

**Commissioners' Journal**  
**January 7, 2008**

*The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on January 7, 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, Mary E. Samide opened the ~~re-organization~~ meeting at 10:02 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.*

*Commissioner Young was absent from session.*

**APPROVE MINUTES**

*Motion: by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of January 3, 2008.*

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

**SHERIFF'S OFFICE – RUSSELL AND HUNTSBURG TOWER SITES – BID AWARD AND EXECUTE CONTRACT**

*800 Systems Coordinator Eric Bartholomew explained that the \$473,000.00 is for the towers and building; this bid opening did not include the proprietary items such as the Motorola equipment.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to award the bid to Jeffrey Carr Construction for the Construction of the Russell and Huntsburg Tower Sites Project in the amount of \$473,000.00, as they represented the lowest and best bid.*

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

*Motion: by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to execute a contract with Jeffrey Carr Construction for the Construction of the Russell and Huntsburg Tower Sites Project in the amount of \$473,000.00.*

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

**APPROVE FINANCIALS**

*Budget Officer Heidi Delaney reported the financials including a Revenue Certification for the US Marshall Fund; an appropriation transfer to return appropriations to the Sheriff's Department for a pay-in made to the General Fund; cash transfers for January medical, dental and life insurance payments; a contract for Jeffrey Carr Construction in the amount of \$473,000.00 for tower construction; three payments for the courthouse renovation project totaling \$10,603.88 and four travel requests for various departments.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute resolution 08-003 itemizing the financials for the meeting of January 7, 2008.*

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

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SHERIFF'S OFFICE – DRIVEWAY EASEMENT AND AGREEMENT – RUSSELL TOWNSHIP  
TOWER SITE

*Motion:* by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute the Driveway Easement and Agreement between the Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company and the Geauga County Board of Commissioners for the Vitous property (part of parcel #26-198100) for the construction, operation, maintenance and removal of a 280 foot self supporting communication tower including appurtenances, lines and equipment in Russell Township in the amount of \$1.00.

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

AUDITOR'S OFFICE – BID OPENING – CONVENTIONAL / OBLIQUE AERIAL  
PHOTOGRAPHY

*Deputy Auditor / GIS Director Lou Marion reported the bidding for this photography system is usually done every two years and there has only been one bidder for this project in the past.*

*Motion:* by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to grant permission to advertise for bids for Conventional / Oblique Aerial Photography and Image Catalogue Information System with a bid to be held on January 23, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. Notice of this bid opening will be advertised January 8 and January 15, 2008 and the county website.

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

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – COORDINATION  
AGREEMENT – OHIO HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE

*Motion:* by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute the Coordination Agreement between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and the Ohio Historic Preservation Office for the Administration of CDBG and Home-funded Activities.

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

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – FORCE ACCOUNT RESOLUTION

*Motion:* by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute Resolution 08-005 authorizing the County Engineer to undertake projects using Force Account in certain cases for the year 2008.

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution:* 08-005  
*Date:* January 7, 2008

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ENGINEER TO UNDERTAKE PROJECTS  
USING FORCE ACCOUNT IN CERTAIN CASES FOR YEAR 2008**

*WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Geauga County desires to allow the Geauga County Engineer to improve, repair and maintain county highways and improve, repair and reconstruct county bridge projects in the most efficient and cost effective manner; and,*

*WHEREAS, the county engineer may, when authorized by the board of county commissioners and not required by law to use competitive bidding, employ such laborers and vehicles, use such county employees and property, lease such implements and tools, and purchase such materials*

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*as are necessary in the construction, reconstruction, improvement, maintenance, or repair of roads by force account; and,*

*WHEREAS, the county engineer may, when authorized by the board of county commissioners and not required by law to use competitive bidding, employ such laborers and vehicles, use such county employees and property, lease such implements and tools, and purchase such materials as are necessary in the construction, reconstruction, improvement, maintenance, or repair of bridges and culverts by force account.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County does hereby authorize the Geauga County Engineer to proceed with the construction or reconstruction, including widening and resurfacing, of roads by force account. In determining whether he may undertake road construction work by force account, when not required by section 5543.19 or other law to use competitive bidding, the Geauga County Engineer shall first cause to be made an estimate of the cost of such work using the force account project assessment form developed by the auditor of state under section 117.16 of the Revised Code. When the total estimated cost of the work exceeds thirty thousand dollars per mile, the county commissioners shall invite and receive competitive bids for furnishing all the labor, materials, and equipment necessary to complete the work in accordance with sections 307.86 to 307.92 of the Revised Code.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County does hereby authorize the Geauga County Engineer to proceed with the construction, reconstruction, improvement, maintenance, or repair of bridges or culverts by force account. In determining whether he may undertake bridge work by force account when not required by section 5543.19 or other law to use competitive bidding, the Geauga County Engineer shall first cause to be made an estimate of the cost of such work using the force account project assessment form. When the total estimated cost of the work exceeds one hundred thousand dollars, the board of county commissioners shall invite and receive competitive bids for furnishing all the labor, materials, and equipment necessary to complete the work, in accordance with sections 307.86 to 307.92 of the Revised Code. The County Engineer shall obtain the approval required by section 5543.02 of the Revised Code.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of Geauga County is hereby instructed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Geauga County Engineer.*

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

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – REORGANIZATION SESSION AND CANCEL SESSION**

*Motion: by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to acknowledge the re-organization meeting for Monday, January 14, 2007 at 10:00 a.m.*

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

*Motion: by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to cancel session for January 15, 2008.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Albert</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Absent</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 January 2, 2008 as required by O.R.C. 955.12.*

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MEETINGS

- Tue., 1/8      **The Regularly scheduled Commissioners' meeting is cancelled.***
- Thu., 1/10    **The Regularly scheduled Commissioners' meeting is cancelled.***
- Fri., 1/11    *The Commissioners will attend the NOACA meeting in Cleveland.**
- Mon., 1/14    *The Commissioners will hold their re-organizational meeting at 10:00 a.m.**
- Tue., 1/15    **The Regularly scheduled Commissioners' meeting is cancelled.***
- Thu., 1/17    *The Commissioners will hold regular session.**
- Mon., 1/21    *County offices will be closed for general business in honor of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. Twenty-four hour operations will continue to operate as usual.**
- Tue., 1/22    **The Regularly scheduled Commissioners' meeting is cancelled.***
- Thu., 1/24    *The Commissioners will hold regular session.**
- 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.**

**BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER SAMIDE ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 10:37 A.M.**

*Geauga County Board of Commissioners*

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*Craig S. Albert*

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*William S. Young*

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*Mary E. Samide*

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*Claudine Kozenko, Commissioners' Clerk*