

**Commissioners' Journal**  
**February 23, 2012**

*The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on February 23, 2012 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, Mary E. Samide opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**APPROVE MINUTES**

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of February 16, 2012.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**APPROVE FINANCIALS**

*County Administrator David Lair explained the financials from February 21, 2012 as Supplemental Appropriations for the Intensive Supervision Probation fund to allow for the court ordered transfer of funds and the Real Estate Assessment Fund to prepare for the 2012 aerial evaluation.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution #12-028 as approved by the County Administrator pursuant to the motion approved January 19, 2012 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 the required approvals for county financials on behalf of the Board during the Year 2012, as authorized by O.R.C. 305.30, and further authorize the County Administrator to approve financials during the months of January and February 2012, if it is necessary for financials to be approved at a time between regular scheduled sessions of the Commissioners.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**DEPARTMENT ON AGING – SUB-LEASE AGREEMENT – ORCHARD HILLS CENTER, LLC – WEST GEAUGA SENIOR CENTER PROGRAM SPACE**

*Director Sally Bell explained that this is the same location that they had previous been in and that they had been paying the utilities for the whole building as the Metzenbaum center seniors we're using the space. Metzenbaum was paying \$1000.00 a month for rent for that space. Ms. Bell stated that when Metzenbaum moved out she spoke with the Pattersons about the space, checking to see if it would be available or if they were looking at other people, and if so that the senior center wanted to be considered for the space. Ms. Bell stated that the West Geauga Senior Center is the second largest center in the county and that they are in need of additional space. The Pattersons informed Ms. Bell that the space would be available. Ms. Bell then asked the Board to approve breaking the current lease, which was a thirty (30) day notice and bid out for the space. Ms. Bell stated that Pattersons had bid for the West Geauga Senior Center existing and new space and were lowest and best bid at the new price. Commissioner Young asked about how many more people would be allowed in comparison to the space before. Ms. Bell explained that the additional "new" space will be dedicated to the arts and crafts programs. Currently the department is in process of purchasing a kiln and two wheels for pottery. A quilting teacher is willing to work with them at that location and they have already been offering oil painting and watercolor. Those programs will be moved from the existing building into the new program space. Ms. Bell explained that the Patterson's have ripped out the dark carpeting that was in place and put in tile along with painting the walls a light beige to brighten up the space. Ideally this new space will allow for an additional fifty to sixty people, adding that from September of 2011 through the beginning of 2012 the West Geauga Senior Center was running about one hundred people less than the main senior center in Chardon.*

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*Commissioner Samide added that the center will be doing crafts and exercising along with the other programs. Ms. Bell stated that they will be doing all of that and more, adding that the department is participating in the Healthy Seniors, Healthy County program and that the West Geauga Senior Center partnered with University Hospitals to do baseline testing in January so the seniors would know their levels at the beginning of the year, University Hospitals will come back in the beginning of April to do follow up testing to see how the levels have changed. Ms. Bell explained that they are partnering with One Wellness to offer tennis lessons, Zumba classes and a trainer for walking. One Wellness is located nine miles from the West Geauga Senior Center. Mr. Young inquired about the use of Orchard Hills Park for walking. Ms. Bell stated that they do currently have a great walking program that uses the trails. Ms. Bell credited her senior center coordinators for listening to what the seniors want for programming and doing their best to make it happen for them.*

*Ms. Bell expressed excitement in telling the Board about the first ever senior citizens 5K run/walk on Friday, June 22, 2012 at the West Geauga Senior Center called Shake, Rattle and Run! This will be a timed race, as a company has donated the use of the timer. This event is being co-hosted with University Hospitals with different categories including an intergenerational team. Ms. Bell stated that they are challenging the safety forces in the county to get a team together. The cost is \$10.00 and t-shirts and lunches will be provided.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute the Sub-Lease Agreement between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and Orchard Hills Center, LLC for space for the West Geauga Senior Center to be located within the area forming the West Geauga School district for program space for the period February 1, 2012 through January 31, 2014, in the amount of \$2,300.00 per month, plus utilities.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**APPROVE FINANCIALS**

*Budget Administrator Heidi Delaney explained the financials for today as an Appropriation transfer to return appropriations to the Sheriff's Office for web check payments deposited into the General Fund; Cash transfers out of the General Fund for a portion of 2012 funding for CASA, the County Home, and the Engineer's Office; Travel requests for the Building Department, Common Pleas Court, Engineer's Office, Department of Job and Family Services, Juvenile Court, Recorder's Office, Transit Department and Water Resources; and a payment to Lesko Associates for the final payment for architectural design services for the Board of Developmental Disabilities transportation facility in the amount of \$13,370.44.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution #12-029 itemizing the financials for the meeting of February 23, 2012.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**DEPARTMENT ON AGING – HIRE MARGARET ANNE DUNCAN – ADULT DAY CARE AIDE (#1008)**

*Ms. Bell stated that they had several candidates apply for the position of Adult Day Care Aide for up to twenty hours a week. Ms. Bell explained that they wanted to make sure they have enough staff to meet the state requirement of one staff member for every six clients with Alzheimers or dementia. Ms. Duncan comes with a background in arts and crafts which was an area that was weak. Ms. Bell was excited to recommend Ms. Duncan for that position.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve hiring Margaret Anne Duncan for the position of Adult Day Care Aide (#1008) to be effective February 27, 2012 for up to twenty-five (25) hours per week at a rate of \$8.60 per hour. After the successful completion of a 180 day probationary period the rate will increase to \$9.06 per hour.*

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<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>

*DEPARTMENT ON AGING – ACCEPT RESIGNATION – JOSEPH R. TOMSICK – SENIOR CENTER SUPERVISOR (#1003)*

*Ms. Bell with regret asked the Board to accept the resignation of Joey Tomsick. Ms. Bell stated that Mr. Tomsick had been at the Department on Aging for eight years and was hired to run one of the senior centers. During his course of eight years, his leadership moved him to become a Senior Center Supervisor. Mr. Tomsick is confident, knowledgeable, very good with people and seniors and is a great leader. Ms. Bell stated that Mr. Tomsick will be the new Lake County Council on Aging Executive Director, adding that it will be a blessing for Lake County's senior Citizens. Ms. Bell stated that she has always told everyone that she has hired that all she really cares about is that you know what you're doing when you leave, that it will enrich the lives of senior citizens everywhere.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to accept the resignation of Joseph R. Tomsick, Senior Center Supervisor (#1003) to be effective March 9, 2012.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>

*DEPARTMENT ON AGING – ADVERTISE – SENIOR CENTER SUPERVISOR (#1003)*

*Ms. Bell explained that she has two job openings, and one is the senior center supervisor that coordinates what is done with the seniors in home programs and the programs done in the senior centers, acting as keeper of the calendar, and handling publicity and oversight of all of the center coordinators.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to grant permission to advertise for the position of Senior Center Supervisor (#1003) accepting applications for the period beginning March 2, 2012 until 4:30 p.m. on March 16, 2012.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>

*DEPARTMENT ON AGING – ADVERTISE – SITE COORDINATOR (#1004)*

*Ms. Bell explained that Mr. Tomsick also ran the Chagrin Falls senior center and that position is now open. This is a critical position, being the most southern center in the county. Due to facility being located at Chagrin Falls Park it allows the center access to a gym. Every service at the other centers are also offered out there. In the summer it can be a challenge working around the other programs offered at the facility itself. Commissioner Jemison asked if Ms. Bell was planning to replace Mr. Tomsick with two people. Ms. Samide added to that question by asking if you can find someone with both qualifications. Ms. Bell stated theoretically if we can find someone who could do both they will offer the higher salary. Mr. Jemison stated otherwise it would be the lower salary. Ms. Bell added that she feels that she may have someone qualified staff members who could move up into that position, which would then allow them to add the supervisor to an existing job, but she wants to be able to see what is available and if they can find the right person.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to grant permission to advertise for the position of Site Coordinator (#1004) accepting applications for the period beginning March 2, 2012 until 4:30 p.m. on March 16, 2012.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>

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OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – REVISED OFFICE OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS RLF GRANT / LOAN REVIEW REPORT FORM – BLUE TRACTOR FOODS, LLC

Director Anita Stocker explained that originally Blue Tractor was approved with the Revolving Loan Fund committee for \$500,000.00, it was taken back to them for approval at \$350,000.00, then the bank letter was received and the numbers reflected \$300,000.00. The bank has since said that it needs to be \$350,000.00 and has sent a new letter showing this correction. Ms. Samide inquired as to which bank was handling it. Ms. Stocker stated that they had spoken with several banks, but Key Bank had the best rate. County Administrator David Lair stated that it went from \$500,000.00 to \$300,000.00 back to \$350,000.00. Ms. Stocker explained that the bank had some numbers confused, there are other government funds in the deal, plus a tax credit. Ms. Stocker stated that they had a ten person conference call yesterday sorting through everything. Ms. Stocker added that she had to go to Columbus on Monday for the tax credit portion and then following that would be the legal documents.

*Motion:* by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Revised Ohio Department of Development Office of Housing and Community Partnerships RLF Grant / Loan Review Report Form for Blue Tractor Foods, LLC for a loan from the Revolving Loan Fund for the purchase of machinery and equipment for their facility located at 530 East Washington Street, South Russell Village for five (5) years at 2.75% in the amount of \$350,000.00.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – HOUSING SEMI-ANNUAL PROGRAM INCOME REPORT

Ms. Stocker stated that this was the Housing Semi-annual report that it was holding at zero with no activity.

*Motion:* by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Housing Semi-Annual Program Income Report for the period June 30, 2011 through December 31, 2011.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – ADVERTISE APPOINTED POSITION – APIARY INSPECTOR

*Motion:* by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to grant permission to advertise for the appointed position of Apiary Inspector. This position will remain open until filled.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>

COMMISSIONERS OFFICE – RESOLUTIONS HONORING LEADERSHIP GEAUGA 2012 EMERALD LEADER AWARD WINNERS – JAMES F. PATTERSON AND TRACY A. JEMISON

Ms. Samide stated that she was honored to present these Resolutions.

*Motion:* by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution #12-030 honoring Leadership Geauga 2012 Emerald Leader Award Winner James F. Patterson.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

*Resolution:* 12-030  
*Date:* February 23, 2012

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**RESOLUTION HONORING LEADERSHIP GEAUGA**  
**2012 EMERALD LEADER AWARD WINNER JAMES F. PATTERSON**

*WHEREAS, each year since 2001, Leadership Geauga County has recognized community leaders who have significantly enhanced the quality of life in Geauga County. The Emerald Leader Award is presented annually to an individual, a business and / or a non-profit agency that exemplifies outstanding leadership by positive contributions through volunteerism, philanthropy, or innovation that impact the quality of life in Geauga County; and*

*WHEREAS, as a fifth generation farmer, James F. Patterson owns the one hundred sixteen (116) acre farm known as Patterson Fruit Farm in Chesterland which includes forty-five acres of apple orchards and eighteen acres of strawberry fields; and*

*WHEREAS, James F. Patterson and his wife Nancy have three children, Susan, David and Bill and belong to the Mayfield United Methodist Church in Chesterland;*

*WHEREAS, James F. Patterson is a 1964 graduate of Ohio State University, and has been actively involved in civic, agricultural and alumni affairs by serving as a Geauga County Commissioner from 1969 to 1982, serving on the Board of Trustees of the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation in 1979 and as the organization's president from 1985 to 1989, as a past president of the Ohio Fruit Growers Society, as a former member and chairman of Farm Credit Bank of Louisville's Board of Trustees, as vice chair of the Ohio Board of Regents; and*

*WHEREAS, James F. Patterson also served on the Board of Trustees for Geauga Regional Hospital and the University Hospital Health System of Cleveland, served on the Ohio State University Board of Trustees from 1994 to 2003, and as chairman of the Board from 2002 to 2003, is a member of Nationwide Insurance Enterprise and the Nationwide Financial Services Board of Directors, along with serving currently as a Park Commissioner for Geauga Park District and as President in 2012; and*

*NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize the dedicated service of James F. Patterson and the honor of being a recipient of the 2012 Leadership Geauga County Emerald Leader Award.*

*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 Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>

*Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute Resolution #12-031 honoring Leadership Geauga 2012 Emerald Leader Award Winner Tracy A. Jemison.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution: 12-031*  
*Date: February 23, 2012*

**RESOLUTION HONORING LEADERSHIP GEAUGA**  
**2012 EMERALD LEADER AWARD WINNER TRACY A. JEMISON**

*WHEREAS, each year since 2001, Leadership Geauga County has recognized community leaders who have significantly enhanced the quality of life in Geauga County. The Emerald Leader Award is presented annually to an individual, a business and / or a non-profit agency that exemplifies outstanding leadership by positive contributions through volunteerism, philanthropy, or innovation that impact the quality of life in Geauga County; and*

*WHEREAS, Tracy A. Jemison began his career with Geauga County as the Maintenance Supervisor before holding the position of Operations Manager and MIS Director for the Automatic Data Processing (ADP) Board, in 1995 he was appointed Geauga County Auditor*

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*and held that position for thirteen (13) years until 2008 when he became elected as a Geauga County Commissioner; and*

*WHEREAS, Tracy A. Jemison got his start in public service at the age of twenty-two when he began serving on the Middlefield Village Council for eight years before going on to serve in 1988 on the Berkshire School Board for four years; and*

*WHEREAS, Tracy A. Jemison is working on achieving his vision for a viable and sustainable community through his involvement and dedication in the community, a graduate of Leadership Geauga and former Board member, member and past president of the Burton Middlefield Rotary, as chair of the United Way Services of Geauga County, founding member of Geauga Growth Partnership, and on the many boards he serves as a Commissioner; and*

*WHEREAS, Tracy A. Jemison lives in Burton with his wife Bonnie, has two sons, Tracy Jemison II and Cameron Simmons and enjoys spending time with his grandchildren; and*

*NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize the dedicated service of Tracy A. Jemison and the honor of being the recipient of the 2012 Leadership Geauga County Emerald Leader Award.*

*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 Jemison</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – RESOLUTION HONORING MUNSON CUB SCOUT PACK #91 – ARROW OF LIGHT AWARD**

*Ms. Samide stated that she was delighted to honor the cub scouts for working hard and achieving this award.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution #12-032 honoring Munson Cub Scout Pack #91 for achieving the Arrow of Light Award.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution: 12-032*

*Date: February 23, 2012*

***A RESOLUTION HONORING CUB SCOUTS PACK 91, MUNSON TOWNSHIP FOR ACHIEVING THE ARROW OF LIGHT AWARD, THE HIGHEST RANK IN CUB SCOUTING***

*WHEREAS, The Arrow of Light is the highest rank in Cub Scouting that could be earned by a Webelos Scout; and*

*WHEREAS, To earn the Arrow of Light Award a Webelos must be active in his den for at least 6 months since completing the fourth grade, and have earned the Webelos badge, show knowledge, earn five activity badges in addition to the three already earned for the Webelos badge and must include Fitness, Citizen, Readyman, Outdoorsman, one from the Mental Skills Group, one from the Technology Group and two others of their choice.*

*WHEREAS, the Webelos, with their den, must also visit one Boy Scout Troop meeting, one Boy Scout-oriented outdoor activity, participate in a Webelos overnight campout or day hike. After completing all five requirements, and after a talk with their Webelos den leader, arrange to visit (with a parent or guardian) a Boy Scout Troop they think they might like to join and have a conference with the Scoutmaster. Finally the Webelos must complete the Honesty Character Connection; and*

*WHEREAS, By the time a Webelos Scout earns the Arrow of Light Award he will have learned many things about a lot of subjects – and a lot about Boy Scouting. He will be ready to join a Boy Scout troop; and*

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*WHEREAS, When a Webelos has completed all of the requirements, he has earned the right to wear the Arrow of Light badge, which will be presented during a ceremony at a Pack meeting; and*

*WHEREAS, The following boys have achieved the Arrow of Light: Matthew Burton, Brian Gigliotti, Jacob Hougan, Andrew Kerr, Alex King, Luke Peric, Jaret Price, Brent Stewart, and Nick Vilardo; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners salutes the above Webelos Cub Scouts for achieving the rank of Arrow of Light;*

*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 Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>

*Ms. Samide stated that the young women in our community work hard to achieve these levels that it's a pleasure to honor them with a resolution.*

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – RESOLUTION HONORING JESSICA REISINGER FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD**

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution #12-033 honoring Jessica Reisinger for achieving the Girl Scouts of America Gold Award.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution: 12-033*

*Date: February 23, 2012*

**RESOLUTION COMMENDING JESSICA REISINGER  
FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUTS OF NORTHEAST OHIO GOLD AWARD**

*WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and*

*WHEREAS, each Girl Scout, in order to achieve the individual Gold Award, must complete all requirements as set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and*

*WHEREAS, Jessica Reisinger is a member of Girl Scout Troop #822, Geauga County, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and*

*WHEREAS, Jessica Reisinger, for her Gold Award, created "Grow Green", an outdoor learning area located behind Bainbridge Christian Preschool. In a wooded area, Jessica created a nature trail, discovery boards, built and put up bird houses, a sensory garden and instructional cards for the teachers to engage the students along the trail; and*

*NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners salute Jessica Reisinger for service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.*

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

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*Roll Call Vote:*        *Commissioner Jemison*        *Aye*  
                                 *Commissioner Young*        *Aye*  
                                 *Commissioner Samide*        *Aye*

*COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – RESOLUTIONS HONORING GIRL SCOUT TROOPS #71396 AND #555 FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT SILVER AWARD*

*Motion:*        *by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution #12-034 honoring Girl Scout Troop #71396 for achieving the Girl Scouts of America Silver Award.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution:*    *12-034*  
*Date:*         *February 23, 2012*

*RESOLUTION COMMENDING GIRL SCOUT CADET TROOP #71396 FOR ACHIEVING THE CADETTE GIRL SCOUTS OF NORTHEAST OHIO SILVER AWARD*

*WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and*

*WHEREAS, each Girl Scout, in order to achieve the Silver Award, must complete all requirements as set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and*

*WHEREAS, the Cadette Scout Silver award was earned by Kenston Middle School Cadette Scout Troop #71396; and*

*WHEREAS, Cadette Scout Troop #71396 fulfilled the requirements by hosting a Leader Appreciation Dinner for the Kenston Girl Scout Service Unit. Cadette Troop #71396 award recipients are Eva Brinkman-Sull, Samantha Fromet, Megan Hiser, Sophie Keszenheimer, Jordan Spehar, Madison Thomas, and Brianna White with Pam Hiser as Leader; and*

*NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners salutes Cadette Scout Troop #71396 for service to their community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.*

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

*Roll Call Vote:*        *Commissioner Jemison*        *Aye*  
                                 *Commissioner Young*        *Aye*  
                                 *Commissioner Samide*        *Aye*

*Motion:*        *by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution #12-035 honoring Girl Scout Troop #555 for achieving the Girl Scouts of America Silver Award.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution:*    *12-035*  
*Date:*         *February 23, 2012*

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**RESOLUTION COMMENDING GIRL SCOUT CADET TROOP #555  
FOR ACHIEVING THE CADETTE GIRL SCOUTS OF NORTHEAST OHIO SILVER AWARD**

*WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and*

*WHEREAS, each Girl Scout, in order to achieve the Silver Award, must complete all requirements as set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and*

*WHEREAS, the Cadette Scout Silver award was earned by Kenston Middle School Cadette Scout Troop #555; and*

*WHEREAS, Cadette Scout Troop #555 fulfilled the requirements with a beautification project in Mapleshade Cemetery in Auburn Township by trimming bushes, hedges, trees, clearing headstones, reviving a garden with the planting of spring bulbs, and making gravestone markers for names that were unreadable. Cadette Troop #555 award recipients are Erin Bennett, Victoria Carson, Victoria Clawson, Allison Frygier, Jordan Henry, Katharine Morey, Cameron Oakes, Hannah Richardson, Abbey Taylor, Marissa Weeks and Joslyn Wrona with Joanne Wrona and Lisa Bennett as Leaders; and*

*NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners salutes Cadette Scout Troop #555 for service to their community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.*

*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 Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – RESOLUTIONS HONORING GIRL SCOUT TROOPS #1119, #1400, #1401, #1438 AND #800 FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT BRONZE AWARD**

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution #12-036 honoring Girl Scout Troop #1119 for achieving the Girl Scouts of America Bronze Award.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

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**RESOLUTION COMMENDING JUNIOR GIRL SCOUT TROOP #1119  
FOR ACHIEVING THE JUNIOR GIRL SCOUTS OF NORTH EAST OHIO BRONZE AWARD**

*WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and*

*WHEREAS, each Girl Scout, in order to achieve the Bronze Award, must complete all requirements as set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and*

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*WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Bronze award was earned by Kenston Junior Girl Scout Troop #1119; and*

*WHEREAS, Junior Girl Scout Troop #1119 after visiting Rescue Village fulfilled the requirements by choosing to help orphaned animals in area by raising money to assist with their needs and to purchase supplies to make fleece blankets that will help keep them warm. Troop #1119 award recipients are Isabella Billock, Ashleigh Burke, Julia Cumley, Reese Fazekas, Jordan Kutash, Ava McFarlane, Amber Nedelka, Marcie Oglesbee, Audrey Oleskiewicz, Julia Piazza, Jessica Schwin, Zoe Spriggs, Aubrey Taylore and Bailey Wood, with Leaders Tracie Piazza and Dana Oleskiewicz; and*

*NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners salutes Junior Girl Scout Troop #1119 for service to their community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.*

*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 Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution #12-037 honoring Girl Scout Troop #1400 for achieving the Girl Scouts of America Bronze Award.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution: 12-037*  
*Date: February 23, 2012*

**RESOLUTION COMMENDING JUNIOR GIRL SCOUT TROOP #1400  
FOR ACHIEVING THE JUNIOR GIRL SCOUTS OF NORTH EAST OHIO BRONZE AWARD**

*WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and*

*WHEREAS, each Girl Scout, in order to achieve the Bronze Award, must complete all requirements as set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and*

*WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Bronze award was earned by Kenston Junior Girl Scout Troop #1119; and*

*WHEREAS, Junior Girl Scout Troop #1400 fulfilled the requirements by helping the Geauga County Dog Warden by collecting supplies, making dog toys and treats, and making a video about the proper treatment of animals and what to do about the mistreatment of an animal. Troop #1400 award recipients are McKenzie Bonnett, Angela Judge, Rachel Judge, Delaney Kramer, Sabrina McEllen, Victoria Hammerle, Rachel Stevens, Alexia Robertson, Tenny Hill, and Emma Doyle, with Leaders Debbie Bonnett and Kathy McEllen; and*

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*NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners salutes Junior Girl Scout Troop #1400 for service to their community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.*

*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 Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution #12-038 honoring Girl Scout Troop #1401 for achieving the Girls Scouts of America Bronze Award.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution: 12-038*  
*Date: February 23, 2012*

**RESOLUTION COMMENDING JUNIOR GIRL SCOUT TROOP #1401  
FOR ACHIEVING THE JUNIOR GIRL SCOUTS OF NORTH EAST OHIO BRONZE AWARD**

*WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and*

*WHEREAS, each Girl Scout, in order to achieve the Bronze Award, must complete all requirements as set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and*

*WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Bronze award was earned by Kenston Junior Girl Scout Troop #1401; and*

*WHEREAS, Junior Girl Scout Troop #1401 fulfilled the requirements by enhancing Centerville Mills Park in Bainbridge by identifying the need for a bench along the lake, obtaining plans and materials and building the bench for visitors to enjoy along the water. Troop #1401 award recipients are Juliana Gebler, Alexa Goble, Kerri Houston, Nicole Lanese, Alexandra Lesner, and Maddie Young, with Leader Mary Kay Gebler; and*

*NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners salutes Junior Girl Scout Troop #1401 for service to their community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.*

*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 Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution #12-039 honoring Girl Scout Troop #1438 for achieving the Girl Scouts of America Bronze Award.*

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**RESOLUTION COMMENDING JUNIOR GIRL SCOUT TROOP #1438  
FOR ACHIEVING THE JUNIOR GIRL SCOUTS OF NORTH EAST OHIO BRONZE AWARD**

*WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and*

*WHEREAS, each Girl Scout, in order to achieve the Bronze Award, must complete all requirements as set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and*

*WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Bronze award was earned by Kenston Junior Girl Scout Troop #1438; and*

*WHEREAS, Junior Girl Scout Troop #1438 fulfilled the requirements by creating a recycling club at Kenston Intermediate School by working with the principal and science lab teacher they established guidelines and had t-shirts made with the slogan, "Trash the Attitude, Recycle!". Troop #1438 award recipients are Shalia Campbell, Irene Czernicki, Jane Edwards, Julia Fugedy, Kelcey Henrikson, Corinne Karbler, Sunde Merrill, April Rose, Haleigh Shafer, Maya Stupica, Jessica Sunderhaft, and Brooke Taylor, with Leaders Eva Edwards, Emily Stupica, and Darleene Fugedy; and*

*NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners salutes Junior Girl Scout Troop #1438 for service to their community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.*

*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 Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution #12-040 honoring Girl Scout Troop #800 for achieving the Girl Scouts of America Bronze Award.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

Resolution: 12-040  
Date: February 23, 2012

**RESOLUTION COMMENDING JUNIOR GIRL SCOUT TROOP #800  
FOR ACHIEVING THE JUNIOR GIRL SCOUTS OF NORTH EAST OHIO BRONZE AWARD**

*WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and*

*WHEREAS, each Girl Scout, in order to achieve the Bronze Award, must complete all requirements as set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and*

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*WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Bronze award was earned by Kenston Junior Girl Scout Troop #800; and*

*WHEREAS, Junior Girl Scout Troop #800 fulfilled the requirements by helping "The Bird Nerds" rescue sanctuary in Canton, Ohio by organizing a local paper drive in which they collected paper to be used for the bird cages, along with collecting supplies and making bird toys from recycled plastic, wooden toys, rope and recycled cardboard. Troop #800 award recipients whom are now Cadette Girl Scouts are Jenna Hamilton, Erin Mast, Kennedy Matty, Makena Maurer, Alexandra Nyerges, Caitlin Pastor, Abigail Rathbun, Breanna Sanshuck, Anna Soryal, Morgan Spehar, and Taylor Vargo, with Leaders Michelle Matty, Caroline Maurer, and Cherie Vargo; and*

*NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners salutes Junior Girl Scout Troop #800 for service to their community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.*

*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 Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – CANCEL SESSION**

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Young to cancel session on Tuesday, March 6, 2012.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</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 February 15, 2012 as required by O.R.C. 955.12.*
- b) Board Minutes for the Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities for January 18, 2012.*
- c) 2011 Annual Summary for the Community Fund Partnership.*

**OTHER**

*The Board reviewed upcoming events.*

**MEETINGS**

*Mon., 2/27 Family First Council, 2:00 p.m. Mental Health Board*

*Tues., 2/28 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

*Thu., 3/1 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

*Mon., 3/5 Board of Revision, 9:00 a.m.*

*Tues. 3/6 **The Regularly scheduled Commissioners' meeting is cancelled.** (pending motion above)*

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- Thu., 3/8 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*
- Thu., 3/8 The Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing at 10:10 a.m. for the proposed Asphalt Resurfacing of Auburn Road (CH 4, Sections K-M) in Newbury and Munson Townships.*
- Thu., 3/8 The Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing at 10:15 a.m. for the proposed Asphalt Resurfacing of Bell Street (CH 10, Sections D & F) in Newbury Township.*
- Thu., 3/8 The Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing at 10:20 a.m. for the proposed Asphalt Resurfacing of Sperry Road (CH 12, Sections B-G) in Newbury, Russell, and Chester Townships.*
- Thu., 3/8 Geauga Tourism will give a presentation update for 2012.*

***BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER JEMISON ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 10:48 A.M.***

*Geauga County Board of Commissioners*

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*Mary E. Samide*

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*William S. Young*

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*Tracy A. Jemison*

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*Christine Blair, Commissioners' Clerk*