

**Commissioners' Journal**  
**December 29, 2020**

*The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on December 29, 2020 at 9:00 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 9:06 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.*

*Commissioner Dvorak read the following prayer:*

*Holy Spirit,*

*I ask you for clear and specific direction in my life, family and ministry henceforth.*

*As the year is coming to an end, please show me areas I need to invest my strengths,*

*Sow seeds of love and take steps of faith, for the Glory of God, in Jesus name.*

*Amen*

**FINANCIALS**

*County Administrator Gerard Morgan reported on financials from December 22, 2020, Resolution #20-182 that included Appropriation transfers for Common Pleas to true up Medicare account to the end of the year, Supplemental De-Appropriations for Liability Self Insurance, Hotel/Motel Excise Tax, Sewer/Water Debt Retirement and County Sewer Improvements Funds for year-end adjustments, Cash transfers from the General Fund to the Liability Self Insurance Fund for payments of insurance deductibles, year end payments from Job and Family Services to various vendors that had to be processed after the morning session and Revenue Certifications from the Commissioners' Office for money received in 2020 in the Liability Self-Insurance Fund and the Auditor's Office for COVID Relief Funds returned from the Townships; as approved by the County Administrator pursuant to Resolution #20-005 approved January 7, 2020 to authorize the County Administrator to execute, in the case of a lack of quorum of Commissioners and / or if session is cancelled on a regular financial day or on a day when financials need to be approved, the required approvals for county financials on behalf of the Board during the Year 2020, as authorized by O.R.C. 305.30.*

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – SUBGRANT AWARD AGREEMENT – AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY**

*Prosecutor Jim Flaiz explained that he had sent the information to the Board after he and Mr. Walder had been working on it for the last ten days. Mr. Flaiz explained that the Fair Board did a great job of submitting the information, they included invoices that totaled over \$178,000.00 and after going through it all, there were some things that didn't fit the allowable expenses. Mr. Flaiz expressed that the State handed down some strict guidelines about holding a fair and was amazed at how they managed to do everything and hold a successful modified fair. Mr. Flaiz explained that after removing the things that couldn't be covered the amount is \$156,646.17. Mr. Walder expressed that he agreed with Mr. Flaiz and Mr. Harris on the expenses, and that both of their staff have been working long hours as we are in the final hours on wrapping up the CARES Act Expenditures. Mr. Walder noted that the President had extended the use, however the Governor had not yet approved it. Mr. Walder explained that we should consume all the funding we have left while we can, so we are asking to then move any of the remaining funds into the General Fund for Safety Forces. Commissioner Lennon stated that he had reviewed it and a lot of the hoops were cost incurred related to the public health crisis and he is comfortable with this agreement. Commissioner Spidalieri stated that 2020 has been a challenging year, and it's comforting to see the coordination and everyone working together on this. Mr. Spidalieri expressed being proud on how things have worked out for taxpayers and will be a positive for our County. Mr. Spidalieri thanked Mr. Harris for everything they did to keep the fair and that the kids still had smiles on their faces. Mr. Walder stated that overall the departments worked together and did what they needed to do, noting that last night we had the final numbers at about 6:30 p.m. Mr. Dvorak expressed his gratitude for Mr. Flaiz and Mr. Walder for everything they did including the classes they put together for the Townships on how to handle the CARES Act funding, and that the Fair Board fought to keep the fair going. Mr. Flaiz added that Mr. Walder put resources on the website for the Townships, the Villages and the City. Mr. Walder noted that they only had one Village return funding and that was Aquilla Village. Mr. Walder expressed*

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*that the hail Mary pass here was when the regulations were changed to allow allocation for the Safety Forces payroll, this will save the County and Townships money. Mr. Flaiz expressed that we are asking the Board to approve the subgrant and then the payout of the expenditure.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the CARES Act Subgrant Agreement between the Geauga County Board of County Commissioners and the Geauga County Agricultural Society in the amount of \$156,646.17, and further approve Purchase Order #2020-4588 in the amount of \$9,146.17 and Purchase Order #2020-4589 in the amount of \$147,500.00.*

<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>

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – RESOLUTION OF ACCEPTANCE – CARES ACT EXPENDITURES**

*Mr. Flaiz explained that we had discussed moving the remaining amount to the Safety Forces and so, the resolution doesn't have an amount, it will just be whatever is remaining at the end of today. Mr. Walder stated that the remaining balance as of 7:00 p.m. last evening is \$328,361.86 and that amount will go into the General Fund and be used for Safety Forces Payroll and that will zero all the accounts into the salary funds. Mr. Lennon inquired about when we were able to do this, to which it was noted that they released the changes in October and after some back and forth on language that was not clear, and after going back and forth with the State, we have an opinion from OBM on being able to do this.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute Resolution #20-183 of Acceptance Approving CARES Act Expenditures in the amount of \$328,361.86.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Date: December 29, 2020*

*Resolution: #20-183*

**RESOLUTION OF ACCEPTANCE APPROVING CARES ACT EXPENDITURES**

*WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, 116 Public Law 136, (the CARES Act) was signed into law by the President of the United States on March 27, 2020; and*

*WHEREAS, the Ohio General Assembly established a process for distributing funds provided by the "Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act" in House Bill 481 of the 133<sup>rd</sup> General Assembly (HB 481); and*

*WHEREAS, the Governor signed HB 481, which was effective June 19, 2020; and*

*WHEREAS, HB 481 requires subdivisions receiving funds under Section 1 of the act, to pass a resolution affirming that funds from the County Coronavirus Relief Distribution Fund may be expended only to cover costs of the subdivision consistent with the requirements of section 5001 of the CARES Act as described in 42 U.S.C. 601(d), and any applicable regulations before receiving said funds; and*

*WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners passed Resolution #20-068 affirming that funds so received would be expended only to cover costs of the County consistent with the requirements of section 5001 of the CARES Act as described in 42 U.S.C. 601(d), and any applicable regulations before receiving said funds; and*

*WHEREAS, the County Auditor has vetted the expenditures as he is statutorily required to do pursuant to R.C. 319.16; and*

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*WHEREAS, the United States Department of Treasury (U.S. Treasury) updated their Coronavirus Relief Fund Guidance for State, Territorial, Local, and Tribal Governments on September 2, 2020; and*

*WHEREAS, in recognition of the particular importance of public safety workers to State and local government responses to the public health emergency, the U.S. Treasury has provided, as an administrative accommodation, that a State or local government may presume that public safety employees meet the substantially dedicated test, meaning that work performed by such employees is considered to be a substantially different use than accounted for in the most recently approved budget as of March 27, 2020. All costs of such employees may be covered using payments from the Coronavirus Relief Fund for services provided during the period that begins on March 1, 2020, and ends on December 30, 2020; and*

*WHEREAS, the U.S. Treasury has supplemented their guidance to clarify that public safety employees would include police officers, sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, firefighters, emergency medical responders, correctional and detention officers, and those who directly support such employees such as dispatchers and supervisory personnel; and*

*WHEREAS, the U.S. Treasury guidance states that payroll and benefits of a substantially dedicated employee may be covered using payments from the Coronavirus Relief Fund to the extent incurred between March 1, 2020 and December 30, 2020; and*

*WHEREAS, the Ohio Office of Budget and Management updated their Coronavirus Fund Local Assistance Program guidance on October 1, 2020; and*

*WHEREAS, the Ohio Office of Budget and Management Coronavirus Fund Local Assistance Program guidance provides that payroll expenses for public safety and similar employees whose services are substantially dedicated to mitigating or responding to the COVID-19 public health emergency are allowable acknowledging that the U.S. Treasury has indicated that the full amount of payroll and benefits for substantially dedicated employees may be covered using the funds; and*

*WHEREAS, the Ohio Office of Budget and Management Coronavirus Fund Local Assistance Program guidance states that public safety personnel are "presumed" for administrative convenience to be substantially dedicated unless the chief executive determines that specific circumstances indicate otherwise. Further, the U. S. Treasury has provided an administrative accommodation for "presumed" public safety employees indicating these employees which meet the substantially dedicated test are considered substantially different use, thus allowing for previously budgeted personnel to be eligible to be charged to the Coronavirus Relief Fund; and*

*WHEREAS, the Ohio Office of Budget and Management Coronavirus Fund Local Assistance Program guidance states that Public Safety positions include: Police officers, sheriffs, and deputy sheriffs; firefighters; emergency medical responders; correctional and detention officers; and those who directly support such employees such as dispatchers and supervisory personnel; and*

*WHEREAS, the Ohio Office of Budget and Management has recommended that the legislative authority pass a resolution indicating which positions are eligible to be paid from CARES Act funding; and*

*WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners in consultation with the Sheriff and Prosecuting Attorney have previously determined that the following positions fall under the definition of "Public Safety position" as set forth in the guidance provided by the U.S. Treasury and the Ohio Office of Budget and Management: Deputy Sheriff; Sergeant; Lieutenant; Corrections Officer; Corrections Sergeant; Dispatcher; and Dispatch Sergeant; and*

*WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners previously found the aforementioned "Public Safety positions" pursuant to the guidance set forth by the U.S. Treasury and the Ohio Office of Budget and Management are "presumed" to be substantially dedicated to mitigating or responding to the COVID-19 public health emergency; and*

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*WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners previously adopted Resolution #20-148 to encumber \$1,250,000.00 of Coronavirus Relief Fund monies for the reimbursement and/or expenditure of wages for the aforementioned "Public Safety positions"; and*

*WHEREAS, various other projects and/or purchases using Coronavirus Relief Fund monies were previously approved by the Board of Commissioners and said funds were previously encumbered for those projects; and*

*WHEREAS, at the time of the adoption of this Resolution, there remain expenditures for which Coronavirus Relief Fund monies were previously encumbered that are at risk of not being expended by the grant deadline date; and*

*WHEREAS, in the event that any or all of the expenditures referenced in the above paragraph are not expended by 4:30pm on December 29, 2020, the Board of Commissioners alternatively wishes to encumber any remaining unexpended Coronavirus Relief Fund monies for the reimbursement and/or expenditure of wages for the aforementioned "Public Safety Positions".*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners upon review of the expenditures paid from the Geauga County general fund for the aforementioned "Public Safety positions", reaffirm that said expenditures are approved and are:*

- (1) A necessary expense incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19);*
- (2) Work performed by such employees is considered to be a substantially different use than accounted for in the County's most recently approved budget as of March 27, 2020; and*
- (3) Was incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020, and ends on December 30, 2020.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners hereby authorize an alternative encumbrance in the amount of the remaining unexpended Coronavirus Relief Fund monies for the reimbursement and/or expenditure of wages for the aforementioned "Public Safety positions" in the event there remain expenditures for which Coronavirus Relief Fund monies were previously encumbered remain at risk of not being expended as of 4:30pm on December 29, 2020; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the amount remaining unexpended in the Coronavirus Relief Fund shall be transferred to the general fund for the reimbursement/payment of salaries of the aforementioned "Public Safety positions."*

*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>

**APPROVE FINANCIALS**

*Budget and Finance Manager Adrian Gorton explained the financials for today as including an Appropriation transfer and Supplementals from the Auditor and Board of Developmental Disabilities to true up account balances in the Coronavirus Relief and Metzenbaum Funds for year end, Supplemental De-Appropriations for Liability Self Insurance, Hotel/Motel Excise Tax, Sewer/Water Debt Retirement, and County Sewer Improvements Funds for year-end adjustments, Cash transfers from the MRDD Fund (Board of Developmental Disabilities) to the Residential Fund for client service expenses, a payment from the Coronavirus Relief Fund to the Geauga County Agricultural Society for CARES act subgrant expenses incurred as a result of the pandemic and in accordance with Resolution of Acceptance #20-183 in the amount of \$156,646.17 and Revenue De-Certification from MRDD for money that will not be received in 2020 in their Residential Services Fund.*

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*Motion:* by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute Resolution #20-184 itemizing the financials for the meeting of December 28, 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>

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION APPENDIX E – DISBURSEMENT REQUEST FORM AND CERTIFICATION #2 – FINAL – RESURFACING OF CAVES ROAD

*Deputy Engineer Nick Gorris asked the Board to authorize Mr. Lennon to execute the Disbursement Request #2 and final for the resurfacing of Caves Road project. Mr. Gorris noted that the Board had previously approved the final change order and this will close out the project.*

*Motion:* by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and authorize Timothy C. Lennon, member and Chief Executive Officer to execute the Ohio Public Works Commission Appendix E – Disbursement Request Form and Certification No. 2 and Final in order to release funds from the state portion of our OPWC grant for the Asphalt Resurfacing of Caves Road (CH 30, Sections A-D) in Chester Township in the amount of \$117,829.40.

<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>

DEPARTMENT ON AGING – AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES – VILLAGE OF MIDDLEFIELD – MIDDLEFIELD SENIOR CENTER

*Assistant Director Kathy Petrella asked the Board to execute the agreement with the Village of Middlefield for the senior center, explaining that while the centers are not open that this location is used for a large portion of the home delivered meals. Ms. Petrella stated that there is no increase, and once they figure out the testing, they hope to be able to open the centers again.*

*Motion:* by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute the Agreement for Services between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, the Geauga County Department on Aging and the Village of Middlefield for the Middlefield Village Senior Center for a two-year term, January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022 in the amount of \$17,500.00 (\$8,750.00 per year).

<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>

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – CHANGE ORDER #3 – INCREASE CONTRACT – WORKMAN INDUSTRIAL SERVICES, INCORPORATED – AUBURN CORNERS WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT EXPANSION AND TROY OAKS PUMPSTATION UPGRADE

*Fiscal and Personnel Specialist Kathleen Miller asked the Board to approve change order #3, which is an increase for the Auburn Corners Expansion and Troy Oaks Pump Station upgrade. Ms. Miller explained that this removes the paving at the Troy Oaks site, which is a reduction with a modification to the fence that is an increase which will then increase the contract by just over \$2,900.00.*

*Motion:* by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute Change Order #3, increasing the Contract with Workman Industrial Services, Incorporated for the Auburn Corners Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion and Troy Oaks Pump Station Upgrade to eliminate the asphalt paving at the Troy Oaks site (reduction of \$10,500.00) and modify the fence to enable better access (increase of \$13,416.13) for an increase in the amount of \$2,916.13.

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

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – RESOLUTION TO APPOINT ERIC FINK TO NEOCAP BOARD - TABLED

*This item was on the agenda, Mr. Lennon inquired about who requested the appointment and expressed concern over appointing someone that we don't have a lot of information on them. Mr. Morgan explained that this joint board requires the appointment be made by all counties. Mr. Lennon reviewed the resolution and asked to table for further information.*

*The Commissioners' Office is requesting the Board approve and execute Resolution #20-185 Appointing Eric Fink to the Northeast Ohio Community Alternative Program (NEOCAP) Facility Governing Board to fill the unexpired term of Aaron J. Heavner.*

*Motion:           by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to table the Resolution to appoint Eric Fink to the Northeast Ohio Community Alternative Program (NEOCAP) Facility Governing Board so further information can be obtained.*

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

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – LETTER OF ENGAGEMENT – SQUIRE PATTON BOGGS – SPECIAL OBLIGATION SALES TAX SUPPORTED BONDS, SERIES 2021

*Motion:           by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Letter of Engagement with Squire Patton Boggs regarding the Special Obligation Sales Tax Supported Bonds, Series 2021 for the County Building Improvement Project.*

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

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – APPROVE CREATION, TITLE AND JOB DESCRIPTIONS FOR FISCAL ASSISTANT (#1325) AND SENIOR FISCAL SPECIALIST (#1326) – REVISE ORGANIZATION CHART TO INCLUDE POSITIONS – ADVERTISE POSITIONS INTERNALLY

*Mr. Gorton explained that it became apparent that there needed to be some additional steps in the fiscal department. Mr. Gorton explained there is a big leap between the Administrative Assistant to a Fiscal Specialist, and created a position called a Fiscal Assistant that will provide assistance to our current Fiscal Specialist.*

*Motion:           by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve the creation, title and job description for the position of Fiscal Assistant (#1325) to be effective December 29, 2020.*

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

*Mr. Gorton explained that our current Fiscal Specialist, Deborah Ashburn has helped in a leadership role and assisted other departments that have needed it due to a loss of employees in their offices. Mr. Lennon expressed that she has been important in assisting Mr. Gorton. Mr. Gorton expressed that Ms. Ashburn has gone above the Fiscal Specialist role. Mr. Spidalieri added that Mr. Gorton has taken the time to train them and allow them to learn and that is part of the success of the team here.*

*Motion:           by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve the creation, title and job description for the position of Senior Fiscal Specialist (#1326) to be effective December 29, 2020.*

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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>

*Mr. Gorton added that these positions will need to be included on the organizational chart and once hiring and promotions are complete the current position will need to be removed.*  
*Mr. Morgan explained that there are two additional items on the agenda that are requesting the advertise for these positions.*

*Motion:* by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve the revised Organizational Chart for the Commissioner's Office to include the new positions of Fiscal Assistant (#1325) and Senior Fiscal Specialist (#1326) to be effective December 29, 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>

*Motion:* by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to grant permission to advertise for the position of Fiscal Assistant (#1325) internally for a period of five days.

<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>

*Motion:* by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to grant permission to advertise for the position of Senior Fiscal Specialist (#1326), internally for a period of five days.

<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>

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – EXECUTIVE SESSION**

*Motion:* by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the discipline, employment and compensation of public employees.

<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>

*The Board moved into Executive Session at 9:42 a.m. with Mr. Morgan and Mr. Flaiz. The Board returned at 10:08 a.m. with no action at this time.*

**WORK SESSION**

*The Board moved into a Work Session at 10:09 a.m. to review and discuss the items for the upcoming Organization Meeting on January 5, 2021. Clerk Christine Blair went over the packet for next week, pointing out changes that have been made since last year. Ms. Blair explained that she was waiting for information on the compensation for the Drainage Engineer.*

*The Board went over the list of committee appointments for next year beginning with the President and Vice President for the next year, Boards the Commissioners will sit on. There was a brief discussion about NOACA and the need to appoint some advisory council positions due to some appointee's lack of attendance and the charging stations that are proposed to be put in the county. The Board continued going over the items including the meeting schedule information and include some language about virtual meetings and adding the Building 8 meeting room as an alternate location and the time change to 9:30 a.m., staff appointments, county administrator powers, copy charges with the removal of the CD charge and including a USB charge for records requests, drainage engineer and compensation, prevailing wage coordinators, and the use of credit cards.*

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*The Board moved out of the Work Session at 10:26 a.m.*

**BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

*Ms. Blair noted that the Board had two outstanding appointments for the year including the Planning Commission and the Airport Authority. Mr. Spidalieri requested to hold on the re-appointment for Planning and instead request applications.*

*Mr. Spidalieri brought the idea of working on a position that will handle and market some of the things they are doing in the county. Mr. Morgan expressed that he had been thinking about something similar but maybe like a Public Information Officer to handle newsletter, website or social media.*

*There was a brief discussion about the recommendation from the Airport Authority of Mr. Makee Jr. and Mr. Spidalieri motioned to appoint.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to appoint James Makee, Jr. to the Airport Authority Board for a four-year term, January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2024.*

<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>

**DISCUSSION ON COVID19 AND VACCINES**

*A local resident inquired about when the vaccine was going to be available to seniors in the County. Mr. Morgan noted that they started with first responders and those in nursing homes and congregate settings. Mr. Morgan stated that we are waiting for the State to make decisions and then they tell us what those decisions are.*

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR TRUMBULL COUNTY COMMISSIONER**

*Mr. Spidalieri asked to put together a letter of support for Trumbull County Commissioner Dan Polivka.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to compose a Letter of Support for Trumbull County Commissioner Dan Polivka.*

<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>

**GEAUGA TRUMBULL SOLID WASTE**

*There was a brief discussion about the new facility in Geauga County, that the bids had been received and an award selected and made for the location on Merritt Road. Mr. Spidalieri suggested having Ms. Jones come to the meeting and present information and maybe a rendering on the new facility.*

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

- a) A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the weeks ending December 9, 2020 and December 16, 2020 as required by O.R.C. 955.12.*
- b) The 2019 Annual Inventory of all materials, machinery, tools and other county supplies pursuant to ORC 305.18 for the following: ADP, Auditor, Building, Clerk of Courts, Community Development, Commissioners', Dog Warden, Engineer's, Job and Family Services, Maintenance, Mental Health, Planning, Prosecutor, Public Defender, Recorder, Sheriff, Treasurer, Veterans and Water Resources.*

**OTHER**

*The Board reviewed upcoming events.*

**MEETINGS**

*Fri., 1/1 County Offices will be closed for general business in observance of New*



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**Year's Day. Twenty-four hour operations will continue to operate as normal.**

Tue., 1/5 The Commissioners' will hold regular session at 9:30 a.m. which will include their Annual Organizational meeting.

Mon., 1/11 Board of Revision, Organizational meeting, 3:00 p.m. Auditor's Office

Tue., 1/12 The Commissioners' will hold regular session at 9:30 a.m.

Mon., 1/18 **County offices will be closed for general business due to Martin Luther King Jr. holiday. Twenty-four hour operations will continue to operate as usual.**

**BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD**

Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to adjourn the meeting at 10:42 a.m.

Geauga County Board of Commissioners

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Timothy C. Lennon

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Ralph Spidalieri

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James W. Dvorak

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Christine Blair, Commissioners' Clerk

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