

**Commissioners' Journal**  
**September 9, 2008**

*The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on September 9, 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 10:07 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 September 4, 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 Diane Arp reported the financials as including supplementals getting the appropriations in place for the Courthouse donation fund; cash transfers include the monthly interest to Revolving Loan; and a purchase order to pass the grant funds through for the Geauga County Veterans Memorial; and two travel requests. Commissioner Young inquired about the \$25,000.00 item to which Ms. Arp responded that it was the funds that Senator Grendell helped to get and is being passed through. Commissioner Young discussed the possibility of moving the fire hydrant that is in front of the Veterans Memorial as it is distracting and it would be a nice thing to do. Commissioner Young stated there is a cost to moving the hydrant. Commissioner Young added that he had asked Paul Newman to take a picture of the memorial to show the rest of the Board for an understanding of the need to pay to have the hydrant moved.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution 08-123 itemizing the financials for the meeting of September 4, 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**

*Commissioner Young commented that Commissioners' Clerk Claudine Kozenko did a really nice job on creating the resolution recognizing Bill O'Donnell that Commissioner Young presented this morning. Mr. O'Donnell also got a letter from the President of the United States and the Governor of Ohio. Mr. O'Donnell's family and grandchildren were at the presentation.*

**COUNTY TREASURER & COUNTY AUDITOR -MONTHLY STATEMENT OF COUNTY FINANCES**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to accept, execute and file the monthly Statement of County Finances filed by the County Treasurer for the month of August, 2008 pursuant to O.R.C. 319.15.*

<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 accept, execute and file the monthly Statement of County Finances filed by the County Auditor for the month of August, 2008 pursuant to O.R.C. 319.15.*

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

**COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – NOTTINGHAM WOODS SUBDIVISION – MUNSON TOWNSHIP**

*Motion:* by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to accept Sutton Place (TR 1056) in the Nottingham Woods Subdivision for total maintenance by Munson Township and release the maintenance guaranty in the amount of \$60,000.00 plus interest and release the paving guaranty in the amount of \$85,000.00 plus interest being held by the Board at Huntington Bank (formerly known as Sky Bank).

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

**COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – RESOLUTION TO IMPROVE NAUVOO ROAD – MIDDLEFIELD TOWNSHIP**

*Motion:* by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution 08-131 to Improve Nauvoo Road (CH 41, Section A) in Middlefield Township.

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Date:* September 9, 2008  
*Resolution:* 08-131

**RESOLUTION TO IMPROVE SECTION A OF NAUVOO ROAD (CH 41)  
IN MIDDLEFIELD TOWNSHIP**

*WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Geauga County has determined the public convenience and welfare requires the improvement of Section A of Nauvoo Road (CH 41) from Old State Road (SR 608) to Madison Road (SR 528) in Middlefield Township in accordance with Section 5555.022 of the Ohio Revised Code; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County that the public convenience and welfare requires the improvement of Section A of Nauvoo Road (CH 41) from Old State Road (SR 608) to Madison Road (SR 528) in the Township of Middlefield, County of Geauga and State of Ohio by constructing and reconstructing culverts, cement stabilizing, asphalt repaving and improving the shoulders as necessary; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Geauga County Engineer is hereby directed to complete necessary surveys, plans, profiles, cross sections, estimates of cost and specifications as are required for the improvement and to transmit copies of the same to this board at the time such plans are completed; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that real estate will not be assessed to cover the damages, costs and expenses of constructing this improvement and that the compensation, damages, costs and expenses of constructing said improvement shall be appointed as follows:*

*The engineering and right of way costs shall be paid from local roadway improvement funding sources. The construction costs shall be paid from local roadway improvement funds and any federal aid or state grants which may be secured for the project.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if preliminary designs show that the project cannot be built within the current right of way of Nauvoo Road, pursuant to Section 5555.09 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Geauga County Engineer is granted permission to negotiate with owners to secure the lands, right-of-way, easements or work agreements required for the improvement; and.*

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*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk is hereby directed, upon the filing of the plans, specifications, estimates, etc., for the improvement by the County Engineer, to schedule a time at a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the Board to review the copies of the surveys, plans, profiles, cross sections, estimates and specifications for the improvement; and*

*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 Board of Trustees of Middlefield Township and the Geauga County Engineer.*

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

**COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – RESOLUTION TO RECONSTRUCT CHARDON WINDSOR ROAD BRIDGE – HUNTSBURG TOWNSHIP**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution 08-132 to Reconstruct the Chardon Windsor Road Bridge (Structure #13-5.43) in Huntsburg Township.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Date: September 9, 2008*  
*Resolution: 08-132*

**RESOLUTION TO RECONSTRUCT THE CHARDON WINDSOR ROAD BRIDGE,  
STRUCTURE #13-5.43 IN HUNTSBURG TOWNSHIP**

*WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Geauga County has determined that the public convenience and welfare require the reconstruction of the bridge over the East Branch of the Cuyahoga River, and the grading, paving, widening, and draining of a portion of Chardon Windsor Road in the immediate vicinity of the bridge in accordance with Section 5555.022 of the Ohio Revised Code; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County that the public convenience and welfare require the replacement and reconstruction of the Chardon Windsor Road Bridge, Structure #13-5.43 in the Township of Huntsburg, County of Geauga by the removal of the existing bridge structure, installation of a new bridge structure at mile marker 5.43, and the grading, paving, widening, and draining of Chardon Windsor Road in the immediate vicinity of the bridge as required; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Geauga County Engineer is hereby directed to complete necessary surveys, plans, profiles, cross sections, estimates of cost and specifications as are required for the improvement and to transmit copies of the same to this board at the time such plans are completed; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that real estate will not be assessed to cover the damages, costs and expenses of constructing this improvement and that the compensation, damages, costs and expenses of constructing said improvement shall be apportioned as follows:*

*The engineering, right of way, construction and inspection costs shall be paid from local roadway improvement funding sources. The construction costs shall be paid from local roadway improvement funds and any federal aid or state grants which may be secured for the project.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if preliminary designs for the project show the project cannot be built within the current right of way of Chardon Windsor Road, pursuant to Section 5555.09 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Geauga County Engineer is granted permission to negotiate with owners to secure the lands, right-of-way, easements or work agreements required for the improvement; and*

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*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of Geauga County is hereby directed, upon the filing of the plans, specifications, estimates, etc., for the improvement by the County Engineer, to schedule a time at a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the Board to review the copies of the surveys, plans, profiles, cross sections, estimates and specifications for the improvement with the Geauga County Engineer; and*

*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 Huntsburg Township Trustees and the Geauga County Engineer.*

<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 – RESOLUTION TO IMPROVE THOMPSON ROAD – THOMPSON TOWNSHIP**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution 08-133 to Improve Thompson Road (CH 7, Sections A-E) in Thompson Township.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Date: September 9, 2008*  
*Resolution: 08-133*

**RESOLUTION TO IMPROVE SECTIONS A-E OF THOMPSON ROAD (CH 7)  
IN THOMPSON TOWNSHIP**

*WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Geauga County has determined the public convenience and welfare requires the improvement of Sections A-E of Thompson Road (CH 7) from the Lake/Gauga county line to Madison Road (SR 528) in Thompson Township in accordance with Section 5555.022 of the Ohio Revised Code; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County that the public convenience and welfare requires the improvement of Sections A-E of Thompson Road (CH 7) from the Lake/Gauga county line to Madison Road (SR 528) in the Township of Thompson, County of Geauga and State of Ohio by constructing and reconstructing culverts, asphalt repairs, asphalt resurfacing and improving the shoulders as necessary; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Geauga County Engineer is hereby directed to complete necessary surveys, plans, profiles, cross sections, estimates of cost and specifications as are required for the improvement and to transmit copies of the same to this board at the time such plans are completed; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that real estate will not be assessed to cover the damages, costs and expenses of constructing this improvement and that the compensation, damages, costs and expenses of constructing said improvement shall be appointed as follows:*

*The engineering and right of way costs shall be paid from local roadway improvement funding sources. The construction costs shall be paid from local roadway improvement funds and any federal aid or state grants which may be secured for the project.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if preliminary designs show that the project cannot be built within the current right of way of Thompson Road, pursuant to Section 5555.09 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Geauga County Engineer is granted permission to negotiate with owners to secure the lands, right-of-way, easements or work agreements required for the improvement; and*

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*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk is hereby directed, upon the filing of the plans, specifications, estimates, etc., for the improvement by the County Engineer, to schedule a time at a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the Board to review the copies of the surveys, plans, profiles, cross sections, estimates and specifications for the improvement; and*

*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 Board of Trustees of Thompson Township and the Geauga County Engineer.*

<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 WATER RESOURCES – RESCIND MOTION – TO HIRE NATHAN COEY**  
*Sanitary Engineer Doug Bowen reported that Nathan Coey had taken another job.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to rescind the following motion of August 28, 2008 and further acknowledge that the position will remain open until the vacancy is filled:*

*“to approve hiring Nathan Coey to the position of Full-time Supervisor, McFarland (#2301) for the McFarland Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant facility at a full, non-probationary rate of \$24.11 per hour to be effective September 22, 2008. Mr. Coey will complete a 120 day probationary period during which time he is required, as a condition of hire, to obtain a CDL license.”*

<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 WATER RESOURCES – JACK GIBSON CONSTRUCTION CHANGE ORDER – SHERMAN HILLS WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT**

*Mr. Bowen stated there were some driveway changes that reduced the cost a little.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Change Order #3 decreasing the contract with Jack Gibson Construction Company (Contract A) for various additions and deductions for modifications for the Sherman Hills Wastewater Treatment Plant Conversion Project in the amount of \$5,652.00.*

<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 WATER RESOURCES – PURCHASE OF PROPERTY DOCUMENTS – PARKMAN SEWER PROJECT**

*Mr. Bowen reported that this is not the final purchase agreement and they are not committed at this point.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute the following documents for the purchase of property located at 16125 Main Market Road, Parkman, Parcel No. 25-188961, pertaining to the Parkman Sewer Project (P9806): The Consumer Guide to Agency Relationships, Agency Disclosure Statement, State of Ohio Department of Commerce Residential Property Disclosure Form, and a Purchase and Sale Agreement between the County of Geauga, Ohio and Ron and Cheryl DeBacco, in the amount of \$98,000.00.*

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

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – CHAGRIN ROAD WATERLINE – CANYON LAKES COLONY DEVELOPMENT**

*Mr. Bowen stated that this is a required waterline to the next phase of Canyon Lakes to make sure they have enough pressure for fire protection. Commissioner Albert asked why water lines are bigger than sewer lines to which Mr. Bowen responded that it is probably for fire protection.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute the improvement plans for the proposed Chagrin Road 12" waterline to be constructed by Canyon Lakes Colony Company, as part of their overall Canyon Lakes Colony development.*

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

**COUNTY HOME – RECLASSIFICATION TO SEASONAL HELP – MICAH KLEIN**

*Ms. Decola stated that Mr. Klein was less interested in doing maintenance work but did like working with the residents at the county home. Ms. Decola added that Mr. Klein may enroll at Auburn Career for further education.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the reclassification of Micah Klein to the position of Seasonal Help for the period October 1, 2008 through April 30, 2009 at the hourly rate of \$8.50 (second year rate) per hour (maximum of 520 hours to be worked).*

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

**COUNTY HOME – RECLASSIFICATION TO FULL-TIME COOK – KELLY NEVISON**

*Ms. Decola explained that Ms. Nevison was an attendant.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the reclassification of Kelly Nevison to the position of Full-time Cook (#1503) to be effective September 9, 2008. Ms. Nevison will serve a 700 hour probationary period. This will close the internal posting for this position.*

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

**COUNTY HOME – INCREASE CURRENT POSTING**

*The request to increase posting for Full-time Attendant was pulled from session as Superintendent Karen DeCola decided to hire several part-time attendant instead. Using part-timers who do not get benefits and can be used to work two or three days and can fill in for any call-offs.*

**COUNTY HOME – ACCEPT RESIGNATION – SHERRY DOBBS**

*Commissioner Albert questioned why people quit. Ms. Decola stated that workers leave for higher pay as most other agencies pay \$10.00 an hour and the county home pays \$8.35 to start.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to accept the resignation of Sherry Dobbs, Substitute Attendant, to be effective September 14, 2008.*

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<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 – HIRE SUBSTITUTE ATTENDANT – GWENDOLYN TONEY**

*Motion:*        *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to hire Gwendolyn Toney for the position of Substitute Attendant (#1504-2) in the County Home effective September 16, 2008 at a rate of \$8.35 per hour. After the successful completion of a 120-day probationary period (or 700 hours), the rate will increase to \$8.80 per hour.*

<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>

**LIQUOR LICENSES**

*Motion:*        *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to concur with the Bainbridge Township Trustees in not requesting a hearing on the liquor license requested by South Franklin Circle at 16575 Franklin Street, Bainbridge Township (C NEW 8361425).*

<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 concur with the Auburn Township Trustees in not requesting a hearing on the liquor license requested by Lions Way LLC (d.b.a. Charlies Pub) 10584 Washington Street, Auburn Township (C NEW 5224026).*

<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**

*The Board reviewed calendars and upcoming events. Planning Commission has been cancelled for tonight.*

*The Board briefly discussed attendance of the Board at the Perry drill on the 17<sup>th</sup> of this month. It was decided that there will be a quorum of Commissioners. Training for the new computer system being used at the drills was discussed as well.*

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

- a) The Plan Review for Chardon Township Park – Auburn Road, Submittal #2, in Chardon Township filed by Geauga Soil and Water Conservation District.*
- b) A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the week ending August 27, 2008 as required by O.R.C. 955.12.*
- c) The Monthly Inventory Report, Consolidated Investment Portfolio and Obligations and Securities monthly reports filed by the Treasurer's Office for Geauga County for the Month of August 2008, pursuant to ORC 135.35(L).*
- d) The Geauga County Job and Family Services Business Plan 2009.*
- e) The CEBCO Financial Statements and Supplemental Schedules Report for December 31, 2007 and 2006.*

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**MEETINGS**

*Tue., 9/9 Budget Hearings: 1:00 p.m. County Home  
1:45 p.m. Building Department  
2:30 p.m. Dog Warden*

*Tue., 9/9 Planning Commission*

*Thu., 9/11 Patriot Day Ceremony on the Geauga County Court House at 8:15 a.m.*

*Thu., 9/11 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

*Fri., 9/12 NOACA meeting in Medina County*

*Mon., 9/15 Family First*

*Tue., 9/16 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

*Tue., 9/16 Investment Advisory Committee Meeting*

*Tue., 9/16 Budget Hearings: 1:00 p.m. Department on Aging 1:45 p.m. Water Resources  
2:30 p.m. Maintenance 3:15 p.m. Coroner's Office*

*Wed., 9/17 Perry Nuclear Power Plant Dry-Run Drill*

*Wed., 9/17 Department on Aging's Elected Officials lunch.*

*Thu., 9/18 The Commissioners' will hold the ODOT Operating Grant Application and the  
CY 2009 ODOT Capital Grant Application PUBLIC HEARING at 10:30 a.m.*

*Thu., 9/18 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

***BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER  
ALBERT ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 10:50 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*