

**Commissioners' Journal**  
**May 10, 2011**

*The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on May 10, 2011 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, Tracy A. Jemison opened the meeting at 10:03 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 April 26, 2011.*

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

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of May 3, 2011.*

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

*\*Commissioner Young was absent from this session.*

**APPROVE FINANCIALS**

*Budget Administrator Heidi Delaney explained the financials as Revenue Certification for the Community Development Fund; an appropriation transfer from the Contingency account to return appropriations to the Auditor's Office for a refund of registration fees paid for a cancelled training class; a cash transfer for a portion of 2011 funding for the County Home; a purchase order for Golling's Arena Chrysler for the purchase of a 2011 Dodge Caravan for the Department of Job and Family Services in the amount of \$20,826.00, travel requests for the Recorder's Office, Common Pleas Court, and the Department of Job and Family Services; and a loan disbursement payment from the Revolving Loan Fund to LandsKeepers Five Star, LLC in the amount of \$40,000.00.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution #11-072 itemizing the financials for the meeting of May 10, 2011.*

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

**ARCHIVES AND RECORDS CENTER – IRON MOUNTAIN CUSTOMER AGREEMENT**

*Director Linda Burhenne explained that Recorder Sharon Gingerich came upon an alternate vendor for the storage of microfilm for the county and when that information reached our current vendor, Iron Mountain called and wanted to re-negotiate our contract. Upon doing that the county was able to cut our annual costs by over fifty percent (50%) and through information from other area records managers giving tips to look for certain things in the contract, we were able to have charges removed. Those charges included an annual administrative fee of \$763.00 for basically nothing and a fee for removal of records. Ms. Burhenne stated that she informed Iron Mountain that those records belonged to the residents of Geauga County and that it was not right for Iron Mountain to charge if the residents wanted those records back, and Iron Mountain agreed and removed the charge. Commissioner Jemison noted that this company was charging the county an increase of almost ten percent annually. Ms. Burhenne stated that during this process she indeed received the invoice for this year and it had included an eight percent (8%) increase. Ms. Gingerich stated that Iron Mountain had contacted Ms. Burhenne after seeing an*

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*article published in the newspaper regarding the county looking at another vendor. Ms. Gingerich stated that other Recorders have attempted to re-negotiate with them and had been unsuccessful.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Iron Mountain Customer Agreement between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and Iron Mountain Information Management, Incorporated for film storage for a five year period to be effective May 1, 2011 in the amount of \$2.60 / cubic foot in Year 1 and 2, \$2.68/cubic foot in Year 3, \$2.76 / cubic foot in Year 4 and \$2.84 / cubic foot in Year 5.*

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

**DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – NEW HIRE APPOINTMENTS**

*Director Tim Taylor stated that this was requesting approval for the three positions filled that were all replacements. Mr. Taylor stated that they had followed the hiring process and all came in at the Step 1 rate.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the following new hire appointments of the Director of Job and Family Services, as Job and Family Services has complied with the Board of Commissioners hiring process:*

*Janet Cisan, Eligibility / Clerical Specialist 2, April 4, 2011 (replacement)*  
*Cynthia Weil, Eligibility / Referral Specialist 2, April 18, 2011 (replacement)*  
*Jodi Miller, Social Services Worker 1, April 19, 2011 (replacement)*

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

**DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT GUIDELINES FOR ASSISTANCE TO KINSHIP FAMILIES**

*Mr. Taylor, Gina Schultz and Dawn Bates briefly discussed with the Board the approval for guidelines to be implemented for kinship assistance. Mr. Taylor explained that this was a new program and a new form of assistance. Ms. Schultz explained that over the last couple years the State and Judge Henry have put a lot of emphasis on kinship placement, which is preferred over foster care. A push for kinship offers many good reasons, such as fewer placement changes by usually being closer to home, causing less school changes; a connection with the child by either knowing them or the family makes it easier then being put with strangers, and if it is a kinship placement and they return home, they are less likely to go back into foster care. Ms. Schultz explained that families are needing help, that a lot of the situations are sibling groups and are more then one child and kinship does not get the same assistance as foster care; it's a per diem rate and a lot of things are asked of the kinship provider on their own. These proposed guidelines would bring consistency, fairness and support for doing the right thing. Ms. Bates gave examples of families' needs for assistance including Day Care expense for younger children that have not reached school age and a need for assistance in the purchase of clothing and groceries. Ms. Schultz stated that the minimum payment for foster care is twenty dollars (\$20.00) per day with additional assistance for day care when needed, whereas with kinship there is no assistance. Ms. Bates stated for Commissioner Young the definition of kinship as an individual who has a strong relationship with the child or the child's family. Mr. Jemison inquired that if foster parents are entitled to assistance, why does kinship arrangements not receive similar support, and asked if there is something the county has to establish or is there a state regulation? Mr. Taylor explained that there are support services and network services but no real financial services. Mr. Taylor stated that there is a state program that provides periodic payments over a course of three years at \$300.00 every six months, and all assistance financially is helpful but it just isn't enough to offset the cost of taking a child into your home. Mr. Taylor stated that they have used levy funds to assist with bringing kinship to a family and facilitate placement. Mr. Jemison acknowledged that this as something they have been doing with local*

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*levy funds and this request serves to finalize and put guidelines into place. Mr. Taylor briefly explained that in 2010 twenty-five children were in foster care at an average length of nine months; at the lowest rate of \$20.00 per day this was a total cost of \$137,000.00. This cost was for foster families that had been recruited through their office; if there was any medical or mental health needs they would have to go through an area provider which can cause the rate to go up significantly. Mr. Taylor stated that if the nineteen kids that were in kinship are added, just on a cost basis it would be an additional \$100,000.00 to the county. Programs like this are in the best interest of the children and are a positive force in terms of cost containment. These guidelines keep the agency from having inconsistencies. Mr. Jemison stated that it allows for kinship to take care of them.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to authorize the Executive Director of Job and Family Services to develop and implement guidelines providing for assistance to kinship families in order to facilitate the placement of children in the custody of Job and Family Services with family members approved as a placement option.*

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

**MAINTENANCE – SERVICE CONTRACT AGREEMENT – ASH’S MAYFIELD WINDOW CLEANING COMPANY – COUNTY BUILDINGS AND SAFETY CENTER**

*Director Glen Vernick stated that this takes care of all the buildings, including the Patterson Center and the Bi-Centennial Building. Mr. Jemison inquired if they had done any of the windows yet. Mr. Vernick explained that the windows were done quickly before the Maple Festival to make it look nice, they are then done again after. Mr. Jemison asked how this compared to last year. Mr. Vernick stated that the price was the same. Mr. Vernick stated that there are two contracts and the second is for the Safety Center. The company spreads the work throughout the year and includes cleaning all of the screens. The Courthouse is included but requires the cherry picker to reach all the windows and the ground has to be very dry.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute a service Contract Agreement with Ash’s Mayfield Window Cleaning Company to perform yearly Window Cleaning for Geauga County Buildings for the Year 2011 in an amount not to exceed \$12,000.00.*

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

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute a service Contract Agreement with Ash’s Mayfield Window Cleaning Company to perform yearly Window Cleaning for the Geauga County Safety Center for the Year 2011 in an amount not to exceed \$1,500.00.*

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

**MAINTENANCE – SERVICE CONTRACT AGREEMENT – WHEELER LANDSCAPING INCORPORATED**

*Mr. Vernick explained that this is for irrigation at the Red Simmons Memorial at the Safety Center. The price is the same as last year, and includes adjustments and any repairs needed to the heads, as well as the back flow test.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute a service Contract Agreement with Wheeler Landscaping, Incorporated to perform Irrigation Services and Maintenance for the Red Simmons Memorial site for the Year 2011 in an amount not to exceed \$400.00.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>

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*Commissioner Samide                      Aye*

*DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – SERVICE CONTRACT AGREEMENTS –  
ROMANO IANIRO CONTRACTING INCORPORATED, AIRVAC INCORPORATED, G.A.R.  
PAVING, H2O TOWERS LLC, APO PUMPS AND COMPRESSORS INCORPORATED*

*Director Doug Bowen stated that these were the last five service contracts on the books for the year. Ianiro Contracting is for miscellaneous landscaping or sewer installations; AIRVAC services the lines every year and tests the employees to train them for any situation; G.A.R. Paving is to patch or do repairs at the treatment plant driveways, especially McFarland and Valley View; H2O Towers does the external cleaning of the water towers in Bainbridge and Chardon; and APO Pumps and Compressors does any miscellaneous repairs to air compressors or pumps at the treatment plants.*

*Motion:                      by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute a service Contract Agreement with Romano Ianiro Contracting, Incorporated to perform excavating services as needed at various locations for the Year 2011 in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00.*

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

*Motion:                      by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute a service Contract Agreement with AIRVAC, Incorporated for evaluation, training, and troubleshooting services for the sewer systems using AIRVAC vacuum system technology for the Year 2011 in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00.*

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

*Motion:                      by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute a service Contract Agreement with G.A.R. Paving to perform small quantity pothole patching and asphalt repairs and small quantity chip and seal repairs as needed at various locations for the Year 2011 in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.*

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

*Motion:                      by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute a service Contract Agreement with H2O Towers, LLC to furnish the materials and labor necessary to clean the exterior surface of the Bainbridge Water Tower #1 and the Service Center Tower #1 for the period of nine months in an amount not to exceed \$7,850.00.*

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

*Motion:                      by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute a service Contract Agreement with APO Pumps and Compressors, Incorporated to perform maintenance of air compressors at various wastewater treatment plants within the department for the Year 2011 in an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00.*

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

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**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – GENERAL CERTIFICATE – WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN FUND (WPCLF) CONSTRUCTION APPLICATION – INFIRMARY CREEK WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT (WWTP) REPLACEMENT**

*Mr. Bowen explained that this loan application was for the Infirmary Creek Waste Water Treatment Plant Replacement Program. Currently they have an 80,000 gallon a day plant servicing over 100,000 gallons a day which is stretching it to the limits. This has been an ongoing project for a couple of years, the plans have been approved and they are ready to go to bid. Mr. Jemison stated that this is something we have to do, as an EPA requirement. There has been a lot of expansion in the demand on this plant that has not been addressed for awhile. Mr. Bowen stated that this will expand capacity to 149,000 gallons per day; rated flows above 150,000 gallons a day would require a Class II Operator and the need for that operator to be at the plant for four hours a day versus two. Mr. Bowen explained that this loan may or may not happen, which currently anticipates Water Resources covering 33% of the cost with the other 67% coming from UH Geauga Medical Center. If the hospital pays their portion up front then this loan application will be cancelled. The interest rate is 3.7%. The hospital has been set up to pay this off on every sewer bill; they have already budgeted for it and are ready to go.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to grant permission for Christine Blair, Commissioners' Clerk to execute the General Certificate for the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) Construction Application for the Infirmary Creek Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) Replacement Project (P0304).*

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

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT AND ENTER A WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN FUND AGREEMENT**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution #11-077 Authorizing the President of the Board to apply for, accept and enter into a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Agreement on behalf of the Board of Commissioners for Planning, Design and / or Construction of Wastewater Facilities; and designating a dedicated repayment source for the loan.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution: 11-077*  
*Date: May 10, 2011*

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRACY A. JEMISON, PRESIDENT OF THE GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND ENTER INTO A WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN FUND AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR PLANNING, DESIGN AND/OR CONSTRUCTION OF WASTEWATER FACILITIES; AND DESIGNATING A DEDICATED REPAYMENT SOURCE FOR THE LOAN:**

*Whereas, the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County seek to upgrade its existing wastewater facilities; and*

*Whereas, the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County intends to apply for Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) for the planning, design and or construction of the wastewater facilities; and*

*Whereas, the Ohio Water Pollution Control Loan Fund requires the government authority to pass legislation for application of a loan and the execution of an agreement as well as designating a dedicated repayment source; now therefore,*

*BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio:*

*SECTION 1. That Tracy A. Jemison, President of the Geauga County Board of County Commissioners be and is hereby authorized to apply for a WPCLF loan, sign all*

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*documents for and enter into a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and the Ohio Water Development Authority for planning, design and/or construction of wastewater facilities on behalf of the Board of Commissioners.*

*SECTION 2. That the dedicated source of repayment will be tap-in fees and user fees.*

*SECTION 3. That is resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.*

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

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN FUND (WPCLF) CONSTRUCTION APPLICATION – INFIRMARY CREEK WWTP REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) Construction Application for the Infirmary Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant Replacement Project (P0304).*

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

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – UNPAID MEDICAL LEAVE – TRAVIS NEELY, MAINTENANCE WORKER**

*Mr. Bowen stated that this was needed to extend the current unpaid leave that Mr. Neely is currently on from surgery. Mr. Neely should be able to return in a few weeks but have allotted for additional days if needed.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve a continuation of unpaid medical leave of absence for Travis Neely, Maintenance Worker for time not covered by accrued sick and vacation leave for the period of May 7, 2011 up to June 1, 2011.*

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

**COUNTY HOME – RESIGNATION – LEE VETTER, PART-TIME ATTENDANT**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to accept the resignation of Lee Vetter, Part-time Attendant to be effective May 31, 2011.*

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

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – PUBLIC OFFICIALS BOND – KAREN DECOLA**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve a public official's bond for Karen DeCola, Geauga County Pleasant Hill Home Superintendent in the amount of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00).*

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

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – PAYMENT OF FEES – ANIMAL CRUELTY CASES**

*Mr. Young asked for further clarification. County Administrator David Lair explained that the Humane Society under the O.R.C. can ask the General Fund to cover animal cruelty cases within*

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*the county; they contract with someone to do the legal work in prosecuting these cases, and then submit invoices to the Commissioners' office to be paid by the General Fund . The Board can have the bills viewed by their Prosecuting Attorney Laura LaChapelle and set caps on the limits paid. Commissioners' Clerk Christine Blair stated that an invoice had come into the office and before it was paid the Budget Administrator wanted to confirm that the rates had not changed from the last time they were set. This is just confirming those rates in order to move forward with payment of the submitted invoices.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to authorize the payment of fees for prosecution of animal cruelty cases by outside legal counsel, pursuant to O.R.C. 2931.18, upon approval by the Prosecutor's Office and subject to the following fee limits:*

- a. Maximum in-court hourly rate: \$50.00*
- b. Maximum outside-of-court hourly rate: \$40.00*
- c. Maximum fee to be charged per case: \$500.00*

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

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – RESOLUTIONS HONORING WILLIAM LEWIS BLANKENSHIP, MICHAEL JAMES DEPNER, MATTHEW WILLIAM DWYER AND BRETT MICHAEL SROKA ON ACHIEVING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution #11-073, #11-074, #11-075, and #11-076 Honoring William Lewis Blankenship, Michael James Depner, Matthew William Dwyer and Brett Michael Sroka on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution: 11-073*  
*Date: May 10, 2011*

**A RESOLUTION HONORING WILLIAM LEWIS BLANKENSHIP  
FOR ACHIEVING EAGLE SCOUT THE HIGHEST AWARD OF ADVANCEMENT  
BESTOWED UPON A BOY SCOUT**

*WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts is a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young men to build character, citizenship, and leadership; and*

*WHEREAS, each scout must prove to his adult leaders the basics of outdoor survival including nature study, first aid, life saving and other activities that provide leadership qualities; and*

*WHEREAS, the Eagle Scout Rank is an accomplishment that only four percent of all those who start Boy Scouting ever attain; and*

*WHEREAS, William Lewis Blankenship is a member of Boy Scout Troop 91, Munson Township, Geauga County, and has excelled in his search for knowledge, leadership, planning and community support; and*

*WHEREAS, William Lewis Blankenship provided leadership at meetings and on campouts and has done an excellent job in all aspects of scouting; and*

*WHEREAS, William Lewis Blankenship's Eagle Scout project consisted of building a kiosk and mulching at the base at Munson Township Park to hold park information; and.*

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners salutes William Lewis Blankenship for service to his community and the Scouts of America;*

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*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution become part of the permanent record of the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio.*

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

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution: 11-074*  
*Date: May 10, 2011*

***A RESOLUTION HONORING MICHAEL JAMES DEPNER  
FOR ACHIEVING EAGLE SCOUT THE HIGHEST AWARD OF ADVANCEMENT  
BESTOWED UPON A BOY SCOUT***

*WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts is a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young men to build character, citizenship, and leadership; and*

*WHEREAS, each scout must prove to his adult leaders the basics of outdoor survival including nature study, first aid, life saving and other activities that provide leadership qualities; and*

*WHEREAS, the Eagle Scout Rank is an accomplishment that only four percent of all those who start Boy Scouting ever attain; and*

*WHEREAS, Michael James Depner is a member of Boy Scout Troop 91, Munson Township, Geauga County, and has excelled in his search for knowledge, leadership, planning and community support; and*

*WHEREAS, Michael James Depner provided leadership at meetings and on campouts and has done an excellent job in all aspects of scouting; and*

*WHEREAS, Michael James Depner's Eagle Scout project consisted of cleaning up the path at Munson Park by removing the hazards, debris and trash, where picnic tables will later be placed along the path; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners salutes Michael James Depner for service to his community and the Scouts of America;*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution become part of the permanent record of the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio.*

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

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution: 11-075*  
*Date: May 10, 2011*

***A RESOLUTION HONORING MATTHEW WILLIAM DWYER  
FOR ACHIEVING EAGLE SCOUT THE HIGHEST AWARD OF ADVANCEMENT  
BESTOWED UPON A BOY SCOUT***

*WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts is a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young men to build character, citizenship, and leadership; and*

*WHEREAS, each scout must prove to his adult leaders the basics of outdoor survival including nature study, first aid, life saving and other activities that provide leadership qualities; and*



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*WHEREAS, the Eagle Scout Rank is an accomplishment that only four percent of all those who start Boy Scouting ever attain; and*

*WHEREAS, Matthew William Dwyer is a member of Boy Scout Troop 91, Munson Township, Geauga County, and has excelled in his search for knowledge, leadership, planning and community support; and*

*WHEREAS, Matthew William Dwyer provided leadership at meetings and on campouts and has done an excellent job in all aspects of scouting; and*

*WHEREAS, Matthew William Dwyer's Eagle Scout project consisted of removing brush, debris and trees from trails at Scenic River Park on Mayfield Road; also placing bridges over the low lying areas and put in trail markers every 0.10 mile noting the length; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners salutes Matthew William Dwyer for service to his community and the Scouts of America;*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution become part of the permanent record of the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio.*

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

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution: 11-076*

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**A RESOLUTION HONORING BRETT MICHAEL SROKA  
FOR ACHIEVING EAGLE SCOUT THE HIGHEST AWARD OF ADVANCEMENT  
BESTOWED UPON A BOY SCOUT**

*WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts is a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young men to build character, citizenship, and leadership; and*

*WHEREAS, each scout must prove to his adult leaders the basics of outdoor survival including nature study, first aid, life saving and other activities that provide leadership qualities; and*

*WHEREAS, the Eagle Scout Rank is an accomplishment that only four percent of all those who start Boy Scouting ever attain; and*

*WHEREAS, Brett Michael Sroka is a member of Boy Scout Troop 91, Munson Township, Geauga County, and has excelled in his search for knowledge, leadership, planning and community support; and*

*WHEREAS, Brett Michael Sroka provided leadership at meetings and on campouts and has done an excellent job in all aspects of scouting; and*

*WHEREAS, Brett Michael Sroka's Eagle Scout project consisted of the removal and rebuilding of the stairs that lead to the parking lot and pavilion at the Naro Nature Preserve, along with cleaning up and replanting the shrub bed; and.*

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners salutes Brett Michael Sroka for service to his community and the Scouts of America;*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution become part of the permanent record of the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio.*

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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 Jemison</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 April 27, 2011 as required by O.R.C. 955.12.*

**OTHER**

*The Board reviewed upcoming events.*

**MEETINGS**

*Tues., 5/10 The Planning Commission meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Planning Commission meeting room, Bldg. #1C, 470 Center Street*

*Wed., 5/11 Some of the Commissioners will attend the All County Business After Hours 4:00 p.m. at Morning Star Friends Church, Chardon*

*Thu., 5/12 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

*Thu., 5/12 Geauga County Agricultural Society will give a presentation update.*

*Fri., 5/13 NOACA meeting at 10:00 a.m.*

*Mon., 5/16 Some of the Commissioners will attend the Western Reserve EERA meeting 10:00 a.m. at the Leonard Krieger CanalWay Center, Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation*

*Mon., 5/16 Board of Revision*

*Mon., 5/16 Family First Council meeting 2:00 p.m.*

*Tues., 5/17 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

*Thu., 5/19 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

***BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER SAMIDE ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 10:46 A.M.***

*Gauga County Board of Commissioners*

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*Tracy A. Jemison*

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*William S. Young*

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*Mary E. Samide*

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*Christine Blair, Commissioners' Clerk*

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