

Commissioners' Journal
April 20, 2021

The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on April 20, 2021 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, James W. Dvorak opened the meeting at 9:39 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Dvorak asked for a moment of silence for former Sheriff Dan McClelland.

*The Sheriff's Prayer
When I start my tour of duty God,
Wherever crime may be,
As I drive the darkened streets,
Let me be close to thee.*

*Please give me understanding
With both the young and old,
Let me listen with attention
Until their story's told.*

*Let me never make a judgement
In a rash or callous way,
But let me hold my patience,
Let each man have his say.*

*Lord if some dark and dreary night,
I must give my life,
Lord with your everlasting love
Protect my family and my wife.*

Thank you, Sheriff Dan McClelland, for you are "Service Above Self"

COMMISSIONERS OFFICE - COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

County Administrator Gerard Morgan reported on the items approved by the County Administrator on April 15, 2021 that included a Liquor License and to concur with the Chester Township Trustees in not requesting a hearing on the Liquor License being requested by Elements Fitness Studios located at 8505 Mulberry Road, Chesterland, Ohio (C NEW 2485050) and on April 16, 2021 that included for Maintenance to approve hiring Jack Tavano to the position of Full-time Summer Help (#0101) to be effective May 3, 2021 through September 30, 2021 (or the start of school, whichever comes first) at the rate of \$10.00 per hour for up to twenty-one weeks (maximum of 840 hours); to approve hiring David Heller to the position of Full-time Summer Help ((#0101) to be effective May 12, 2021 through September 30, 2021 (or the start of school, whichever comes first) at the rate of \$10.00 per hour for up to twenty-one weeks (maximum of 840 hours); to approve hiring Nicholas Tilk to the position of Full-time Summer Help ((#0101) to be effective June 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021 (or the start of school, whichever comes first) at the rate of \$10.00 per hour for up to twenty-one weeks (maximum of 840 hours); and approved and executed the service Contract Agreement with HZW Environmental Consultants, LLC to provide Health, Safety and Environmental Consulting Services per the Maintenance Director for a two-year period, beginning April 20, 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00; and for Transit approved a medical leave without pay for up to three (3) months for Andrea Scheid, Full-time Driver beginning April 14, 2021 (Payroll #8) through July 10, 2021 (Payroll #14). Accrued sick leave shall be exhausted before being placed in an unpaid status. The employee may elect to substitute accrued vacation leave for any period of unpaid medical leave at any reasonable time during the leave of absence; and approved and executed the Ohio Motor Fuel Tax Refund Claim for Transit Buses for the period January 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021 in the amount of \$3,737.85 (\$303.60 Diesel and \$3,434.25 Gasoline); as authorized by Resolution #21-003 under the direction and supervision of the County Commissioners that was approved January 5, 2021 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 an Appropriation transfer to the Public Defender in their equipment account for a replacement copier, an Appropriation transfer for the Commissioners to our State Sales Tax Expense account to meet State Mandated reporting of Sales Tax collections at gross and net amounts; a Cash transfer out of the General Fund to Court Technology for a portion of their 2021 funding; a Cash transfer out of the General Fund to the Board of Developmental Disabilities for gas well proceeds from January – March, 2021; a Cash transfer out of the General Fund to Community Development, Board of Elections and Metzenbaum for the 1st Quarter 2021 interest transfer; a Then and Now for the Common Pleas Court to Justin Madden Co, LPA for mediation fees not previously encumbered; a payment for the Commissioners Office to Ohio State University for our 2nd Quarter 2021 funding commitment in the amount of \$69,165.25; a payment for the County Engineer's Office to Bainbridge Township (\$50,888.16), Chester Township (\$54,850.16) and Russell Township (\$31,361.64) for their Snow and Ice Removal agreements for the season, totaling \$137,099.96; a payment for Water Resources to Workman Industrial Services, Incorporated for pay request for the Auburn Corners Troy Oaks project in the amount of \$147,905.53; and a Revenue Certification for Water Resources in the sewer operating fund for additional revenue received for 2021.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and execute Resolution #21-043 itemizing the financials for the meeting of April 20, 2021.

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

AIRPORT AUTHORITY – AGREEMENT – CONSTRUCTION AND FUNDING OF NEW HANGARS AT THE GEAUGA COUNTY AIRPORT

Business Manager Ric Blamer asked the Board to approve the agreement for the funding of the new T-Hangars project, adding that they would be receiving bids on the 22nd, Thursday. Mr. Blamer stated that they were finalizing the plans for fiscal year 2022, including what projects can be applied for through ODOT and the FAA. There was a brief discussion about how ODOT awards funding and that it is based on a score of the project. Commissioner Lennon inquired about the hangars, to which Mr. Blamer noted that the new hangars are filled with deposits in place and they will have a few openings in the current hangars.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute the Agreement between the Geauga County Airport Authority and the Geauga County Board of Commissioners regarding the Construction and Funding of New Hangars at the Geauga County Airport in the amount of \$750,000.00 as a twenty (20) year loan at one and a half percent (1.5%) interest with a monthly payment amount of \$3,619.09.

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

Commissioner Spidalieri asked Mr. Blamer to explain the new fuel service to which Mr. Blamer noted that they had come online last year with the credit card system and they have had continued increase in sales and have several planes that have been flying in to fuel.

Mr. Lennon inquired about additional hangars, to which Mr. Blamer noted that they have a waiting list for the second, 8 Unit hangar, but have not yet accepted deposits. Mr. Blamer briefly talked about some activities they had planned and would like to do in the future. Mr. Lennon added that he was interested in more community development. Mr. Blamer mentioned the possibility of land leases for business on the airport.

Mr. Lennon expressed that he would like to see an actual business plan for the future.

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COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – UNIT PRICE CONTRACT – GRADE LINE
INCORPORATED – REPLACEMENT OF TAYLOR WELLS ROAD BRIDGE – CLARIDON
TOWNSHIP

Deputy Engineer Shane Hajjar asked the Board to execute the Contract with Grade Line for the replacement of the Taylor Wells Road Bridge, noting that there had been about ten bids on this project. This project has Ohio Public Works funding.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and execute the Unit Price Contract with Grade Line, Incorporated for the Replacement of the Taylor Wells Road Bridge (Structure #0113-00.390) in Claridon Township in the amount of \$118,024.00.

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

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – UNIT PRICE CONTRACT – RONYAK PAVING
INCORPORATED – ASPHALT RESURFACING OF AUBURN ROAD AND BELL STREET –
AUBURN AND NEWBURY TOWNSHIPS

Mr. Hajjar asked the Board to execute the Contract with Ronyak Paving for the resurfacing of Auburn Road and Bell Street, noting that this is Franks Street to 87 on Auburn and then Munn to Auburn on Bell Street, and since the sections intersect the project is being done together. Mr. Hajjar noted that the projects have been coming in under the Engineer's estimate, and the local companies are pursuing the projects.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and execute the Unit Price Contract with Ronyak Paving, Incorporated for the Asphalt Resurfacing of Auburn Road (CH-004, Sections F-H) and Bell Street (CH-0010, Section E) in Auburn and Newbury Townships in the amount of \$731,830.00.

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

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – UNIT PRICE CONTACT – RONYAK PAVING
INCORPORATED – SHOULDER WIDENING AND ASPHALT RESURFACING OF NAUVOO
ROAD – MIDDLEFIELD TOWNSHIP

Mr. Hajjar asked the Board to execute the Contract with Ronyak Paving for the widening and resurfacing of Nauvoo Road, which runs between State Routes 608 and 528 with local funding. This will allow for a paved shoulder on each side of the roadway for safety improvements. The total will be thirty feet, twenty feet of road with ten feet on each side. There was a brief discussion about the Amish Safety Improvement project and the possibility of additional funding to continue the project.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and execute the Unit Price Contract with Ronyak Paving, Incorporated for the Shoulder Widening and Asphalt Resurfacing of Nauvoo Road (CH 0041, Section A) in Middlefield Township in the amount of \$457,100.00.

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

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – UNIT PRICE CONTRACT – AERO-MARK COMPANY,
LLC – APPLICATION OF POLYESTER PAVEMENT MARKINGS TO VARIOUS ROADS

Mr. Hajjar asked the Board to execute the Contract with Aero-Mark Company, LLC for the pavement markings to various roads in Geauga County, adding that this project included Township roads that they will be reimbursing us for.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and execute the Unit Price Contract with Aero-Mark Company, LLC for the Application of Polyester Pavement Markings to Various Roads in Geauga County in the amount of \$262,929.50.

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

**COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – RESOLUTION TO ORDER THE IMPROVEMENT OF
AUBURN ROAD IN NEWBURY TOWNSHIP – EXECUTE COVER SHEET – SET BID
OPENING**

Mr. Hajjar asked the Board to approve the resolution to order the improvement of Auburn Road in Newbury Township, this is the section from State Route 87 to Fairmount Road. This has OPWC funding of approximately 50%. Mr. Hajjar asked the Board to execute the cover sheet and set the bid opening.

Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute Resolution #21-044 to Order the Improvement of Auburn Road (CH 4, Sections I-J) in Newbury Township.

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

Further, this resolution sets a Bid Opening on Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. Notice of this Bid Opening will be advertised on April 22, 2021.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date: April 20, 2021

Resolution: #21-044

**RESOLUTION TO ORDER THE IMPROVEMENT OF SECTIONS I-J OF AUBURN ROAD,
CH-4 IN NEWBURY TOWNSHIP**

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners has determined by Resolution 20-152 that the public convenience and welfare requires the improvement of Auburn Road (CH-4) from Kinsman Road (SR-87) to Fairmount Road (CH-16) by asphalt resurfacing and improving the shoulders and related improvements as necessary or otherwise improving the same in accordance with Section 5555.06 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, lands will not be taken relative to the improvements; and

WHEREAS, the cost of such improvement will not be excessive in view of the public utility thereof and no special assessments shall be collected to fund this improvement; and

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, after reviewing the plans with the County Engineer in public session, is satisfied that the public convenience and welfare require that said improvement be made.

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 in accordance with Section 5555.022 of the Ohio Revised Code hereby approves the surveys, plans, profiles, cross sections, estimates, and specifications for such improvement, the costs of which shall be paid from local and/or state funding sources in accordance with Section 5555.43 of the Ohio Revised Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners is hereby ordered to let this project for bids in accordance with Section 5555.61 of the Revised Code. The bids shall be let upon a unit price basis. Bids shall be received until 1:45 PM and opened and read aloud at 2:00 PM on Wednesday, May 12, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of Geauga County Board of Commissioners is hereby instructed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Newbury Township Board of Trustees and the Geauga County Engineer.

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

**COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – RESOLUTION TO ORDER THE ASPHALT
RESURFACING OF BUTTERNUT ROAD – MUNSON AND NEWBURY TOWNSHIPS –
EXECUTE COVER SHEET – SET BID OPENING**

Mr. Hajjar asked the Board to approve the resolution to order the resurfacing of Butternut Road, execute the cover sheet and set the bid opening. Mr. Hajjar explained that this will be the section from Auburn Road to State Route 44 and does also have OPWC funding.

Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute Resolution #21-045 to Order the Asphalt Resurfacing of Butternut Road (CH 0021, Sections D-E) in Munson and Newbury Townships.

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

Further, this resolution sets a Bid Opening on Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at 2:05 p.m. Notice of this Bid Opening will be advertised on April 22, 2021.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date: April 20, 2021

Resolution: #21-045

**RESOLUTION TO ORDER THE ASPHALT RESURFACING OF
SECTIONS D-E OF BUTTERNUT ROAD, CH-0021
IN MUNSON AND NEWBURY TOWNSHIPS**

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners has determined by Resolution 20-153 that the public convenience and welfare requires the improvement of Butternut Road (CH-21) from Auburn Road (CH-4) to Ravenna Road (SR-44) by asphalt resurfacing and improving the shoulders and related improvements as necessary or otherwise improving the same in accordance with Section 5555.06 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, lands will not be taken relative to the improvements; and

WHEREAS, the cost of such improvement will not be excessive in view of the public utility thereof and no special assessments shall be collected to fund this improvement; and

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, after reviewing the plans with the County Engineer in public session, is satisfied that the public convenience and welfare require that said improvement be made.

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 in accordance with Section 5555.022 of the Ohio Revised Code hereby approves the surveys, plans, profiles, cross sections, estimates, and specifications for such improvement, the costs of which shall be paid from local and/or state funding sources in accordance with Section 5555.43 of the Ohio Revised Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners is hereby ordered to let this project for bids in accordance with Section 5555.61 of the Revised Code. The bids shall be let upon a unit price basis. Bids shall be received until 1:45 PM and opened and read aloud at 2:05 PM on Wednesday, May 12, 2021.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of Geauga County Board of Commissioners is hereby instructed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Munson and Newbury Townships' Board of Trustees and the Geauga County Engineer.

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

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – RESOLUTION TO ORDER THE ASPHALT RESURFACING OF RUSSELL ROAD – RUSSELL TOWNSHIP – EXECUTE COVER SHEET – SET BID OPENING

Mr. Hajjar asked the Board to approve the resolution for Russell Road, execute cover sheet and set the bid opening. This project is a locally funded project.

Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute Resolution #21-046 to Order the Asphalt Resurfacing of Russell Road (CH 0020, Section A) in Russell Township.

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

Further, this resolution sets a Bid Opening on Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at 2:10 p.m. Notice of this Bid Opening will be advertised on April 22, 2021.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date: April 20, 2021

Resolution: #21-046

*RESOLUTION TO ORDER THE ASPHALT RESURFACING OF
SECTION A OF RUSSELL ROAD, CH-0020
IN RUSSELL TOWNSHIP*

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners has determined by Resolution 20-041 that the public convenience and welfare requires the improvement of Russell Road (CH-0020) from the Chagrin Falls Corp. Line to Kinsman Road (SR 87) by constructing and reconstructing culverts, performing drainage improvements, subgrade stabilization, asphalt resurfacing and improving shoulders and related improvements as necessary in accordance with Section 5555.06 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, lands will not be taken relative to the improvements; and

WHEREAS, the cost of such improvement will not be excessive in view of the public utility thereof and no special assessments shall be collected to fund this improvement; and

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, after reviewing the plans with the County Engineer in public session, is satisfied that the public convenience and welfare require that said improvement be made.

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 in accordance with Section 5555.022 of the Ohio Revised Code hereby approves the surveys, plans, profiles, cross sections, estimates, and specifications for such improvement, the costs of which shall be paid from local and/or state funding sources in accordance with Section 5555.43 of the Ohio Revised Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners is hereby ordered to let this project for bids in accordance with Section 5555.61 of the Revised Code. The bids shall be let upon a unit price basis. Bids shall be received until 1:45 PM and opened and read aloud at 2:10 PM on Wednesday, May 12, 2021.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of Geauga County Board of Commissioners is hereby instructed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Russell Township Board of Trustees, and the Geauga County Engineer.

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

COMMON PLEAS COURT / ADULT PROBATION – MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING – COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, SHERIFF’S OFFICE – TO APPROVE SUBMISION OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION AND CORRECTION, TARGETED COMMUNITY ALTERNATIVES TO PRISON (T-CAP) GRANT

Adult Probation Officer Nicole Walker asked the Board to execute the MOU for the TCAP grant, noting that it is the same amount as last year with no local match.

Motion: *by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and execute the Memorandum of Understanding between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, the Geauga County Court of Common Pleas, and the Geauga County Sheriff’s Office approving the submission of the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, Targeted Community Alternatives to Prison (T-CAP) Grant, documenting the roles and responsibilities for compliance requirements of the grant, pursuant to O.R.C. 5149.38, for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 (FY2022 and FY2023) in the amount of \$284,023.00 with no local match.*

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

VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION – APPLCATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO PERMIT USE OF COUNTY CREDIT CARD – YEAR 2021

There was a brief discussion about the need for Board members to have credit cards.

Motion: *by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Application for Authorization to Permit the Use of County Credit Cards (O.R.C. 301.27) for the Year 2021 for a Geauga Credit Union Visa with a not to exceed amount per month for the following:*

<i>Michele Pemberton</i>	<i>\$3,000.00</i>	<i>Stacie Malone</i>	<i>\$3,000.00</i>	<i>John Riha</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>John Brickman</i>	<i>\$3,000.00</i>	<i>Charles Boehnlein</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>	<i>Douglas Lundblad</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Randy McVicker</i>	<i>\$3,000.00</i>	<i>Blake Rear</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>	<i>Eric Stransky</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>

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

DEPARTMENT ON AGING – AWARD OF FUNDS – EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER PROGRAM – LOCAL RECIPIENT ORGANIZATION OF FEDERAL FUNDS – DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Administrative Services Manager Reba Dykes asked the Board to accept the award of funds for their Emergency Food and Shelter program through the United Way. This funding is for the emergency food pantry that they get out to needed seniors. This program was started last year specifically, due to COVID. The restrictions are that they have to report the invoices for the food that was purchased.

Motion: *by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and accept the Award of Funds from the Emergency Food and Shelter Program, Local Recipient Organization of Federal Funds from the Department of Homeland Security and Federal Emergency Management Agency under Phase 38 in the amount of \$5,000.00 to be used for food by October 31, 2021.*

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WATER RESOURCES – AUTHORIZE JAMES W. DVORAK, MEMBER AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO EXECUTE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION DISBURSEMENT REQUEST #2 – CHARDON TOWNSHIP SEWER PROJECT

Dr. Oluic asked the Board to authorize Mr. Dvorak to execute the OPWC Reimbursement Request #2 for Chardon Township.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and authorize James W. Dvorak, member and Chief Executive Officer to execute the Ohio Public Works Commission, Appendix E, Disbursement Request #2 for the Chardon Township Sewer Project in the amount of \$250,000.00.

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

There was a brief discussion about personnel in the department, that they had just gotten word of a resignation and what they are working towards to find replacements.

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – RESOLUTION HONORING THOMAS CLEMENS, FIRST GRADUATE OF THE NEW LEAF PROGRAM, COMMON PLEAS COURT

Commissioner Dvorak asked the Board to approve a resolution for the first graduate of the new program, the New Leaf Program through the Common Pleas Court.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute Resolution #21-047 Honoring Thomas Clemens, the First Graduate of the Geauga County Common Pleas Court, New Leaf Program.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Resolution: #21-047

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A RESOLUTION HONORING THOMAS CLEMENS, THE FIRST GRADUATE OF THE GEAUGA COUNTY COMMON PLEAS COURT, NEW LEAF PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Honorable Judge Carolyn Paschke, through the Geauga County Common Pleas Court started the New Leaf Program, a Drug Court in June 2019 and it was certified by the Ohio Supreme Court in October 2019; and

WHEREAS, the New Leaf Program is a sixteen to twenty-four (16-24) month program that requires participants to complete six phases, which include treatment, weekly/bi-weekly status hearings, random drug screens at least twice a week and participate in prosocial activities; and

WHEREAS, Participants progress in the program is reviewed by a treatment team that includes Judge Paschke, the Prosecutor, Defense Attorney, Probation Department along with local treatment providers who determine whether they can move into the next phase of the program; and

WHEREAS, the New Leaf Program is designed to allow participants to become responsible citizens of Geauga County by attempting to remove barriers that those in recovery often face like support, housing and transportation; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Clemens, age 55 has a criminal history that started when he was a juvenile, mainly due to drug use. Mr. Clemens entered the Drug Court, New Leaf Program in September 2019, following a violation of community control. Mr. Clemens is the first Graduate of the New Leaf Program, while very active in his recovery, attends twelve step meetings and wants to be a peer support person for other participants in the program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners do hereby honor Thomas Clemens, for his hard work in recovery and being the first Graduate of the Geauga County Common Pleas Court, New Leaf Program.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution become part of the permanent record of the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio.

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

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – EXECUTE SIGNATURE AND NO-LITIGATION CERTIFICATE, OFFICIAL STATEMENT AND CERTIFICATE OF PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT – AUTHORIZE PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT AND BOND REGISTRAR AGREEMENT - \$14 MILLION SPECIAL OBLIGATION SALES TAX SUPPORTED BONDS, SERIES 2021

Mr. Morgan asked the Board to execute the paperwork associated with the \$14 million special obligation bond for the county building improvement project. The interest rate was 1.75%.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and execute the Signature and No-Litigation Certificate, the Official Statement and Certificate concerning the Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Statement and further authorize the President of the Board to execute the Continuing Disclosure Agreement and Bond Registrar Agreement between Issuer and Bond Registrar for the \$14,000,000.00 Special Obligation, Sales Tax Supported Bonds, Series 2021 (County Building Improvement Project).

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

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – REQUEST FOR PARTIAL PAYMENT #6 – DONLEY'S INDEPENDENCE, LLC – COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. Morgan asked the Board to approve Payment Request #6 for Donley's on the building project.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Request for Partial Payment #6 for Donley's Independence, LLC for the Geauga County Office Building, GMP Phase #1 and Phase #2 in the amount of \$1,000,872.34.

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

COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING – INTERIOR COLOR SELECTION

Brad Gellert and Jennifer Murray from ThenDesign asked the Board to make decisions on color selection of materials to go within the building. Ms. Murray explained that she had a lot of samples to set up for the Board regarding flooring, paint, carpet, tiles, partitions, door color that compliment the exterior of the building along with the block being used within the building. Mr. Vernick explained that he would like to see one style throughout the building to make maintenance easier, and color selection should be based on easiest to hide stains or salt during the winter. Mr. Lennon inquired if they could do a rendering of the facility showing the color group selections so what it would look like. Overall neutral color for carpet, tile and using accent colors that compliment.

Patrick Canada from Donley's Independence provided some information on the erection of the steel on the new building and progress on the first floor, noting that the electrician was working in the basement and starting on the 25th they will start framing.

Diane Jones expressed some concern over the blues selection and while they are beautiful, she felt the browns and greens would be better long term. There was a brief discussion about a concern over tile on the floor.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a) *A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the weeks ending March 31, 2021 and April 7, 2021 as required by O.R.C. 955.12.*
- b) *A monthly report filed by the Geauga County Sheriff's Office of an account of expenses for the Inmate meals for the month ending March, 2021.*
- c) *A monthly report filed by the Geauga County Sheriff's Office of an account of expenses for the Prisoner Transport for the months ending February, 2021 and March, 2021 as required by O.R.C. 325.07.*
- d) *The Monthly Inventory Report, Consolidated Investment Portfolio and Obligations and Securities monthly reports filed by the Treasurer's Office for Geauga County for the Month of March, 2021 pursuant to ORC 135.35(L).*

OTHER

The Board reviewed upcoming events. Before the end of the meeting, Mr. Lennon noted that they had received notice that the Solid Waste meeting for noon had been cancelled by Trumbull County.

MEETINGS

- Tue., 4/20 Geauga Trumbull Solid Waste Management District Board of Directors meeting, 12:00 p.m., Warren, District Office (Zoom)*
- Mon., 4/26 Board of Revision, 9:00 a.m. Auditor's (Via Webex)*
- Tue., 4/27 The Commissioners' will hold regular session at 9:30 a.m.*
- Tue., 5/4 The Commissioners' will hold regular session at 9:30 a.m.*
- Tue., 5/11 Planning Commission, 7:30 a.m. 470 Center St. Building #8, meeting room*
- Tue., 5/11 The Commissioners' will hold regular session at 9:30 a.m.*
- Fri., 5/14 NOACA Finance at 8:30 a.m., Governance at 10:00 a.m. and Executive Board at 11:30 a.m., Cleveland*

BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to adjourn the meeting at 11:23 a.m.

Geauga County Board of Commissioners

James W. Dvorak

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Christine Blair, Commissioners' Clerk

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