

Commissioners' Journal
June 16, 2020

The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on June 16, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' meeting room located at 470 Center Street, Building #8 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 9:08 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Commissioner Dvorak was absent from today's meeting.*

MEETING MINUTES

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of May 28, 2020.

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

COMMISSIONERS OFFICE - COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Clerk Christine Blair read what the County Administrator Gerard Morgan approved on June 11, 2020, that included for the Department on Aging to approve an unpaid leave of absence for Leah Byler, Information and Referral Assistant for five hours during Payroll #13 (May 31, 2020 – June 13, 2020) due to a lack of sick and vacation time; for Maintenance, approved, executed and initialed the service Contract Agreement with Impullitti Landscaping to perform irrigation maintenance and repairs for the Red Simmons Memorial Site for a two-year period in an amount not to exceed \$2,000.00 and for Water Resources approved hiring Jacob Nottingham to the position of Full-time Summer Help (#0101) to be effective June 15, 2020 through September 30, 2020 (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 Ohio Water Development Authority Fund Payment Request #13 for Technical Services for the Chardon Township Wastewater Treatment Plant and Sewers Project (Henning Road) in the amount of \$2,793.16; 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.

APPROVE FINANCIALS

Budget and Finance Manager Adrian Gorton explained the financials for today as including an Appropriation transfer to the Sheriff for miscellaneous reimbursement checks that were deposited into the General Fund; a Cash transfer from the Commissioner's Office to the Sewer/Water Debt Retirement Fund for the 2020 first half debt payment for the County Water Tower (final payment) and Plant (one more payment in January 2021); a Cash transfer for Water Resources into the Sewer/Water Debt Retirement Fund for the first half debt payments; a Contract PO for the Commissioners for NV5, Incorporated for the Owners Representative agreement; Then and Nows for the Probate Court to Ibold and O'Brien, Jeffrey Orndorff and Scott Larrick for Court Appointed Guardian invoices that were not previously encumbered; a payment for the County Engineer's Office to Southeastern Equipment for a Hot Box asphalt maintenance reclaimer in the amount of \$26,075.00; and Revenue Certifications for ADP in Contract Services fund for more fees revenue, for Common Pleas Court Technology fund for a State Supreme Court tech grant and for Water Resources to recognize funds that were transferred into the Auburn Corners Sewer Project fund.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and execute Resolution #20-065 itemizing the financials for the meeting of June 16, 2020.

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

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COUNTY ENGINEERS' OFFICE – AWARD BID – GILL FARMS LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY – DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS OF RUSSELL ROAD

Deputy Engineer Shane Hajjar asked the Board to award the contract to Gill Farms Limited for the drainage improvements project on Russell Road. Mr. Hajjar stated that Gill Farms is a new bidder and has been properly vetted. Mr. Hajjar noted that they were going to complete this project ahead of a paving project in 2021.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to award the Bid to Gill Farms Limited Liability Company for the Drainage Improvements of Russell Road (CH 20, Section A) in Russell Township in the amount of \$86,762.14 as they represented the lowest and most responsive bid. The Bid Bond submitted shall be held to serve as the Performance Bond for this project.

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

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – UNIT PRICE CONTRACT – RONYAK PAVING, INCORPORATED – ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT OF TAYLOR WELLS ROAD – CLARIDON TOWNSHIP

Mr. Hajjar asked the Board to execute the contract with Ronyak Paving for the improvements to Taylor Wells Road just south of 322 for re-alignment of the intersection and resurfacing project. There was discussion on the types of projects that Ronyak Paving is bidding on, noting that if it has a lot of asphalt in it, they will bid, but use sub-contractors for the remaining parts of the contract.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and execute the Unit Price Contract with Ronyak Paving, Incorporated for the Roadway Improvement of Taylor Wells Road (CH 28) in Claridon Township in the amount of \$745,000.00.

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

There was a brief discussion on upcoming projects with ODOT regarding the intersection of Auburn and State Route 322 along with the Amish buggy lane safety improvement project.

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – ADVERTISE POSITION – FULL-TIME ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT (#2345)

Director Steven Oluic asked the Board to advertise for an Administrative Assistant.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to grant permission to advertise for the position of Full-time Administrative Assistant (#2345). This position will remain posted until filled.

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

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION, APPENDIX E DISBURSEMENT REQUEST #3 – AUBURN CORNERS WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT EXPANSION AND TROY OAKS WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT CONVERSION PROJECT

Dr. Oluic asked the Board to allow Mr. Lennon to execute the OPWC Disbursement Request #3 for the Auburn Corners Troy Oaks project.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and authorize Timothy C. Lennon, President to execute the Ohio Public Works Commission, Appendix E Disbursement Request #3 for the Auburn Corners Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion and Troy Oaks Wastewater Treatment Plant conversion project in the amount of \$398,248.68.

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

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a) *A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the week ending June 3, 2020 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 May 2020.*

Discussion took place with Sheriff Scott Hildenbrand, including Commissioner Lennon expressing his support for the Sheriff's Department. Sheriff Hildenbrand mentioned that several surrounding sheriff departments were working together on a group price purchase for riot gear trying to be proactive. Sheriff Hildenbrand talked about sending several deputies to Cleveland to relieve some of their Officers that had been standing during the protest for sixteen hours gear. There was talk among those in attendance about the current events taking place throughout the world.

OTHER

The Board reviewed upcoming events.

MEETINGS

- Wed., 6/17 Courthouse Security meeting, 11:00 a.m. via Webex*

- Thu., 6/18 NOACA – COVID-19 Impact on Transportation Webinar, 12:00 p.m.*

- Fri., 6/19 NOACA Air Quality 9:00 a.m., Transportation 10:00 a.m., Water Quality 12:00 p.m.*

- Fri., 6/19 NOACA Special Board meeting #1 – Equity Statement, 1:30 p.m.*

- Mon., 6/22 Board of Revision, 9:00 a.m. Auditor's Office*

- Tue., 6/23 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:00 a.m., Building #8 meeting room*

- Wed., 6/24 NOC COG, 12:00 p.m. Conference Call*

- Thu., 6/25 NOACA GIS Portal 101 Webinar, 12:00 p.m.*

- Fri., 6/26 NOACA Advisory Board meetings*

- Fri., 6/26 NOACA Special Board meeting #2 – Equity Statement, 1:30 p.m.*

- Tue., 6/30 Investment Advisory Board, 8:45 a.m. Building #8 meeting room*

- Tue., 6/30 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:00 a.m., Building #8 meeting room which will include a Public Hearing at 9:30 a.m. to discuss the Geauga County 2021 Tax Budget*

- Fri., 7/3 **Geauga County Offices will be Closed in observance of the Independence Day Holiday. Twenty-four-hour operations will continue as normal***

- Sat., 7/4 **Independence Day***

- Tue., 7/7 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:00 a.m.*

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BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to adjourn the meeting at 9:37 a.m.

Geauga County Board of Commissioners

Timothy C. Lennon

Ralph Spidalieri

James W. Dvorak

Christine Blair, Commissioners' Clerk

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