

Commissioners' Journal
September 15, 2020

The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in special session on September 15, 2020 at 10:00 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 10:12 a.m.

AIRPORT AUTHORITY – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TO EXECUTE AND SUBMIT THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION GRANT OFFER – 2020 AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – CERTIFICATIONS OF THE GRANT OFFER

Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute Resolution #20-106 Authorizing the President of the Board of the Geauga County Board of Commissioners to execute and submit the Federal Aviation Administration Grant Offer for the 2020 Airport Improvement Program (Grant No. 3-39-0054-022-2020) and further authorize the President of the Board to execute the Certifications of the grant offer, pending approval from the Prosecutor's Office.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date: September 15, 2020

Resolution: #20-106

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO EXECUTE AND SUBMIT THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION GRANT OFFER FOR THE 2020 AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (GRANT NO. 3-39-0054-022-2020)

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Airport Authority ("Airport Authority"), on its own behalf and on behalf of the Geauga County Board of Commissioners ("Board of Commissioners") (hereinafter collectively "Sponsors"), submitted to the Federal Airport Administration ("FAA") a Grant Application for the 2020 Airport Improvement Program on July 15, 2020, for a grant of federal funds to be used to rehabilitate the runway, taxiway, and concrete apron at or associated with the Geauga County Airport Authority; and

WHEREAS, the FAA extended a grant offer to the Sponsors and the Sponsors desire to accept the FAA's grant offer; and

WHEREAS, the Sponsors are required to each electronically execute and submit the acceptance of the grant offer to the FAA no later than September 15, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners desire to have the President of the Board of Commissioners execute the grant offer on behalf of the Board of Commissioners.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the President of the Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized to accept and electronically execute and submit the grant offer referenced herein to the FAA for processing.

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

<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>

Airport Manager Ric Blamer explained that originally, the grant included funding from ODOT for a portion of the project and the other portion was to be FAA funding, but learned that due to COVID, FAA had pulled their funding. Mr. Blamer stated that in the end of June the funding

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was to be made available and submitted the application in July. Mr. Blamer explained that this project included crack sealing and rehabilitating the runways, aprons and restriping the runways. Mr. Blamer stated that they hoped to get the project complete before the end of the year.

DISCUSSION – UPDATES ON THE AIRPORT

Mr. Blamer explained that they were ready to apply for the State Infrastructure Bank for the Hangar Project. Commissioner Lennon inquired about a match on the grant for the hangars to which Mr. Blamer replied that there is no match. Mr. Blamer noted that the project is for ten units and are 100% subscribed already and building a waiting list. Mr. Lennon added that there has to be a market, that if the facilities are right people will move out here.

Commissioner Spidalieri asked Mr. Blamer to talk about the fuel sales, to which Mr. Blamer noted that last year they had about 4 to 5 transients and now they have that many each week. Mr. Blamer noted that just recently they celebrated the 100th Anniversary of the mail transient and held an event at the airport.

Commissioner Dvorak inquired if they were still having their pancake breakfast, which Mr. Blamer noted that they did cancel it.

Mr. Blamer briefly talked about their weather system they installed last year, that allows pilots to tap and get full weather reports. Currently we cannot do night approach due to a small obstruction, but have applied for an FAA grant to remove it. The PAPI lighting is pilot controlled and comes on and allows them to land. There was discussion about some of the cliental that comes in and out of the airport. Mr. Blamer noted that they were discussing doing land leases for some of the development, noting that someone is interested in building a hangar to do painting and another that does Ag planes and wants to do maintenance and avionics shop.

Mr. Blamer explained that the FAA funding is primarily for land purchases, noted the Hodgins property, Ford property and the Venelac property. They talked about the courtesy car they have available and any need for a second car and cars that come up for auction.

Mr. Spidalieri inquired about the new PHI helicopter company and where they were at on the Building which Mr. Blamer noted that they don't have heat yet and it will need a new roof. There are provisions in the agreement for tenant improvement. They briefly discussed putting in Jet A fuel and if that was something they could do, but the cost right now would be about \$300,000.00 to do. Mr. Blamer noted that runway length is more important, and getting to 4,000 feet is a priority.

Mr. Lennon inquired about a business survey that they did regarding business jet use.

There was a brief discussion about the deadline today at 5:00 p.m. to complete the process and that the FAA was not inclined to extend the deadline.

OTHER

The Board reviewed upcoming events.

MEETINGS

Tue., 9/15 Perry Nuclear Power Plant Evaluated Exercise

Thu., 9/17 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:00 a.m.

Mon., 9/21 Family First Council, 1:30 p.m. Job and Family Services

Tue., 9/22 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:00 a.m.

Tue., 9/22 Budget Hearings, starting at 12:00 p.m.

Thu., 9/24 Budget Hearings, starting at 8:30 a.m.

Tue., 9/29 Investment Advisory Board, 8:45 a.m. Chambers

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Tue., 9/29 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:00 a.m.

Tue., 9/29 Budget Hearings, starting at 12:00 p.m.

BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD

Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to adjourn the meeting at 10:37 a.m.

Geauga County Board of Commissioners

Timothy C. Lennon

Ralph Spidalieri

James W. Dvorak

Christine Blair, Commissioners' Clerk

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