

**Commissioners' Journal**  
**July 26, 2012**

*The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on July 26, 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 10:00 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**APPROVE MINUTES**

*Motion: by Commissioner Claypool, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of July 27, 2012.*

<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>

**BUILDING DEPARTMENT – ADVERTISE INTERNALLY – PART-TIME, INTERMITTENT, PERMIT COORDINATOR (#1106)**

*County Administrator David Lair explained that this position would enable the Administrative Secretary to have a backup and be able to take vacation. Mr. Lair noted that the is anticipation is that the employees who would apply for this position would be at pay grade levels lower than the Permit Coordinator, and thus the intermittent part would allow the employee placed in the position to earn the pay grade set for the position only when they are doing the job.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Claypool, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to grant permission to advertise internally for the position of Part-time, Intermittent, Permit Coordinator (#1106) for a minimum of five (5) days, this posting will close on Friday, August 3, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.*

<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>

**PLEASANT HILL COUNTY HOME – HIRE FULL-TIME COOK (#1503) – CHERIE BURICH**

*Director Karen DeCola briefly explained that at a previous meeting it had been discussed about her hiring additional summer help since time allowed. Ms. DeCola went ahead and placed her summer help and since that time the Full-time Cook at the time has accepted another position elsewhere allowing for that position to posted internally. Ms. DeCola explained that Ms. Burich is currently a summer help employee that was eligible to apply and that previously was a cook at a restaurant that Ms. Burich and her husband had run. Commissioner Claypool then noted that that was a replacement to fill an existing opening.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Claypool, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve hiring Cherie Burich to the position of Full-time Cook (#1503) to be effective August 1, 2012 at a rate of \$8.94 per hour. After the successful completion of a 180 day probationary period the rate will increase to \$9.41 per hour.*

<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>

**WATER RESOURCES – LEASE – BAINBROOK / LAUREL SPRINGS HOMEOWNERS CLUB**

*Director Doug Bowen explained that twelve years ago there was a waste water treatment plant in Bainbrook, and it was later replaced with a pump station. The area on the parcel being used was cut way back and the Homeowners Association asked to be able to use the property for recreation purposes. Mr. Bowen stated that the property is leased to them for \$300.00 a year and that is the third renewal on the lease.*

*Mr. Claypool inquired about how large of a piece of property it was and if there was an future*

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*use of this property. Mr. Bowen stated that it was five acres total. Mr. Bowen explained that the area around the parcel is fully developed, noting that the property was turned over to the county by the developer when they put the subdivision and treatment plant in. Over the years we have condensed treatment plants down to have less to take care of, adding that this was when it became a pump station. Only a small corner of the property is used and the rest is now vacant. Mr. Claypool explained that the \$300.00 a year that they pay us is nothing, but by giving or selling them the property to make a community park, or build a house on, it would go off the county's books and become a parcel that tax would be paid on, adding a saving to the county. Mr. Bowen noted that they would have to check the restrictions on the parcel since it is in a subdivision and if a house could even be built on it. Commissioner Jemison stated that in the meantime he would like to see the Board approve the agreement and if the Association would like to buy the property it could always be changed. Executive Director of Mental Health and Recovery Services Jim Adams stated from the audience that he lives in that subdivision and that at one time a management firm was in control and walked away with money from the Association. Mr. Adams added that the parcel being discussed is in the valley and most likely was not buildable, noting that they use the field for kids events and activities. Mr. Claypool added that the point he was trying to make is that the possibility is there that this parcel could be a taxable property, allowing the county to make more than the \$300.00 being paid by the Association and the community and surrounding homeowners in the area might benefit from it, rather than the county trying to maintain it, adding that it might be a greater revenue or benefit from doing that. Mr. Claypool asked that Mr. Bowen look into the parcel further and get back with him on the results.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Claypool, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute a Lease between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and Bainbrook / Laurel Springs Homeowners Club for the period June 1, 2012 through May 31, 2017 (Five Years) in the amount of \$300.00 per year.*

<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>

**MENTAL HEALTH AND RECOVERY SERVICES – RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A TAX IN EXCESS OF TEN MILL LIMITATION – REQUEST CERTIFICATION FROM COUNTY AUDITOR OF DOLLAR AMOUNT GENERATED**

*Mr. Adams explained that the dates needed to be changed on the resolution for the additional levy. Mr. Jemison explained that originally when the Mental Health Board was going for the renewal with additional it was for the tax year 2013 but when the two issues were split they were then given the option of going sooner on the additional in tax year 2012 but that the renewal was still on for 2013. Mr. Claypool inquired if this additional levy would offset the amount of loss or if it was a gain. Mr. Adams replied that this additional doesn't even come close to offsetting the loss, that they figure the loss to be about 35% to 40% from State and Federal funding. Mr. Adams explained that twenty four programs were cut this year, noting that they run on a State Fiscal Year which begins on July 1<sup>st</sup>. These program cuts this year were in addition to the \$750,000.00 in programming that was cut last year. Mr. Claypool noted for clarification that this action requests the certification from the Auditor's office of the dollar amount it would generate and then there is a second set of resolutions that actually would then place the levies onto the ballot.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Claypool, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute Resolution #12-135 (superseding Resolution #12-132, approved July 17, 2012) Declaring it Necessary to Levy a Tax in Excess of the Ten Mill Limitation and Requesting Certification of the County Auditor of the Dollar Amount Generated at the Request of the Geauga County Board of Mental Health and Recovery Services, as Authorized by O.R.C. 5705.03, .19, .191, .221, .25, and .26.*

**RESOLUTION NO. 12-135**

**A RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN MILL LIMITATION AND REQUESTING CERTIFICATION OF THE COUNTY AUDITOR OF THE DOLLAR AMOUNT GENERATED AT THE REQUEST OF THE GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH AND RECOVERY SERVICES, AS AUTHORIZED BY O.R.C. 5705.03, .19, .191, .221, .25 and .26**

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*The Board of County Commissioners of the County of Geauga, State of Ohio, met in regular session on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of July 2012, commencing at 10:00 o'clock a.m. at the Commissioners' Chambers, 470 Center Street, Building #4, Chardon, Ohio, 44024, with the following members present:*

*Mary E. Samide      Tracy A. Jemison      Walter M. Claypool*

*The Clerk advised the Board of County Commissioners that the notice requirements of R.C. 121.22 and the implementing rules adopted by the Board thereto were complied with for the meeting.*

*Commissioner Claypool moved for the adoption of the following resolution:*

*WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has determined that it is necessary to levy a tax outside the ten-mill limitation for the requirements of the Geauga County Board of Mental Health and Recovery Services fna Geauga Community Board of Mental Health, Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services established pursuant to Chapter 340 of the Ohio Revised Code.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Geauga, State of Ohio, hereby certifies to the Geauga County Auditor this resolution requesting that the County Auditor certify to the Board of County Commissioners the total current tax valuation of Geauga County and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by an additional levy of one-quarter (.25) mill.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio, two-thirds of all members elected thereto concurring, that it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten mill limitation for the benefit of the Geauga County Board of Mental Health and Recovery Services for the purpose of providing the Geauga County Board of Mental Health and Recovery Services with sufficient funds for the operation of mental health programs at a rate not exceeding one-quarter (.25) mill for each one dollar (\$1.00) of valuation, which amounts to two and a half cents (\$0.025) for each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of valuation, for a period of five (5) years and which levy is an additional levy for said mental health programs.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said levy shall be for a period of five (5) years and this levy is an additional levy of one-quarter (.25) mill to be placed upon the tax year 2012 if a majority of the electors voting thereon vote in favor thereof at the general election to be held on November 6, 2012.*

*Commissioner Jemison seconded the motion.*

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*Upon roll call on the adoption of the resolution, the vote was as follows:*

<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>

**OTHER**

*Mr. Adams stated to the Board that he and two members from Chardon Local Schools spoke last Tuesday at the Governor's Safety School Conference in Columbus, adding that they represented Geauga County very well.*

**OTHER**

*The Board reviewed upcoming events.*

**MEETINGS**

- Tues., 7/31 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*
- Wed., 8/1 217<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Geauga County Recorder's Office, Open House from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.*
- Thu., 8/2 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*
- Mon., 8/6 Board of Revision, 9:00 a.m. – Cancelled*
- Tues., 8/7 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*
- Thu., 8/9 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*
- Fri., 8/10 NOACA, Cleveland, 10:00 a.m.*
- Tues., 8/14 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*
- Tues., 8/14 The Planning Commission meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Planning Commission meeting room, Bldg. #1C, 470 Center Street, Chardon*
- Thu., 8/16 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

***BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER CLAYPOOL ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 10:18 A.M.***

*Geauga County Board of Commissioners*

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*Mary E. Samide*

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*Tracy A. Jemison*

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*Walter M. Claypool*

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*Christine Blair, Commissioners' Clerk*

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