

Commissioners' Journal
August 14, 2012

The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on August 14, 2012 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 meeting at 10:01 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE MINUTES

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of August 7, 2012.

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| <i>Roll Call Vote:</i> | <i>Commissioner Claypool</i> | <i>Abstain*</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Jemison</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Samide</i> | <i>Aye</i> |

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of August 9, 2012.

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| <i>Roll Call Vote:</i> | <i>Commissioner Claypool</i> | <i>Abstain*</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Jemison</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Samide</i> | <i>Aye</i> |

**Commissioner Claypool was absent from these meetings.*

APPROVE FINANCIALS

Budget Administrator Heidi Delaney explained the financials for today as including an Appropriation transfer for additional funding for the 800 Communications fund for the increased workload due to the 800 system upgrade and a Supplemental appropriation for the Sheriff's commissary fund for the increase in inmate purchases; a Cash transfer out of the General Fund for a portion of funding for the County Home; a Contract for Infinity Paving Company for the Chagrin Falls Community Center parking lot project in the amount of \$65,492.85; Travel requests for the Common Pleas Court and the Department of Job and Family Services; a payment to the Portage / Geauga Juvenile Detention Center for the third quarter 2012 in the amount of \$73,616.25.

Motion: by Commissioner Claypool, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute Resolution #12-145 itemizing the financials for the meeting of August 14, 2012.

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| <i>Roll Call Vote:</i> | <i>Commissioner Claypool</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Jemison</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Samide</i> | <i>Aye</i> |

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: by Commissioner Claypool, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to move into executive session for the purposes of discussing the hiring of a new employee.

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| <i>Roll Call Vote:</i> | <i>Commissioner Claypool</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Jemison</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Samide</i> | <i>Aye</i> |

Commissioner Samide noted that Chief Building Official Michael Mihalisin would be joining them in executive session. The Board returned from executive session at 10:31 a.m., as a result the following action was taken:

Motion: by Commissioner Claypool, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to amend the motion from June 21, 2012 establishing the position of Assistant Building Official, amending the designated pay grade from 14E to 16E and approve a revised

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organization chart for the Building Department reflecting the increased responsibilities of this position.

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| <i>Roll Call Vote:</i> | <i>Commissioner Claypool</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Jemison</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Samide</i> | <i>Aye</i> |

DEPARTMENT ON AGING – WESTERN RESERVE AREA AGENCY ON AGING FOR AGING AND DISABILITIES FUNDING FOR HEALTH PROMOTION SERVICES GRANT APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

Director Sally Bell explained that she was asking the Board to approve a grant to help seniors and their caregivers keep the seniors healthy. There are two programs involved, and a total of 10 staff members have already been trained as instructors. “A Matter of Balance” was developed at Boston University and this program stresses fall prevention through a six class program offered to church groups, assisted living, or any other group with 10 or more participants. “Chronic Disease Control” is the second program, helping individuals to make better life choices to improve their health. Ms. Bell went on to say that long-term issues affecting health include diabetes, high blood pressure, Parkinson’s, or any other problem which can be minimized by taking control through better daily life choices. The grant totals \$10,800.00 for a two-year period. There is a reimbursement rate from the grant of \$210.00 to the department for each individual successfully completing the program. Ms. Samide asked whether this information was already available from the clients’ own physicians; Ms. Bell replied that the time limitations make it difficult for a doctor to provide sufficient information during an office visit to allow their patients to make a lifestyle change. Ms. Samide noted that her daughter who is a Doctor of Pharmacy provides a program to individuals with diabetes issues. Ms. Bell stated that one advantage of this program is that the participants who have a number of different issues can be addressed, there is less of a stigma in a group setting, as there isn’t the singling out of individuals with a particular health issue. Mr. Claypool expressed his appreciation for Ms. Bell’s expertise and passion for her job, but stated that he would have to vote against this program as representing a further growth of government, and that he felt he had to make a statement about drawing the line against grants. He also stated that there would be other opportunities to provide this training through other programs the agency provides. Mr. Claypool stated that he had been flooded with information when he had a health issue, and that individuals as adults should take personal responsibility to gain the knowledge necessary to maintain their health. Mr. Jemison asked if Ms. Bell would be able to provide this training without the grant. Ms. Bell stated that they would provide this training in any event, but that the funding for this grant would be given to someone else in the county, and that the Department on Aging is the best provider for this type of service in the county and should apply for the funding. Ms. Bell stated that she runs the department very cost-effectively, to which Mr. Claypool expressed agreement, and Ms. Bell felt a responsibility to seek out the funding that would be spent by the federal government in any case. Ms. Samide expressed that she felt that programs operated in a group participation setting are more effective than individuals seeking to make changes such as losing weight on their own. Ms. Bell felt it was her responsibility to seek out funding to assist in the operation of the department. Mr. Claypool expressed his opinion that many grants are unconstitutional, and in taking an oath of office to defend the constitution, he took that responsibility seriously. Mr. Claypool stated that because the Department on Aging is well run and is fiscally sound, that the department doesn’t need the money, and shouldn’t take the grant. Mr. Jemison stated that federal spending cannot be stopped by refusing to take money from the federal government, as it will end up being taken by someone else; the process of eliminating grant programs has to start at the top. Ms. Samide stated that she has lived her personal and business life without taking any grants. Mr. Claypool noted the history of federal spending, starting with the Great Society programs of the 1960s, which have expanded greatly over the years. Mr. Claypool stated that if we, the county start educating people on the issues with grants and start talking to members of Congress, expressing that we want the system to change, we can bring about the elimination of these programs.

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the grant application documents for the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging for Aging and Disabilities funding for Health Promotion Services that include a Matter of Balance and Chronic Disease Prevention for seniors at all five (5) senior centers for the period January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014 for a total of \$5,400.00 per year in Federal

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funds, with a two year total of \$10,800.00, with a local match from in-kind donations and local levy funds.

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| <i>Roll Call Vote:</i> | <i>Commissioner Claypool</i> | <i>Nay</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Jemison</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Samide</i> | <i>Aye</i> |

DEPARTMENT ON AGING – MODIFICATION TO THE 2012 SENIOR FARMERS' MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM DISTRIBUTION AGENT AGREEMENT – WESTERN RESERVE AREA AGENCY ON AGING

Ms. Bell explained that as available funds for the federal farm market program were expended, there were some dollars left; this action is to enable three additional sets of vouchers be made available to buy fresh fruits and vegetables.

Motion: by Commissioner Claypool, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Modification to the 2012 Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program Distribution Agent Agreement between Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging and Geauga County Department on Aging for three (3) additional sets of vouchers valued at \$150.00.

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| <i>Roll Call Vote:</i> | <i>Commissioner Claypool</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Jemison</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Samide</i> | <i>Aye</i> |

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – ACCEPT PERFORMANCE BOND – RELEASE BID BOND – INFINITY PAVING COMPANY – CHAGRIN FALLS PARK COMMUNITY CENTER PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Program Coordinator Rhea Benton explained that these actions are related to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) grant project for the repaving of the parking lot at the Chagrin Falls Park Community Center. Ms. Benton is asking that the Board accept the performance bond and approve a notice to proceed. Ms. Benton explained that the CDBG formula grants are designed to aid on ADA projects in LMI (low income) areas.

Motion: by Commissioner Claypool, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to accept the Performance Bond from Infinity Paving Company for the Chagrin Falls Park Community Center Parking Lot Improvements Project, under Grant #B-F-11-1AZ-1 and to further release the bid bond.

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| <i>Roll Call Vote:</i> | <i>Commissioner Claypool</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Jemison</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Samide</i> | <i>Aye</i> |

Motion: by Commissioner Claypool, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute a Notice to Proceed to Infinity Paving Company for the Chagrin Falls Park Community Center Parking Lot Improvements Project, under Grant #B-F-11-1AZ-1.

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| <i>Roll Call Vote:</i> | <i>Commissioner Claypool</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Jemison</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Samide</i> | <i>Aye</i> |

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – THREE PARTY CONTRACT – NOTICE TO PROCEED – EXCAVATION WORKS, INCORPORATED – ANDREW J. AND BILLIE J. STAWICKI – INSTALL SEPTIC SYSTEM

Program Administrator Joni Stusek explained that this program is covered under the EPA grant, adding that this is the fourth client who has qualified for the installation of a new septic system. Ms. Stusek stated she was asking the Board to approve a three-party contract and notice to proceed. Mr. Claypool asked why the contract had to come before the board for approval if they had already approved accepting the grant. The Board acknowledged that while some actions handled directly by the board could be delegated for execution by the County Administrator, Mr. Jemison and Ms. Samide each stated that over the years, the board has felt that having direct oversight of these actions is best.

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Motion: by Commissioner Claypool, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute a Three-party Contract between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, Excavation Works, Incorporated and Andrew J. and Billie J. Stawicki for installation of a septic system located at 9626 Old State Road, Chardon, under the EPA Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Household Sewage Treatment System Program.

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| <i>Roll Call Vote:</i> | <i>Commissioner Claypool</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Jemison</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Samide</i> | <i>Aye</i> |

Motion: by Commissioner Claypool, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute a Notice to Proceed to Excavation Works, Incorporated for installation of a septic system located at 9626 Old State Road, Chardon, under the EPA Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Household Sewage Treatment System Program.

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| <i>Roll Call Vote:</i> | <i>Commissioner Claypool</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Jemison</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Samide</i> | <i>Aye</i> |

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – CHANGE ORDER #1 – DECREASE CONTRACT – INDOOR AIR TECHNOLOGIES – RESTFUL LAKE COMMUNITY CENTER REHABILITATION AND MOLD REMEDIATION PROJECT

Ms. Stusek explained that this project originally had been through the formula grant and several years after completion of the project some repair work was needed. Ms. Stusek explained that originally they felt the roof would need to be replaced in order to remove the mold, it has since been determined that replacing the roof was no longer necessary, which results in this decrease. Mr. Claypool asked where the savings would end up; Ms. Stusek replied that this money would remain in that fund, and could be used for other projects.

Motion: by Commissioner Claypool, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute Change Order #1 decreasing the contract with Indoor Air Technologies, Incorporated in the amount of \$10,450.00, as it was determined by the Geauga County Building Department that Alternate #2 was unnecessary, reducing the contract amount for the Restful Lake Community Center Rehabilitation and Mold Remediation Project.

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| <i>Roll Call Vote:</i> | <i>Commissioner Claypool</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Jemison</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Samide</i> | <i>Aye</i> |

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION APPENDIX E – DISBURSEMENT REQUEST FORM AND CERTIFICATION #3 – OPALOCKA WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Director Doug Bowen explained that the Opalocka Wastewater Treatment Plant had been built in the 70's, this improvement project is to increase the capacity and operational issues. Mr. Bowen stated that the total cost for this project is just over \$800,000, and was approved for Public Works funding in 2008. There was brief discussion about how the disbursement of the funding works.

Motion: by Commissioner Claypool, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Ohio Public Works Commission Appendix E – Disbursement Request Form and Certification #3 for the Opalocka Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Project in the amount of \$271,061.16.

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| <i>Roll Call Vote:</i> | <i>Commissioner Claypool</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Jemison</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Samide</i> | <i>Aye</i> |

LIQUOR LICENSE – SIDS OIL, INCORPORATED, D.B.A. HANINI MARATHON – CLARIDON TOWNSHIP

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Mr. Jemison explained that the Board most often concurs with the Township on their desire to hold a public hearing or not, if they do request one, it's usually held here.

Motion: by Commissioner Claypool, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to concur with Claridon Township Trustees in not requesting a hearing on the liquor license requested by Sids Oil, Incorporated, D.B.A. Hanini Marathon located at 12797 Mayfield Road, Unit A & gas pumps (C STCK 8125985).

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| <i>Roll Call Vote:</i> | <i>Commissioner Claypool</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Jemison</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Samide</i> | <i>Aye</i> |

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – APPOINT KRISTINA PORT, ALTERNATE ON NOACA WATER AND AIR QUALITY BOARD

In response to a question by Mr. Claypool as to the selection of Kristina Port, Ms. Samide explained that Ms. Port had previously been her alternate on the NOACA TAC board for several years and is able to participate and put the time in on this board.

Motion: by Commissioner Claypool, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to appoint Kristina Port, as the Alternate for Mary E. Samide on the NOACA Water and Air Quality Board.

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| <i>Roll Call Vote:</i> | <i>Commissioner Claypool</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Jemison</i> | <i>Aye</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 August 1, 2012 as required by O.R.C. 955.12.*
- b) 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 July 2012, pursuant to ORC 135.35(L).*

OTHER

The Board reviewed upcoming events.

MEETINGS

- Thu., 8/16 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*
- Thu., 8/16 Annual Potluck Dinner, Geauga County Agricultural Society, @ 6:30 p.m. Fairgrounds School Building*
- Mon., 8/20 Family First Council, 2:00 p.m. at Mental Health*
- Tues., 8/21 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*
- Tues., 8/21 Peach Jamboree – Department on Aging, Chagrin Falls Senior Center 10:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.*
- Wed., 8/22 Perry Nuclear Power Plant Drill – Dry Run*
- Thu., 8/23 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*
- Fri., 8/24 Ribbon Cutting & Dedication of Casa Lucia Senior Apartments, 1:00 p.m., Middlefield*
- Tues., 8/28 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*
- Thu., 8/30 **The Commissioners will hold regular session at 10:00 a.m. at the Geauga County Fairgrounds, Junior Fair stage. NOTE DIFFERENT LOCATION.***

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***BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER
CLAYPOOL ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 11:20 A.M.***

Geauga County Board of Commissioners

Mary E. Samide

Tracy A. Jemison

Walter M. Claypool

Christine Blair, Commissioners' Clerk

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