 per hour with a one-year probationary period. This offer of employment is contingent upon the successful completion of the required pre-employment conditions; as authorized by Resolution #20-005 under the direction and supervision of the County Commissioners that was approved January 7, 2020 pursuant to O.R.C. 305.30.

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APPROVE FINANCIALS

Budget and Finance Manager Adrian Gorton explained the financials for today as including a Supplemental Appropriation for the Juvenile Detention Center other expenses account; Travel request increases for the Juvenile Court for Intercourt Conference; Travel requests for the Department of Emergency Services and Job and Family Services; a payment for Job and Family Services to Board of Mental Health for November and December 2019 Help Me Grow expenses in the amount of \$35,742.00; a payment for Maintenance to Hershberger Roofing and Siding for the re-roof of the Dog Warden Building in the amount of \$27,383.00; and a payment for the Sheriff's Office Law Enforcement Block Grant fund to Enforcement Video LLC for five Watchguard cameras in the amount of \$25,975.00.

There was a brief discussion about some emails and phone calls that they had received about the parking lot at the Dog Shelter. Commissioner Dvorak inquired about a punch list on the roof for the dog shelter and whether they need to wait on the payment.

The Board wanted to wait for an answer from Mr. Vernick on the roof so they waited to vote on the Financials.

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – 2020 IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

Deputy Engineer Shane Hajjar presented the Board with a map of the county that indicates the proposed improvement projects for the year. Mr. Hajjar noted that it includes multiple sections of resurfacing and rehabilitation that include Auburn and Bell, Washington Street, the remainder of Caves Road, part of Aquilla Road, Taylor Wells, a couple of bridges, a new traffic signal at Haskins and Washington Street and before you today are a county wide guardrail and pavement markings programs that include Federal grant funding. Mr. Hajjar answered a question about the Federal grant funds, to which he explained that they applied through CEAO safety program and every four years there are funds available for guardrail and pavement markings. This year the guardrail program has 56 locations that are upgrading or replacing the spear head end type so they will be replaced with coil type ends. There was a brief discussion about areas that they eliminated guardrail, these locations are not feasible. This year the guardrail grant is for \$600,000.00 and the total estimated cost of the project is \$700,000.00. The pavement marking program is unique this year, the grant will allow them to add an epoxy paint to the striping that will have a longer lasting appearance in reflectivity, it is more expensive, in addition to that they will do the traditional striping along with some Township roads. Mr. Hajjar noted that of the \$375,000.00, \$150,000.00 is grant funds, \$180,000.00 local funding and \$45,000.00 is reimbursable to the county by the Townships.

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – RESOLUTION TO ORDER THE GUARDRAIL REPLACEMENT ALONG VARIOUS ROADS IN GEAUGA COUNTY – EXECUTE TITLE SHEET – SET BID OPENING

Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute Resolution #20-015 to Order the Guardrail Replacement along various roads in Geauga County.

This resolution requests the Board approve and execute the Title Sheet for Specifications of the same.

Further this Resolution sets a Bid Opening for Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. Notice of this Bid Opening will be advertised on February 13, 2020, February 20, 2020 and on the County website.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date: February 11, 2020

Resolution: #20-015

RESOLUTION TO ORDER THE GUARDRAIL REPLACEMENT ALONG VARIOUS ROADS IN GEAUGA COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners has determined by Resolution 19-124 that the public convenience and welfare requires safety improvements of various county roads in accordance with Section 5555.06 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

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WHEREAS, no lands are needed to be taken relative to the improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners after holding a public hearing and hearing no objections for the improvements is satisfied that the public convenience and welfare require that said improvement be made; and

WHEREAS, plans and specifications for this project have been reviewed and approved by the Ohio Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, federal aid funding has been secured for this project and the cost of such improvement will not be excessive in view of the public utility thereof.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners in accordance with Section 5555.13 of the Ohio Revised Code hereby orders that such improvement proceed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners hereby adopts the surveys, plans, profiles, cross sections, estimates, and specifications for such improvement, the costs of which shall be paid from federal aid and local funding sources in accordance with Section 5555.43 of the Ohio Revised Code. The bids shall be let upon a unit price basis. Bids shall be received until 1:45 P.M. and opened at 2:00 P.M. on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at which time bids shall be read aloud.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of Geauga County Board of Commissioners is hereby instructed to transmit certified copies of this resolution to the Geauga County Engineer.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE - RESOLUTION TO ORDER THE APPLICATION OF PAVEMENT MARKINGS TO VARIOUS ROADS IN GEAUGA COUNTY – EXECUTE TITLE SHEET – SET BID OPENING

Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute Resolution #20-016 to Order the Application of Pavement Markings to various roads in Geauga County.

This resolution requests the Board approve and execute the Title Sheet for Specifications of the same.

Further, this Resolutions sets a Bid Opening for Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 2:05 p.m. Notice of this Bid Opening will be advertised on February 13, 2020, February 20, 2020 and on the County website.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date: February 11, 2020
Resolution: #20-016

RESOLUTION TO ORDER THE APPLICATION OF PAVEMENT MARKINGS TO VARIOUS ROADS IN GEAUGA COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners has determined by Resolution 19-125 that the public convenience and welfare requires safety improvements of various county roads in accordance with Section 5555.06 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, no lands are needed to be taken relative to the improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners after holding a public hearing and hearing no objections for the improvements is satisfied that the public convenience and welfare require that said improvement be made; and

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WHEREAS, plans and specifications for this project have been reviewed and approved by the Ohio Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, federal aid funding has been secured for this project and the cost of such improvement will not be excessive in view of the public utility thereof.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners in accordance with Section 5555.13 of the Ohio Revised Code hereby orders that such improvement proceed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners hereby adopts the surveys, plans, profiles, cross sections, estimates, and specifications for such improvement, the costs of which shall be paid from federal aid and local funding sources in accordance with Section 5555.43 of the Ohio Revised Code. The bids shall be let upon a unit price basis. Bids shall be received until 1:45 P.M. and opened at 2:05 P.M. on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at which time bids shall be read aloud.

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<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>

SHERIFF'S OFFICE – OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES VIDEO CAMERA REPLACEMENT, PRE-AWARD CONDITIONS AND STANDARD ASSURANCES – GRANT #2019-JF-A02-6468

Sheriff Scott Hildenbrand explained that they are still in the process of replacing the video cameras in the cars, using grant money, as each system is about \$5,200.00. Sheriff Hildenbrand added that by doing them a few at a time, they are able to use grant funds and then they don't have to be replaced all at the same time.

Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS) Video Camera Replacement, Pre-award conditions and Standard Assurances for Grant #2019-JF-A02-6468 for the purchase of five additional Video Camera Systems in the amount of \$25,975.00 with \$12,987.50 from OCJS and \$12,987.50 from the County General Fund. This grant is for the period January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>

SHERIFF'S OFFICE – OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES VAWA GRANT PRE-AWARD CONDITIONS AND STANDARD ASSURANCES – GRANT #2019-WF-VA2-8214 AND #2018-WF-VA2-8214A

Sheriff Hildenbrand explained that this is the VAWA grant and is broken down into two grants. Sheriff Hildenbrand stated that this is for Robin Taylor who handles the domestic violence. There was a brief discussion about the dollar amounts on the grants being different from last year and that the local match portions have increased. Deputy Taylor has been there fifteen years, works with the courts, and does programs that all relate to domestic violence.

Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS) VAWA Grant (STOP Violence Against Women Act) Pre-award Conditions and Standard Assurances forms for Grant #2019-WF-VA2-8214 in the amount of \$40,000.00 (\$30,000.00 from OCJS and \$10,000.00 local County match) and for Grant #2018-WF-VA2-8214a in the amount of \$40,000.00 (\$30,000.00 from OCJS and \$10,000.00 local County match). These grants are for the period January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

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Roll Call Vote: *Commissioner Dvorak* *Aye*
 Commissioner Spidalieri *Aye*
 Commissioner Lennon *Aye*

SHERIFF'S OFFICE – ANNUAL FEDERAL EQUITABLE SHARING AGREEMENT AND CERTIFICATION FOR FY2019

Sheriff Hildenbrand explained that this is the Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement report for the funds received from big drug cases we work on with other areas. The funds can be used for training and specific things.

Motion: *by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Annual Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification for FY ending December 31, 2019.*

Roll Call Vote: *Commissioner Dvorak* *Aye*
 Commissioner Spidalieri *Aye*
 Commissioner Lennon *Aye*

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT (COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC) – APPOINT LISA BRIGGS TO THE REVOLVING LOAN FUND AND LOCAL REVOLVING LOAN FUND COMMITTEES – 2 YEAR TERM

Program Coordinator Becky Sedivy asked the Board to appoint Lisa Briggs to the Revolving Loan Fund and Local Revolving Loan Fund committees, noting that she is currently serving on the Fair Housing Commission and is the CEO at the Geauga Credit Union.

Motion: *by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to appoint Lisa Briggs to the Geauga County Revolving Loan Fund Committee and the Geauga County Local Revolving Loan Fund Committee for a two-year term ending December 31, 2021.*

Roll Call Vote: *Commissioner Dvorak* *Aye*
 Commissioner Spidalieri *Aye*
 Commissioner Lennon *Aye*

DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES – GRANT AGREEMENT – FIRSTENERGY NUCLEAR OPERATING COMPANY – TWO YEARS

Deputy Director Tom Vencl asked the Board to approve the two-year agreement with FENOC in connection to the Nuclear Power Plant. There was a brief discussion about there being agreements with Lake and Ashtabula counties as well activities relating to trainings for the Power Plant.

Motion: *by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Grant Agreement between the FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company (FENOC) and the Geauga County Commissioners in connection to the emergency planning and preparedness with the Perry Nuclear Power Plant for the period January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021 (2 years) in the amount of \$220,719.00 in 2020 and \$225,910.00 in 2021.*

Roll Call Vote: *Commissioner Dvorak* *Aye*
 Commissioner Spidalieri *Aye*
 Commissioner Lennon *Aye*

DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES – AGREEMENT – LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)

Mr. Vencl asked the Board to approve the agreement LEPC for the department of Emergency Services to handle the administrative support for training, records and reports.

Motion: *by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute an Agreement between the Department of Emergency Services and the Geauga County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) to provide the following services to LEPC: Administrative Support; Emergency Response Coordinator (if elected by the Geauga LEPC); Secretarial/Treasurer Responsibilities; Information Coordinator*

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DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – APPROVE REVISED JOB DESCRIPTIONS

Dr. Oluic asked the Board to approve a small revision to four job descriptions to include a requirement for GIS data, mapping and other software applications.

Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve the revised job descriptions for the positions of Director (#2321), Sanitary Engineer (#2302), Assistant Sanitary Engineer (#2303) and Design Engineer (#2305) to be effective February 11, 2020.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>

FINANCIALS

Mr. Gorton noted that the payment to Hershberger is a partial payment, that there is still about \$7,600.00 remaining. Maintenance Director Glen Vernick explained that the only thing remaining is the gutters and they are supposed to be out this week to finish. Mr. Lennon explained that they have received calls about the condition of the parking lot at the dog shelter. There was discussion about having grindings put in and rolled to fix the pot holes. The public and volunteers are there and we need to do something to get it improved.

Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute Resolution #20-014 itemizing the financials for the meeting of February 11, 2020.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a) The Monthly Financial Report from the County Building Department for the month of January, 2020.*
- b) A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the week ending January 29, 2020 as required by O.R.C. 955.12.*
- c) A monthly report filed by the Geauga County Sheriff's Office of an account of expenses for the Inmate meals for the month ending December 2019.*

OTHER

The Board reviewed upcoming events. There was a brief discussion about scheduling the Solid Waste meeting for next week.

MEETINGS

- Tue., 2/11 Planning Commission meeting at 7:30 a.m. in the Planning Commission meeting room, Bldg. #1C, 470 Center Street, Chardon*
- Fri., 2/14 NOACA Finance & Audit 8:30 a.m., Governance 10:00 a.m., Executive 11:30 a.m. Cleveland*
- Mon., 2/17 **County offices will be closed for general business due to the President's Day holiday. Twenty-four-hour operations will continue to operate as usual.***
- Thu., 2/20 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:00 a.m. which will include a work session to conduct Interviews for Owners Representative*
- Fri., 2/21 Leadership Geauga Government Day, Luncheon 11:30 a.m. at St. Mary's*
- Mon., 2/24 Board of Revision, 9:00 a.m. Auditor's Office*
- Mon., 2/24 Family First Council, 1:30 p.m. at the Mental Health Offices*

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Tue., 2/25 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:00 a.m.

BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD

Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to adjourn the meeting at 10:24 a.m.

Geauga County Board of Commissioners

Timothy C. Lennon

Ralph Spidalieri

James W. Dvorak

Christine Blair, Commissioners' Clerk

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