

**Commissioners' Journal**  
**July 15, 2008**

*The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on July 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 10:05 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 July 8, 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 the minutes for the meeting of July 10, 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 an appropriation transfer to return appropriations to the Sheriff's Office for pay-ins made into the General Fund; supplemental and appropriation transfers to redistribute appropriations where necessary and two travel requests for various departments.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution 08-100 itemizing the financials for the meeting of July 15, 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 ENGINEER'S OFFICE – RIVENDELL SUBDIVISION – RUSSELL TOWNSHIP**

*Commissioners' Clerk Claudine Kozenko explained to the Board the purpose of the maintenance guaranty and her process of setting up a certificate of deposit (CD) with the check received that is deposited in a bank and collects interest. The interest does not go to the Board of Commissioners. When the maintenance agreement is released the certificate of deposit is released to the developer with the accrued interest.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve, execute and accept the maintenance guaranty for the Rivendell Subdivision in Russell Township in the amount of \$50,000.00 being held by the Board at Middlefield Bank.*

<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 the dedication plat dedicating Westcot Lane (TR-1053) and Northwick Court (TR-1054) in the Rivendell Subdivision in Russell Township.*

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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>

*Motion:*        *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to accept Westcot Lane (TR-1053) and Northwick Court (TR-1054) in the Rivendell Subdivision for snow and ice removal only by Russell Township.*

<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>

**TRANSIT DEPARTMENT – ADVERTISE PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED FARE RATE INCREASE**

*Director Kristina Fenselon explained that fare rates have not been increased since 1996 and with the cost of gas rising it is a necessity at this point. In order to raise rates Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) requires a public hearing. The proposed rates increases: regular one way fare from \$4.00 to \$ 6.00, reduced fare from \$2.00 to \$3.00 and for extra stops the rate will go from \$.50 to \$1.00. The extra stops still normally need to be scheduled ahead of time. The proposed increase will take effect September 1, 2008. Ms. Fenselon reported that the transit buses do not handle money and do not make change so riders must have exact change or donate the difference. Part of the new PARTA project would include “smart cards” to load funds to be used for transit fares. Responding to Commissioner Albert’s question, Ms. Fenselon reported that about 80% of the ridership is the elderly and disabled. The department receives grant money to offset the cost of the reduced fare because the elderly and disabled fare is so high. Ridership is up 2,000 rides from the first quarter, with the general service being higher for the first time. A lot of the fares are doctor appointment and work trips. The early morning buses are filled mainly with the Amish. Transit also transports 30 children who participate in the Camp Sue Osborne program in Lake County for which the camp pays the full cost of the trip by contract. Ms. Fenselon explained that they have a contract to allow them into the Lake County service area. \$55,000.00 of Transit funding comes from the general fund and the rest of the funds come from grants, fees and advertising on the transit buses. Ms. Fenselon discussed the cost of fuel and the process of trying to find the best price every week. The state gas tax is paid up front but they are reimbursed \$0.27 of the \$0.28 quarterly. They do not pay the federal tax. Commissioner Young inquired if more people are using transit are they increasing the number of driving hours. Ms. Fenselon reported they are not increasing the hours because it is not affordable.*

*Motion:*        *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to grant permission to advertise to hold a public hearing on August 14, 2008 at 10:30 a.m. for the proposed transit fare increase. Notice of this hearing will be advertised July 15, 2008 and August 9, 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>

**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – LIEN DISCHARGE – PATTIE GROUP LEASING COMPANY LLC**

*Motion:*        *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Lien Discharge on a State of Ohio Certificate of Title for a 1999 Ford truck Model F25 (VIN# 1FTNF20L2XEA30611) for the Pattie Group Leasing Company, LLC as the lien has been satisfied. This action will allow the Geauga County Clerk of Courts to cancel said lien.*

<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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**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – THREE PARTY CONTRACT – KIWANIS LAKE COMMUNITY CENTER**

*Motion:* by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute a Three-Party Contract with Geauga County Board of Commissioners, Kiwanis Lake Community Center and Petersen Construction and Contracting Incorporated for the Public Rehabilitation (installation of interior and exterior doors and siding repair) at Kiwanis Lake Community Center, in the amount of \$7,236.78, under grant #B-F-07-026-1.

<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 – KIWANIS LAKE COMMUNITY CENTER**

*Motion:* by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Notice to Proceed to Petersen Construction and Contracting for public rehabilitation (installation of interior and exterior doors and siding repair) at Kiwanis Lake Community Center, in the amount of \$7,236.78, under grant #B-F-07-026-1.

<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>

**GEAUGA COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY - AMEND MOTION TO CORRECT GRANT AMOUNTS**

*Ms. Kozenko reported Fiscal Officer Diane Arp made the airport aware that the grant figures were incorrect.*

*Motion:* by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to amend the motion of June 19, 2008 to correct the grant amounts to read : “approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Grant Agreement in the amount of \$117,095.00 for Airport Drainage; Phase 3 Construction (FAA grant #AIP 3-39-0054-1108). The Federal share is \$111,240.00 and a local match of \$5,855.00 from the Geauga County General Fund. This grant is for the period August 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>

**GEAUGA COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY – FAA GRANT APPLICATION #1208 PHASE 4**

*Motion:* by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Grant Application in the amount of \$40,800.00 for Improve Airport Drainage; Phase 4 Construction (FAA grant #AIP 3-39-0054-1208). The Federal share is \$38,760.00 and a local match of \$2,040.00 from the Geauga County General Fund. This grant is for the period September 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>

**GEAUGA COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY - REIMBURSEMENT #3 PHASE I & II - #0905 & 1006**

*Motion:* by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute reimbursement #3 for the Federal Aviation Agency (FAA) Site Preparation for Parallel Taxiway Phase I and Phase II grant (#AIP 3-39-0054-0905 & 1006) Improve Airport Drainage; Obstruction Removal Trees in Runway 11 Approach, Phase II) also identified as Ohio

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*Department of Transportation Site Preparation for Parallel Taxiway (ODOT #06-2118) in the amount of \$41,069.00(with no local match), for the period September 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>

**GEAUGA COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY - REIMBURSEMENT #1 PHASE III - #1108**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute reimbursement #1 for the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Improve Airport Drainage; Phase 3 Construction (FAA grant #AIP 3-39-0054-1108) in the amount of \$46,175.00 (Federal share is \$43,866.00 and the local match of \$2,309.00 from the Geauga County General Fund). This grant is for the period September 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 – ADVERTISE PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF REVENUE BONDS**

*Ms. Kozenko explained this is for Camp Wise in Burton.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to grant permission to advertise to hold a public hearing on July 29, 2008 at 10:30 a.m. with respect to the proposed issuance by the Colorado Educational and Cultural Facilities Authority of revenue bonds for the Mandel Jewish Community Center of Cleveland. Notice of this hearing will be advertised on July 15, 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 – COMPENSATION INCREASE – GEORGE TIM TAYLOR**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve an increase in compensation to Job and Family Services Executive Director George Tim Taylor of 2.9% (from \$34.58 to \$35.58 per hour), to be effective in the pay period including July 1, 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 – OLD JAIL - TIME CAPSULE**

*Commissioner Young reminded everyone of the Red Simmons Memorial Garden dedication to be held Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young requesting that the original contents of the 1961 time capsule from the old jail, currently being held at Archives, be returned to the Board of Commissioners to be placed in a time capsule to be installed at the new Safety Center in the Red Simmons Memorial Garden to be located in the two gazebo walkway pillars. This motion further requests a copy of the recorded list of the contents of the 1961, previously opened, time capsule.*

<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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**OTHER**

*The Board reviewed calendars.*

*Commissioner Albert reported on the award presentation given by State Auditor Mary , CPA to Geauga County and Auditor Tracy Jemison of the "Making Your Tax Dollars Count Award" for excellence in financial reporting for 2006 and 2007. There were 14 counties in 2007 eligible for this award. The 2007 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) demonstrates the commitment to careful spending, accurate fiscal recording and efficiency.*

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

- a. The Plan Review for Heritage Nursing and Rehab Center, Submittal #1, in Munson Township filed by Geauga Soil and Water Conservation District.*

**MEETINGS**

*Wed., 7/16 Red Simmons Memorial Garden dedication at the Safety Center at 6:00 p.m.*

*Thu., 7/17 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

*Fri., 7/18 TAC meeting at 10:00 a.m.*

*Mon., 7/21 Family First meeting at 2:00 p.m.*

*Tue., 7/22 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

*Thu., 7/24 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

*Fri., 7/25 The Commissioners will attend Iron Mountain National Underground Storage.*

*Tue., 7/29 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

*Tue. 7/29 Saint-Gobain Crystals Grand Opening at 10:30 a.m.*

*Thu., 7/31 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

*Thu., 7/31 The monthly economic development work session will be held at noon.*

***BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER ALBERT ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 11:25 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*