

**Commissioners' Journal**  
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*The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on January 24, 2008 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, Craig S. Albert opened the meeting at 10:12 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**APPROVE MINUTES**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of January 17, 2008.*

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

**APPROVE FINANCIALS**

*Budget Officer Heidi Delaney reported the financials as including a Revenue Certification for the Mental Health Board Fund; an appropriation transfer to return appropriations to the Sheriff's Department for pay-ins made to the General Fund; a purchase order for Taylor Chevrolet in the amount of \$51,327.50 for the purchase of three Chevrolet Colorado Trucks for the Department of Water Resources; a voucher payment to New World System in the amount of \$107,900.00 for the software license agreement and four travel requests for various departments.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution 08-008 itemizing the financials for the meeting of January 24, 2008.*

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

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – IMPROVEMENT OF FRANKLIN STREET PUBLIC HEARING**

*Commissioner Albert opened the public objection hearing for Improvement of Franklin Street (CH 35) at 10:15 a.m. by stating the public hearing was properly advertised.*

*Planning Engineer Mike Stone stated that Franklin Street was last improved in 1997. In 1995 a joint meeting of Geauga and Cuyahoga Commissioners was held to prepare for this federal aid project. This is a county line project where part of the project is in Bainbridge Township in Geauga County, Bentleyville Village, the City of Chagrin Falls and City of Solon in Cuyahoga County. The project is for resurfacing and also paving of the berms and is estimated at a cost of \$450,000.00. The Engineer's Office has secured federal aid funding in an amount not to exceed \$360,000.00. The local match for this grant will be paid for out of the Local Road and Bridge Levy fund and funds reimbursed from the Cuyahoga County Engineer (10%) per the agreement. The plans have already been approved by ODOT and NOACA as well but the City of Solon had two concerns. The County Engineer's Office Design Engineer will meet with Solon to discuss these concerns. Their biggest concern is curb reveal and grinding of that area, which is a minor item. There was a brief discussion on sidewalks in the area. Mr. Stone reported they are going to pave a three foot shoulder in the area. Being no further questions or concerns Commissioner Albert closed the public hearing at 10:19 a.m.*

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SHERIFF'S OFFICE – STOP VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT (VAWA) SUBGRANT AGREEMENT

*Motion:* by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Geauga County 2008 Stop Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) subgrant award agreement in the amount of \$67,856.40. This grant will receive \$50,892.30 from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS), \$16,964.10 from the County general fund. This grant (#2007-WF-VA2-8214) is for the period January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008.

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

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – LIBRARY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER CONSTRUCTION NOTES

*Commissioner Samide commented that the Library is making strides on paying down debt. Commissioner Young added that Job and Family Services is paying down debt as well.*

*Motion:* by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to acknowledge receipt of the Fiscal Officer's Certificate in regards to the \$290,000.00 Library Administrative Center Construction Notes, Series 2008.

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

*Motion:* by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute resolution 08-009 providing for the issuance of notes of the County of Geauga, in the aggregate principal amount of \$290,000.00, in anticipation of the issuance of bonds for the purpose of constructing, furnishing and equipping the Geauga County Public Library Administrative Center and Improving and equipping its site.

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Date:* January 24, 2008  
*Resolution:* 08-009

*The Board of County Commissioners of the County of Geauga met on January 24, 2008, commencing at 10:00 o'clock, a.m., in regular session in the Commissioners' Chambers at 470 Center Street, Building No. 4, Chardon, Ohio, with the following members present:*

*Commissioner Samide    Commissioner Young*  
  
*Commissioner Albert*

*The Clerk advised the Board that the notice requirements of Section 121.22 of the Revised Code and the implementing rules adopted by the Board pursuant thereto were complied with for the meeting.*

*Commissioner Samide presented the following preambles and resolution and moved their adoption, which motion was duly seconded by Commissioner Young:*

**RESOLUTION NO. 08-009**

**A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF NOTES OF THE COUNTY OF GEAUGA, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$290,000, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING THE GEAUGA COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER AND IMPROVING AND EQUIPPING ITS SITE.**

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*WHEREAS, upon the request of the Board of Library Trustees of the Geauga County Library District this Board entered into an Agreement with the Trustees in 1998 pursuant to which it agreed to assist the Trustees in the construction, furnishing and equipping the Geauga County Public Library Administrative Center and improving and equipping its site through the issuance of general obligation bonds of the County, including notes issued in anticipation of those bonds; and*

*WHEREAS, the Library Trustees have agreed to pay the principal of and interest on those bonds and notes over a period of time estimated to be up to twenty years with the expressed intention of the parties being that at no time shall the County be required to use its own funds to pay any of that principal or interest; and*

*WHEREAS, in addition to paying that principal and interest the Trustees have agreed to operate, maintain and staff the Administrative Center as part of the Geauga County Public Library; and*

*WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 07-033 adopted February 13, 2007, notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$400,000, dated February 28, 2007, were issued for the purpose hereinafter stated, which notes will mature on February 28, 2008; and*

*WHEREAS, the Library Trustees have provided the interest due on those notes and an additional amount of \$110,000 and have requested the County to issue new notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$290,000 to provide the remaining funds necessary to retire the principal of the outstanding notes at maturity; and*

*WHEREAS, pursuant to that request the County has determined to issue new notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$290,000; and*

*WHEREAS, this Board has requested that the County Auditor, as fiscal officer of the County, certify to this Board the maximum maturity of the bonds hereinafter referenced, and any notes which may be issued in anticipation of those bonds, and the County Auditor has certified the maximum maturity of those bonds is at least nineteen years, and that the maximum maturity of the notes to be issued in anticipation of those bonds is March 12, 2018;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Geauga, State of Ohio, that:*

*Section 1. It is necessary to issue bonds of this County in the aggregate principal amount of \$290,000 for the purpose of constructing, furnishing and equipping the Geauga County Public Library Administrative Center and improving and equipping its site (the Bonds).*

*Section 2. The Bonds shall be dated approximately February 28, 2009, shall bear interest at the now estimated rate of 5-1/4% per annum, payable semi-annually until the principal amount is paid, and are estimated to mature in nineteen annual principal installments that are substantially equal.*

*Section 3. It is necessary to issue and this Board determines that notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$290,000 (the Notes) shall be issued in anticipation of the issuance of the Bonds and to retire a portion of the principal of the outstanding notes referred to in the preambles hereto. The Notes shall be designated "Library Administrative Center Construction Notes, Series 2008"; shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed 5.5% per annum to be determined by the County Auditor in his certificate awarding the Notes and authorized in Section 6 hereof (the Certificate of Award) (computed on a 360-day per year basis), payable at maturity, and until payment is provided for. The Notes shall be dated the date of issuance and shall mature one year from the date of issuance, provided that the Auditor may, if it is determined to be necessary or advisable to the sale of the Notes, establish a maturity date that is up to 30 days less than one year from the date of issuance by setting forth that maturity date in the Certificate of Award.*

*Section 4. The debt charges on the Notes shall be payable in Federal Reserve funds of the United States of America, without deduction for services of the County's paying agent, at the main office of The Huntington National Bank, Columbus, Ohio.*

*Section 5. The Notes shall be signed by at least two members of the Board of County Commissioners and by the County Auditor, in the name of the County and in their official capacities, provided that all but one of those signatures may be a facsimile. The Notes shall be issued in the denominations and numbers as requested by the original purchaser and approved by the County Auditor, provided that the entire principal amount may be represented by a single note. The Notes shall not have coupons attached, shall be numbered as determined by the County Auditor and shall express upon their faces the purpose, which may be in summary terms, for which they are issued and that they are issued pursuant to Chapter 133 and Section 307.02 of the Revised Code and this Resolution.*

*Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Resolution, if it is determined by the County Auditor to be advantageous to the County, the Notes may be issued in book entry form for use in a book*

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*entry system and, if and as long as a book entry system is utilized: (i) the Notes may be issued in the form of a single, fully registered typewritten Note and registered in the name of a depository or its nominee, as registered owner, and immobilized in the custody of a depository; (ii) the beneficial owners in book entry form shall have no right to receive Notes in the form of physical securities or certificates; (iii) ownership of beneficial interests in book entry form shall be shown by book entry on the system maintained and operated by the depository and its participants, and transfers of the ownership of beneficial interests shall be made only by book entry by the depository and its participants subject to the terms of this Resolution; and (iv) the Notes as such shall not be transferable or exchangeable, except for transfer to another Depository or to another nominee of a Depository, without further action by the County.*

*Section 6. The Notes shall be and hereby are awarded and sold at not less than par to KeyBanc Capital Markets Inc., Cleveland, Ohio, in accordance with law and the provisions of this Resolution. The County Auditor shall determine the interest rate the Notes shall bear and make all other designations herein authorized, execute the Certificate of Award related thereto, cause the Notes to be prepared, and have the Notes signed and delivered, together with a true transcript of proceedings with reference to the issuance of the Notes if requested by the original purchaser, to the original purchaser upon payment of the purchase price. The County Auditor, the County Treasurer, the County Commissioners, the County Administrator and other County officials, as appropriate, each are authorized and directed to sign any transcript certificates, financial statements, other documents and instruments and to take such actions as are necessary or appropriate to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Resolution. In connection with the issuance of the Notes herein authorized, the legal services of the law firm of Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P. are hereby retained to act as bond counsel to this County.*

*Section 7. The proceeds from the sale of the Notes, except any premium and accrued interest, shall be paid into the proper fund or funds and those proceeds are appropriated and shall be used for the purpose for which the Notes are being issued. Any portion of those proceeds representing premium and accrued interest shall be paid into the Bond Retirement Fund.*

*Section 8. The par value to be received from the sale of the Bonds or of any renewal notes and any excess funds resulting from the issuance of the Notes shall, to the extent necessary, be used to pay the debt charges on the Notes at maturity and are pledged for that purpose.*

*Section 9. During the year or years in which the Notes are outstanding, there shall be levied on all the taxable property in the County, in addition to all other taxes, the same tax that would have been levied if the Bonds had been issued without the prior issuance of the Notes. The tax shall be within the ten-mill limitation imposed by law, shall be and is ordered computed, certified, levied and extended upon the tax duplicate and collected by the same officers, in the same manner, and at the same time that taxes for general purposes for each of those years are certified, levied, extended and collected, and shall be placed before and in preference to all other items and for the full amount thereof; provided, however, that to the extent money is available and appropriated from the payments to be made by the Geauga County Library District under the Agreement described in the preambles hereto, the amount of the tax will be reduced by the money so available and appropriated. The proceeds of the tax levy shall be placed in the Bond Retirement Fund, which is irrevocably pledged for the payment of the debt charges on the Notes or the Bonds when and as the same fall due.*

*Section 10. The County of Geauga covenants that it will use, and will restrict the use and investment of, the proceeds of the Notes in such manner and to such extent as may be necessary so that (a) the Notes will not (i) constitute private activity bonds, arbitrage bonds or hedge bonds under Sections 141, 148 or 149 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code) or (ii) be treated other than as bonds to which Section 103(a) of the Code applies, and (b) the interest on the Notes will not be treated as an item of tax preference under Section 57 of the Code.*

*The County further covenants that (a) it will take or cause to be taken such actions that may be required of it for the interest on the Notes to be and remain excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, and (b) it will not take or authorize to be taken any actions that would adversely affect that exclusion, and (c) it, or persons acting for it, will, among other acts of compliance, (i) apply the proceeds of the Notes to the governmental purpose of the borrowing, (ii) restrict the yield on investment property, (iii) make timely and adequate payments to the federal government, (iv) maintain books and records and make calculations and reports, and (v) refrain from certain uses of those proceeds, and, as applicable, of property financed with such proceeds, all in such manner and to the extent necessary to assure such exclusion of that interest under the Code.*

*The County hereby represents that the outstanding notes referred to in the preambles hereto were treated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" pursuant to Section 265(b)(3) of the Code. The County hereby covenants that it will redeem the Outstanding Notes from proceeds of, and within 90 days after issuance of, the Notes, and represents that all other conditions are met for treating the Notes as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" and as not to be taken into account under subparagraph (D) of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code, without necessity for further designation, by reason of subparagraph*

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*(D)(ii) of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code. Further, the County represents and covenants that, during any time or in any manner as might affect the treatment of the Notes as "qualified tax-exempt obligations", it has not formed or participated in the formation of, or benefited from or availed itself of, any entity in order to avoid the purposes of subparagraph (C) or (D) of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code, and will not form, participate in the formation of, or benefit from or avail itself of, any such entity. The County further represents that the Notes are not being issued as part of a direct or indirect composite issue that combines issues or lots of tax-exempt obligations of different issuers.*

*Each covenant made in this Section with respect to the Notes is also made with respect to all issues any portion of the debt service on which is paid from proceeds of the Notes (and, if different, the original issue and any refunding issues in a series of refundings), to the extent such compliance is necessary to assure exclusion of interest on the Notes from gross income for federal income tax purposes, and the officers identified above are authorized to take actions with respect to those issues as they are authorized in this Section to take with respect to the Notes.*

*The County Auditor, as the fiscal officer, or any other officer of the County having responsibility for issuance of the Notes is hereby authorized (a) to make or effect any election, selection, designation, choice, consent, approval, or waiver on behalf of the County with respect to the Notes as the County is permitted to or required to make or give under the federal income tax laws, for the purpose of assuring, enhancing or protecting favorable tax treatment or status of the Notes or interest thereon or assisting compliance with requirements for that purpose, reducing the burden or expense of such compliance, reducing the rebate amount or payments or penalties, or making payments of special amounts in lieu of making computations to determine, or paying, excess earnings as rebate, or obviating those amounts or payments, as determined by that officer, which action shall be in writing and signed by the officer, (b) to take any and all other actions, make or obtain calculations, make payments, and make or give reports, covenants and certifications of and on behalf of the County, as may be appropriate to assure the exclusion of interest from gross income and the intended tax status of the Notes, and (c) to give one or more appropriate certificates of the County, for inclusion in the transcript of proceedings for the Notes, setting forth the reasonable expectations of the County regarding the amount and use of all the proceeds of the Notes, the facts, circumstances and estimates on which they are based, and other facts and circumstances relevant to the tax treatment of the interest on and the tax status of the Notes.*

*Section 11. The Clerk of this Board is directed to deliver a certified copy of this Resolution to the County Auditor.*

*Section 12. This Board determines that all acts and conditions necessary to be done or performed by the County or to have been met precedent to and in the issuing of the Notes in order to make them legal, valid and binding general obligations of the County of Geauga have been performed and have been met, or will at the time of delivery of the Notes have been performed and have been met, in regular and due form as required by law; that the full faith and credit and general property taxing power (as described in Section 9) of the County are pledged for the timely payment of the debt charges on the Notes; and that no statutory or constitutional limitation of indebtedness or taxation will have been exceeded in the issuance of the Notes.*

*Section 13. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board and of any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.*

*Section 14. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after its adoption.*

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

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO COUNTY SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS PUBLIC HEARING**

*Commissioner Albert opened the public hearing to discuss the Proposed Amendment to the County Subdivisions Regulations at 10:30 a.m. by stating the public hearing was properly advertised.*

*Director Dave Dietrich explained the county approved an amendment to the County Subdivision Regulations concerning riparian setbacks that applied only to plotted subdivisions. These are subdivisions that ordinarily entail a new roadway or roads going in and new lots fronting on the proposed roads. It did not pertain to lot splits or divisions of land on existing roads. It had limited applicability. It was adopted for protection of public health, safety and general welfare. Concerns were focused on design of subdivisions and keeping in mind and to protect against*

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*flooding and water quality issues. Last fall the Planning Commission was sued and the case was settled. The case was not lost as indicated in a newspaper. Mr. Dietrich stated that part of the settlement was to be enjoined from enforcement of Section 502 E and to further remove it from the regulations. However, they are not barred from revising the section concerning riparian setbacks which is the intent of the Planning Commission. Commissioner Samide stated it was a voluntary pull back to review the regulations and to get more in line without stepping on zoning setbacks. Mr. Dietrich stated that the setback term is usually used in regards to zoning, which was the question that needed to be addressed. The objective was for subdivisions and their design and layout. The amendment was not designed to overstep bounds, it will be revised in conjunction with advice from their legal counsel. Bainbridge, Auburn, Thompson have adopted riparian setbacks and Russell is on the verge of adopting riparian setbacks. Mr. Dietrich stated that if the Board had no objections to the amendment that he has a prepared resolution for execution.*

*Being no further questions or concerns Commissioner Albert closed the public hearing was closed at 10:36 a.m.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution 08-010 Adopting an Amendment to the Geauga County Subdivision Regulations.*

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT  
TO THE SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS  
OF GEAUGA COUNTY, OHIO**

*WHEREAS, on the 12<sup>TH</sup> Day of December , 2007 the Board of County Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio received an amendment to the Subdivision Regulations of said county from the County Planning Commission; and*

*WHEREAS, on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2008 the Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing to consider said amendment pursuant to chapter 711 of the Ohio Revised Code; and*

*NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2008 by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Geauga, State of Ohio that an amendment to the Subdivision Regulations of Geauga County, Ohio marked exhibit AA@ and attached hereto and incorporated herein as fully rewritten be and is hereby adopted and approved.*

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

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – NACO ACHEIVEMENT AWARD**

*Commissioner Samide explained that the achievement award is a non-competitive awards program which seeks to recognize innovative county government programs. There are many categories that would make Geauga County eligible. The Planning Commission works very hard and they should receive recognition. If it is perceived that Geauga County is worthy of this award it will be awarded in March in Washington DC. Mr. Dietrich completed the application on behalf of the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Samide felt the amount of the revenue stream that will be generated from the wetland (\$1.678 million) is significant and which could be used for economic development. Mr. Dietrich noted in the application that this revenue enables the Board of Commissioners to permanently protect environmentally sensitive wetlands and rivers, create a new source of revenue that will not raise local taxes and advance farmland preservation and protection. Mr. Dietrich also noted that he is not aware of any other county in the State of Ohio that blends the environment, farm land protection with the advancement of local economic development objectives using the revenue from streamland /wetland mitigation credits.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve, authorize and execute the submission of application for the consideration and nomination in the National Association of Counties (NACo) 2008 Achievement*

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*Award Program of the Wetlands and Stream Mitigation Bank, Geauga County, Ohio and further approve the \$100.00 application fee.*

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

**COURT OF COMMON PLEAS – RELEASE BID / PERFORMANCE BOND**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve releasing the performance bond for the Court Technology System Project as all specifications have been met.*

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

**COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – RELEASE BID / PERFORMANCE BONDS**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve releasing the bid/performance bonds for the following projects as all specifications have been met:*

<i>2 single axle diesel truck, 10-18-06</i>	<i>Philips Road Bridge Reconstruction, 5-9-07</i>
<i>Improvement of Old State Road, A, 3-14-07</i>	<i>Polyester Pavement marking various, 6-6-07</i>
<i>Mentor Road Pavement repair, 3-14-07</i>	<i>Clay Street Improvement, H&amp;I, 6-20-07</i>
<i>Munn Road Resurfacing, 3-14-07</i>	<i>Washington St Improvement, G-J, 6-20-07</i>
<i>Leggett Road Bridge Reconstruction, 3-14-07</i>	<i>Jug Street Improvement, A&amp;B, 6-20-07</i>
<i>Aquilla Road Bridge Replacement, 3-14-07</i>	<i>Rapids Road Improvement, A&amp;B, 6-20-07</i>
<i>Butternut Road Improvement, F, 5-9-07</i>	<i>Sperry Road Bridge Erosion, 6-20-07</i>
<i>Chagrin Road Improvement, A&amp;B, 5-9-07</i>	

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

**DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – APPROVE NEW HIRES**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the following new hire appointments of the Director of Job and Family Services, as Job and Family Services has complied with the Board of Commissioners hiring process:*

*Meredith Myers, Social Services Supervisor, effective October 9, 2007 (replacement)*  
*Charles Swan, Social Service Worker 1, effective November 26, 2007 (replacement)*  
*Patricia Spisak, Eligibility/Referral Specialist 2, effective November 26, 2007*  
*(replacement)*  
*Amanda Bell, Eligibility/Referral Specialist 2, effective December 17, 2007*  
*(replacement)*

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

**DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES – HIRE PART-TIME COMPLIANCE COORDINATOR – KATE RITCHIE**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to hire Kate Ritchie as Part-time Compliance Coordinator (#1710) for the DES/LEPC (Local Emergency Planning Committee) at a rate of \$17.37 per hour, to be effective January 28, 2008, with 10 (ten) hours work per week being paid by the DES (W fund) and 10 (ten) hours work per week being paid by the LEPC (TTK fund) with a probationary period of 120 days. The hours to be worked will be Monday and Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.*

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

**MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT – APPROVE THEN DESIGN ARCHITECTURE DESIGN – PROSECUTOR’S RENOVATION PROJECT 2006**

*Motion:*      *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the Then Design Architecture Design for the Prosecutor’s Renovation Project 2006.*

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

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES - RELEASE BID / PERFORMANCE BONDS**

*Motion:*      *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve releasing the bid/performance bonds for the following projects as all specifications have been met:*

*Parkman Sewer Project- Contract A only, 3-8-06*  
*McFarland Creek WWTP Expansion Project- Contract A,C only, 6-18-04*  
*McFarland Creek WWTP Expansion Project “B”(rebid), 7-14-04*  
*McFarland Creek WWTP Septage Facility Project- Contract A,B,C, 6-30-04*  
*Waste Water Treatment Plant Upgrades East Project, 3-15-06*  
*Chagrin River Road Water Main Project – 9-20-06*

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

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – PROMOTION – JIM IAMS**

*Motion:*      *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the promotion of James Iams to the position of Water / Wastewater Plant Operator I (#2326) at the hourly rate of \$17.64 to be effective January 28, 2008, he will serve a 120 day probationary period.*

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

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – AMEND MOTION**

*Motion:*      *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to amend the following motion of January 17, 2008 to read:*

*“approve and execute a service contract with Delta Instrumentation Incorporated to perform repairs and calibrations to flow meters and electronic equipment as needed for the 2008 Year in an amount not to exceed \$2,000.00.”*

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

**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – RELEASE BID / PERFORMANCE BONDS**

*Motion:*      *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve releasing the performance bonds for the following projects as all specifications have been met:*

*Maple Leaf Residences ADA Bathroom Project, 9-6-06*  
*Aquilla Village Park Project ADA Paving, 7-19-06*  
*Chagrin Falls Park Community Center Storm Sewer Improvement Project 6-26-06*

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

**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – LETTER OF COMMITMENT – BURTON SCOT CONSTRUCTION LLC**

*Motion:*            *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute a Letter of Commitment for Burton Scot Construction, LLC for the purchase of land and building located at 11330 Kinsman Road, Newbury Township by lending \$250,000.00 in County Revolving Loan funds for a period of fifteen years (180 months) at a fixed interest rate of five and one half percent (5.5%), upon the recommendation of the Revolving Loan Fund Committee.*

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

**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – LOAN REVIEW REPORT FORM – BURTON SCOT CONSTRUCTION LLC**

*Motion:*            *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute a Loan Review Report Form in regards to Burton Scot Construction, LLC for the Geauga County Revolving Loan Fund loan in the amount of \$250,000.00.*

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

**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – OHIO HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE REVISED COORDINATION AGREEMENT – HOME FUNDED AND CDBG ACTIVITIES**

*Motion:*            *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the revised (with attachments) Coordination Agreement between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and the Ohio Historic Preservation Office for the Administration of CDBG and Home-funded Activities.*

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

*There was a discussion on the foreclosures to which Director Anita Stocker inquired if the Board wanted to proceed with another foreclosure prevention meeting regarding the Northeast Ohio region. The Board agreed that another meeting should be convened. Ms. Stocker will make the arrangements and inform the Board of the specifics.*

**COUNTY HOME – RECLASSIFY RACHEL DODDS**

*Motion:*            *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to reclassify Rachel Dodds from Substitute Attendant to Full-time Attendant at her current rate of pay, to be effective January 29, 2008. Ms. Dodds Substitute Attendant probationary period served will count towards the 120 full time probationary period.*

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

**COUNTY HOME – HIRE FULL-TIME ATTENDANT - SHERYL SPENSER**

*Motion:*            *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to hire Sheryl Spenser as a Fulltime Attendant (#1504) in the County Home effective February*

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*18, 2008 at her current rate of pay, after the successful completion of a 120-day probationary period.*

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

COUNTY HOME – INTERNAL POSTING – FULL-TIME COOK

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to grant permission to post internally for the position of Full-time Cook (#1503) for January 25, 2008.*

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

OTHER

*County Recorder Glenn Quigley reported that the few lost pages that he informed the Board about a few weeks back have been recovered and have since been recorded and all is well.*

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a. The 2008 Annual Inventory of all materials, machinery, tools and other county supplies pursuant to ORC 305.18 for the following: Building Department, Clerk of Courts, Commissioners Office, Coroner's Office, Dog Warden, Engineer's Office, Job and Family Services, Planning Commission, Probate / Juvenile Court, Youth Center, Prosecutor's Office, Recorder's Office, and Water Resources.*
- 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 December 2007.*
- c. The monthly financial report from the County Building Department for the month of December 2007.*
- d. A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the week ending January 16, 2008 as required by O.R.C. 955.12.*

MEETINGS

- Thu., 1/24 The Commissioners' will hold a public objection hearing for Improvement of Franklin Street CH 35 at 10:15 a.m.*
- Thu., 1/24 The Commissioners' will hold a public hearing to discuss the Proposed Amendment to the County Subdivisions Regulations at 10:30 a.m.*
- Tue., 1/29 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*
- Thu., 1/31 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

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***BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER ALBERT ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 11:40 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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*Craig S. Albert*

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*Claudine Kozenko, Commissioners' Clerk*