

Commissioners' Journal
May 15, 2008

The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on May 15, 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 10:10 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 May 13, 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>

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 April, 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 April, 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>

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – RESOLUTION HONORING R.L. PHILLIPS ACHIEVING HIGHEST QUALITY IN ASPHALT PAVING

County Engineer R. L. Phillips explained that this is a national award that is given annually. Flexible Pavements of Ohio recognizes projects that demonstrate exceptional quality in construction and awards them the quality seal. Mr. Phillips received the award for design, planning and the oversight efforts on the Jug Street Reconstruction Project. The Shelly Company was awarded as well. The Board agreed that the pictures from this project that were presented with the award are impressive. Responding to Commissioner Albert's question regarding cement stabilization, Mr. Phillips stated that cement stabilization is done on subdivision roads and on some of the county's older roads. They are also encouraging townships to do the same on their old roads as it provides longer life to paving projects, although it is an added expense. Responding to Commissioner Young's question regarding the upcoming public hearing, Mr. Phillips stated the public hearing pertains to making drainage districts required in new subdivisions.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute Resolution 08-073 honoring Geauga County Engineer Robert L. Phillips for achieving the highest quality in asphalt paving as exhibited by superior workmanship and riding quality.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

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Date: May 15, 2008
Resolution: 08-073

**RESOLUTION HONORING COUNTY ENGINEER ROBERT L. PHILLIPS
FOR ACHIEVING THE HIGHEST QUALITY IN ASPHALT PAVING
AS EXHIBITED BY SUPERIOR WORKMANSHIP AND RIDING QUALITY**

WHEREAS, Flexible Pavements of Ohio, an association for the development, improvement and advancement of quality asphalt pavement construction recognizes projects that demonstrate exceptional quality in construction and awards them the Quality Seal; and

WHEREAS, one of seven projects in the Local Road or Street category given this award for 2007 was the \$1.65 million Jug Street Reconstruction project, on which a number of advanced paving technologies were employed to produce a high-quality and durable road surface; and

WHEREAS, the outstanding results obtained in this resurfacing project are recognized to be attributable to both the planning and project oversight efforts of the Geauga County Engineer's office and the excellent workmanship of the project paving contractor, The Shelly Company; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners hereby recognizes County Engineer Robert L. Phillips for his efforts in maintaining high standards on the planning and oversight of paving projects for the Jug Street Reconstruction project and other paving projects throughout Geauga County, thus ensuring that taxpayer dollars, further leveraged with state and local highway dollars, result in smooth, long-lasting, and safe paved surfaces; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Resolution become a part of the permanent record for the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, so signified by the vote of the Board on May 15, 2008.

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

**MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT – HANNAH, ZABRISKIE AND DARON INCORPORATED
CONTRACT – PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE RENOVATION REBID PROJECT**

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute a contract with Hannah, Zabriskie & Daron Incorporated for the Geauga County Prosecutor's Office Renovation Re-bid Project for the combined bid (General Trades – Contract A; Plumbing and Fire Protection – Contract B; Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning – Contract C; and Electrical Trades – Contract D), in the amount of \$594,113.00.

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

**MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT – HANNAH, ZABRISKIE AND DARON INCORPORATED
NOTICE TO PROCEED – PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE RENOVATION REBID PROJECT**

Director Glen Vernick reported the contractor has until October 15th to complete this project but the contractors are pushing to have it done in 90 days.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute a Notice to Proceed to Hannah, Zabriskie & Daron Inc. for the Geauga County Prosecutor's Office Renovation Re-bid Project for the combined bid (General Trades – Contract A; Plumbing and Fire Protection – Contract B; Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning – Contract C; and Electrical Trades – Contract D).

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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>

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – BID AWARD – PUBLIC REHABILITATION OF TWO LIBRARY ENTRANCES – PETERSEN CONSTRUCTION AND CONTRACTING

Program Coordinator Rhea Dykes explained this project is Formula grant funding.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Samide to award the bid to Petersen Construction and Contracting for the Public Rehabilitation of two (2) Library Entrances – Geauga West Library and Bainbridge Library Project (under grant #B-F-07-026-01), and to further authorize the President of the Board to execute the Bid Award form, in the amount of \$12,664.50, as they represented the lowest and best bid.

<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>

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – NOTICE TO PROCEED - PUBLIC REHABILITATION OF TWO LIBRARY ENTRANCES – PETERSEN CONSTRUCTION AND CONTRACTING

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Notice to Proceed to Petersen Construction and Contracting for the Public Rehabilitation of two (2) Library Entrances – Geauga West Library and Bainbridge Library Project (under grant #B-F-07-026-01).

<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>

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – THREE PARTY CONTRACT – PUBLIC REHABILITATION OF TWO LIBRARY ENTRANCES – PETERSEN CONSTRUCTION AND CONTRACTING

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute a Three-Party Contract with Geauga County Board of Commissioners, Geauga County Public Library and to Petersen Construction and Contracting for the Public Rehabilitation of two (2) Library Entrances – Geauga West Library and Bainbridge Library Project (under grant #B-F-07-026-01), in the amount of \$12,664.50.

<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>

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

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Samide 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 four and one half percent (4.5%), upon the recommendation of the Revolving Loan Fund Committee. This Letter of Commitment replaces the one executed January 17, 2008 as the interest rate has decreased.

<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>

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COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – SECOND AMMENDMENT TO OIL AND GAS LEASES – CUTTER EXPLORATION

County Administrator Dave Lair reported they are about to start drilling on Water Resources property. Commissioner Young inquired if there was any discussion as to having a geologist on site to which Mr. Lair responded that yes there was. Commissioner Albert inquired as to the small amount of money received for the current drilling. Mr. Lair responded that Cutter Exploration reported the production is still not really ramped up and that Cutter Exploration maintains that the county can expect \$100.00 to \$200.00 per month per acre.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute the Second Amendment to the Oil and Gas Leases between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and Cutter Exploration Incorporated in which additional indemnification insurance and assignment provisions were added to protect the interests of the County and the Cleveland Foundation, in regards to parcel #11-389229, 11-714404, 11-714406, 11-711500, 11-711600 and 11-711800 in Chesterland, Ohio.

<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 – RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY AS MENTAL HEALTH MONTH

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute Resolution 08-074 Proclaiming the month of May as Mental Health Month for Geauga County.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date: May 15, 2008
Resolution: 08-074

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF MAY AS
MENTAL HEALTH MONTH FOR GEAUGA COUNTY**

WHEREAS, this May marks the end of the year-long 40th anniversary celebration of the creation of the Geauga County Board of Mental Health and Recovery Services; and

WHEREAS, for the past 40 years, Geauga County residents have served this community as volunteers on the Board of Directors of the Geauga County Board of Mental Health and Recovery Services and its contract agencies, providing education, treatment, and recovery to tens of thousands of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, during this past year current Board members like Louise Stienbarger and Georgeanne Mitchell have distinguished themselves with awards and recognition from state and local authorities for their dedication to public service and advocacy of behalf of disabled individuals; and

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Mental Health and Recovery Services and its contract agencies, have continued their history of excellence this past year, being recognized for their achievements in the field of mental health and substance abuse treatment and prevention which included:

The 3 year, "Ohio Culture of Quality State Certification" of the Geauga County Board of Mental Health & Recovery Services – one of only 8 Boards in the state to achieve this commendation, A grant award of \$89,640 to the Board from the Department of Housing and Urban Development for Shelter Plus Care housing support for severely mentally ill adults, The opening of the new WomenSafe Domestic Violence Shelter, A grant award of \$96,670 to Ravenwood Mental Health Center from the Ohio Department of Mental Health for Intensive Home Base Treatment for Children, And a grant award of \$444,750 to the Board from the Ohio Department of Mental Health to build new housing for severely mentally ill adults; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims May 2008 as MENTAL HEALTH MONTH in Geauga County and we celebrate over 40 years of volunteer service offered by Geauga County residents, both past and present, who have given their time and talents to the Geauga County Board of Mental Health and Recovery Services and its contract agencies, so that those individuals with mental illness or chemical addictions, and their families, may have a better quality of life both now, and in the years to come.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Resolution become part of the permanent record of the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio.

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

OTHER

Commissioner Albert read the Resolution of the 87th Congress of the United States of America Proclaiming the designation of May 15th as Peace Officers Memorial Day in honor of the Federal, State, and municipal officers who have been killed or disabled in the line of duty, and directing the officials of the Government to display at half-staff the flag of the United States on all Government buildings on such day.

The Board reviewed their calendars and schedules.

There was a brief discussion regarding the handling of this month's monthly economic development meeting that will start at 1:00 p.m., for this month only. There will be no lunch served before or during the meeting for those in attendance. The Board will provide a light lunch for the speakers before the meeting.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a. A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the week ending May 7, 2008 as required by O.R.C. 955.12.*

MEETINGS

Fri., 5/16 TAC meeting

Mon., 5/19 Family First meeting

Tue., 5/20 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Thu., 5/22 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Thu., 5/22 Some of the Commissioners' will attend the Mental Health & Recovery Services 22nd Annual Behavioral Health Care Dinner meeting at 5:30 p.m. at Chagrin Valley Athletic Club.

*Mon., 5/26 The County Offices will be **closed** in honor of the Memorial Day Holiday.*

*Tue., 5/27 **The Regularly scheduled Commissioners' meeting is cancelled.***

Thu., 5/29 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

*Thu., 5/29 **The monthly economic development work session will be held at 1:00 p.m. No lunch will be served at this meeting. There will be several speakers and the topic of discussion will be "Wind Energy".***

Sat., 5/31 Some of the Commissioners will attend the Frohring Meadows Park Opening

Tue., 6/3 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

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Thu., 6/5 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Thu., 6/5 The Commissioners will hold a public hearing on the proposed amendment to the Standard Specifications and Procedures for the Design and Construction of Subdivision Roads in Geauga County, Thursday, June 5, 2008 at 10:30 a.m.

BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER ALBERT ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 11:57 A.M.

Geauga County Board of Commissioners

Mary E. Samide

William S. Young

Craig S. Albert

Claudine Kozenko, Commissioners' Clerk