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March 24, 2009

The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on March 24, 2009 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, William S. Young opened the meeting at 10:02 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 March 19, 2009.

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

APPROVE FINANCIALS

Fiscal Specialist Diane Arp explained the financials as including two Revenue Certifications-one for TTZ Intensive Supervision Probation to cover Conference Training Expenses and Court Technology is certifying funds received from CLC/CPC/JCC/JPC; appropriation transfers include transferring the excess General Fund Worker's Compensation appropriations back to Contingency and there are three Travel Requests for various departments.

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute Resolution 09-038 itemizing the financials for the meeting of March 24, 2009.

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

ARCHIVES AND RECORDS CENTER – BLUE TECHNOLOGIES – METER AND MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute a Contract Agreement with Blue Technologies Incorporated for Monthly Meter Program maintenance contract for a Konica 7145 copy machine in the amount of \$0.012 per copy.

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

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – SERVICE CONTRACT – ACTION DOOR – REPAIR SERVICES FOR 2009

Business Manager Adrian Gorton explained this contract is have contractors available in case work that has to be done on doors cannot be done in-house.

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute a service Contract Agreement with Action Door for door repair services at various locations as needed for the 2009 Year in an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00.

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

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OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – PROMISSORY NOTE AND MORTGAGE – CANDACE MULLET

Program Administrator Joni Stusek reported these funds are not new money. They thought the furnace could be repaired but it couldn't so they had to return to Ms. Mullet to execute an additional amount for another mortgage which she was not real pleased about. Commissioner Young inquired what would happen if she wouldn't sign to which Ms. Stusek replied the department would seek legal counsel.

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute a Promissory Note and Mortgage with Candace Mullet for rehabilitation / down payment assistance for property located at 308 Wilson Mills Road, Chardon in the amount of \$2,450.00 under Grant #B-C-05-026-2.

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

**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - ARCHITECTS
CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE – SMOLEN E AND A – HISTORICAL SOCIETY
BATHROOM REHAB PROJECT**

Program Coordinator Rhea Dykes reported that this is one of the current Formula Program projects. Commissioner Jemison commented that he visited the area and was told that they were very appreciative and pleased of this work being done. Ms. Dykes reported that this project was much needed as there are a lot of people going through those bathrooms.

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Architect's Certification of Compliance with Minimum Standards for Accessibility by the Physically Handicapped form for Smolen E and A for the Geauga County Historical Society ADA Bathrooms Rehabilitation Project (B-F-08-026-1).

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

**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – THREE-PARTY
CONTRACT – PETERSEN CONSTRUCTION AND CONTRACTING INCORPORATED -
HISTORICAL SOCIETY BATHROOM REHAB PROJECT**

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute a Three-Party Contract with Petersen Construction and Contracting Incorporated for the Geauga County Historical Society ADA Bathrooms Rehabilitation Project, under Grant #B-F-08-026-1, in the amount of \$36,870.98.

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

**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – NOTICE TO PROCEED –
PETERSEN CONTRACTING – HISTORICAL SOCIETY
ADA BATHROOM REHAB**

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute a Notice to Proceed to Petersen Construction and Contracting Incorporated for the Geauga County Historical Society ADA Bathrooms Rehabilitation Project, under Grant #B-F-08-026-1.

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

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – LIQUOR LICENSE

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to concur with the Chester Township Trustees in not requesting a hearing on the liquor license

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requested by BFM Chester Incorporated located 8003 Mayfield Road, Chester Township (C TRFO 0348006).

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

OTHER

The Board reviewed upcoming events.

The Board briefly discussed the Kenston Lake Drive public hearing and the process of the meeting tonight. The Board mentioned they have received history, background information on the dam and procedures for the meeting.

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – MOVE TO RECESS

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to move into recess until 6:30 p.m. at which time they will conduct a Public Hearing on the petition for Ditch Improvement under Kenston Lake Drive at the Bainbridge Township Hall.

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

The Board recessed at 10:21 a.m.

DITCH IMPROVEMENT UNDER KENSTON LAKE DRIVE PUBLIC HEARING

The Board reconvened at 6:36 p.m. at Bainbridge Township Hall to conduct the public hearing on the Ditch Improvement under Kenston Lake Drive. Commissioner Young welcomed all those present and asked those present at the head table to introduce themselves: the Commissioners; Laura LaChapelle, A.P.A.; County Engineer R.L. Phillips; County Administrator Dave Lair; and Commissioners Clerk Claudine Kozenko. Commissioner Young stated the public hearing is now open and that the project was properly advertised. Township Trustees Linda White, Jeffrey Markley and Matthew Lynch were present at the meeting.

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to waive the reading of the advertisement for the Ditch Improvement under Kenston Lake Drive Public Hearing.

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

Commissioner Young acknowledged the viewing of the ditch under Kenston Lake Drive held on February 26, 2009 at 12:00 p.m.

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to acknowledge and accept receipt of an amendment to the petition for the Ditch Improvement under Kenston Lake Drive in Bainbridge Township, to include additional parcels and landowners identified and the inclusion of \$130.00 to cover the updated bonding requirement with the additional parcels received on January 26, 2009.

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

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to acknowledge and accept receipt of a second amendment to the petition for the Ditch Improvement under Kenston Lake Drive in Bainbridge Township received March 24, 2009 at 6:25 p.m.

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

Commissioner Young turned the meeting over to Mr. Phillips to give the Engineer's Report addressing the proposed petition to make changes to the Kenston Lake Drive culvert and the lake itself. Mr. Phillips read the following letter to the Board of Commissioners regarding the Kenston Lake Dam, dated March 23, 2009:

"The Geauga County Commissioners accepted Kenston Lake Drive in 1969 as a township road. This road meets all requirements that existed at that time. Those road regulations allowed an embankment to be construction as a dam with a standpipe attached to the road culvert to create a lake or pond. However, neither the county nor the township has any control over the level of the lake, nor do they have any responsibility for maintaining of the standpipe or any other appurtenances for the lake.

Since the late 1980's, the four dam owners have not been able to come together to address Ohio Department Natural Resource's (ODNR) requests for improvements to the dam. Recently, Bainbridge Township stepped in to try to bring the owners together to drain the lake, install a new road culvert, and provide restoration to the former lake area. The township offered funds for the new culvert and acquired a grant for the restoration work, but was unable to secure the balance of the funds needed from the property owners. Presently, the standpipe (used to maintain the lake level) is not working and the only outlet to the lake is the temporary pipe installed by the township near the top of the lake.

With this brief background, we now have a petition before the Board of County Commissioners from one of the dam owners to address the issues before ODNR steps in to force a solution. This office has a preliminary cost estimate to survey, design, drain the lake, install a new culvert under the road with headwalls, erosion protection and right-of-way easements for \$300,000; including legal and bond fees, but not including restoration of the lake area.

The existing culvert installed by the township will not tolerate a storm event of any significant size. I doubt it will handle a five (5) year storm without topping the dam and running across the roadway. The higher location of the existing culvert has greatly reduced the storage area of the lake. The existing situation is causing extensive erosion damage to the backside of the dam. A normal design standard for a road culvert is the use of a twenty-five (25) year system.

The existing conditions at this location create a risk to the public as follows. The topping of the dam with only minor damage to the roadway and embankment may cut off use of Kenston Lake Drive at the location of the dam. A topping of the dam that is catastrophic in nature may endanger life and property downstream of the dam. The value of those losses is expected to be in excess of \$600,000.

The current situation is unacceptable for the public safety and welfare.

I believe this project is feasible and the benefit of the installation of a new proper sized culvert and draining the lake will exceed the estimated cost of the project.

Preliminary Cost Estimate

<i>Survey, Design and Plan Preparation</i>	<i>\$ 15,000</i>
<i>Drain the lake</i>	<i>\$ 7,500</i>
<i>Easements</i>	<i>\$ 2,500</i>
<i>Contract Work</i>	
<i>Mobilization</i>	<i>\$ 10,000</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>\$ 2,000</i>
<i>Plug & fill Existing culvert</i>	<i>\$ 5,000</i>
<i>200 feet of 60" steel pipe</i>	<i>\$200,000</i>

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<i>Erosion protection</i>	<i>\$ 25,000</i>	
<i>Maintaining Traffic</i>	<i>\$ 3,000</i>	
 <i>Total</i>		<i>\$245,000</i>
 <i>Inspection</i>	<i>\$ 5,000</i>	
 <i>Bond Counsel & Legal Fees</i>	<i>\$ 15,000</i>	
 <i>Contingencies</i>	<i>\$ 10,000</i>	
 <i>Total</i>		<i>\$300,000</i>

Commissioner Young stated that if anyone, property owners or other interested people who have an interest in the proposed area and wish to speak to step forward to the speaker, state and spell their name and give their address. Trustee Markley commented that the township has worked diligently with the people of Kenston Lakes and added that this has been ongoing since October of 2006 but was spurred on by the flooding events of June of 2006. Trustee Markley thanked the residents who showed patience and a great deal of professionalism for the process, especially as it has been difficult for those on the lake that have recognized that the lake may “be no more”. Trustee Markley stated that the roadway and dam is compromised and it needs to be fixed. Trustee Markley thanked those willing to step forward today and those who tried to mitigate the situation. Trustee Markley added they hope to put this behind us all and that the road that crosses the dam will remain viable and not have to be replaced in the middle of the night, which is why the township is involved. Trustee Lynch stated that grant money is in place for restoration of the stream bed. Trustee Lynch questioned Mr. Phillips previous comment on the amount of the repair to the road and culvert as being \$200,000.00 but heard him say today it is estimated at \$300,000.00. Trustee Lynch stated that the grant funds are not designed for the road or culvert of the dam, just restoration of the stream bed. Mr. Phillips responded that the estimate the township is working off of is a year old or more and steel costs have risen tremendously. The original culvert estimate was for 180 feet and being on cautious side they included 200 feet as the boring is quite extensive for this size of pipe. Mr. Phillips added that there are some funds in the grant money for draining the lake and to be used on the culvert and making the bore that can mitigate the costs of the project. Trustee Lynch questioned the townships portion of the total cost that will be attributed to the township and the cost attributed to the homeowners. Mr. Phillips stated the Board has to approve a project before he can give estimates of costs to anyone. Mr. Phillips reported the numbers need to be high as you can always lower costs - you cannot raise them.

Judith Gooding (17845 Kingswood Drive) asked to have the assessment process explained. Mr. Phillips replied that that process will happen after the Commissioners decide to move forward with this project. At that point the Engineer's Office can move forward with a design with a more detailed cost estimate with plans and elevations. Who will be assessed will not be an issue and how much will not be an issue until they have a final set of plans. Ms. LaChapelle added that once the Engineer has a set of plans he will notify the Board of Commissioners and a final hearing will be set up. Ms. Gooding presented a map to which she pointed out areas of the dam, a holding pond, the four dam owners, an input creek and the culvert. Ms. Gooding stated that the four dam owners own the property to the middle of the dam and have been identified by ODNR request to remedy the dam and its problems so that an overflow would not occur. There is a sign clearly posted “no entrance”. When the lake overflowed under a heavy rainstorm a ditch was dug under emergency status to drain the lake level to a safe level. The Prochazka property was volunteered to provide access to the drain pipe and suffered a great deal of erosion to their property, and is a rather unpleasant site. The overflow flooded the lower Kingswood Drive as well. The Szumilak property has a gas well on it and is not particularly attractive. These are all the families that were requested by ODNR to take on the responsibility of the dam. Ms. Gooding stated that she believes the overflow pipe was compromised and failed. It was collapsed by someone which is the reason for the overtopping flooding and all its problems. Ms. Gooding added that she takes exception that the petition refers to it as an “age old” pipe and refers to it as a damaged pipe, which is where the responsibility lies. Ms. Gooding questioned the restoration of Lynton Creek and doesn't believe it could be restored to a creek. The amount of water coming into this lake bed is more than anyone anticipated. Ms. Gooding asked if the proposed boring and assessment of all the neighbors (who have not been told by ODNR that it was their responsibility) to have those fees passed on to them is an appropriate solution.

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An alternative would be to put in a culvert and lower the level of the lake and redefine the structure, as it would not be a dam, and have everyone safe. This would remove the access water and a holding pond could be constructed and these enormous fees could be avoided. Commissioner Young asked if it would be more expensive to correct it and replace the lake as opposed to having the creek re-established there. Mr. Phillips reported he did not know what all ODNR requested but one issue was the emergency spillway. Mr. Phillips added that the current pipe is too small for the watershed. By the time you put in a proper sized pipe and stand pipe and overflow, you would rapidly exceed the cost of just putting in a pipe. Mr. Phillips asked if Amy Brennan, Director of Chagrin Watershed Partners knows what the request was. Ms. Brennan stated she has been working with the township and property owners. The three primary issues from ODNR's prospective are: 1. the spillway was not in place at all, 2. the dam (class 2) does not meet the safety class, because of the road on top of it which would be compromised during breach of the dam, and 3. requirements in place for class 2 dams that are not being met in regards to the spillway. ODNR has documented in the past of the regular overtopping of the water and evidence of erosion on the downstream of the dam and comments about removing woody vegetation along the dam. Ms. Brennan noted the size of the pipe and the lack of the emergency spillway. Commissioner Jemison asked what the cost estimates were to restore the dam to ODNR specifications. Estimates were done in 1994 and 1995 in the \$100,000.00 range but it was determined they were not adequate to address all of ODNR's concerns.

Donna Patz, whose mother is Anna Schultz owns 17915 Kingswood Drive but does not live there anymore and she needs to sell the home as she is in assisted living. She cannot sell the home because of this standing pipe, they do not want the standing pipe on the property. It is private property and they want it removed. Ms. Patz stated that they have spent thousands of dollars on this issue already and her mother needs her money. Ms. Patz repeated they do not want it on the property and she wants it removed and her mother is clearly in her rights to have the pipe removed. If the state comes in they will not do river restoration and she believes there will be a mud mess and mass flooding. There was an informal meeting where they presented the \$400,000.00 cost with the understanding that liability would be shared for the dam. There was once person who would share the liability. Ms. Schultz stated that legally speaking, she cannot be made to fix that pipe or give up the value of her mothers' house because someone wants to keep the lake but does not want to share the cost of the repair or share in the liability. The responsibility of this lake has been piled up on her 92 year old mother for 52 years while there are other dam owners involved. Ms. Patz stated that the people around the lake do not have water rights to the lake. Ms. Patz stated that she is asking for mercy here. This was poor planning on the builders' part and never made right by the homeowners association and no one ever had the money to take care of the lake properly. It has become a threat to the community. Ms. Patz stated again, she does not want the pipe on her mothers property and it will be removed, whether by river restoration or by the work of the state. Commissioner Samide stated she understands the requirement of an aging parent and the Board understands this. Commissioner Samide inquired if the lake was brought back to river status would it be taken care of on the other side as at the viewing it appeared to have a lot of debris. Ms. Brennan responded that the grant included surveys on an estimate of how much sediment was on the backside of the dam on the existing lake so it wouldn't be a mud pit. Initially it was hoped to lower the lake slowly. The grant funds are based on water quality. Removing a dam on a cold water habitat stream was essentially the way to look at the grant proposal for a dam removal / river restoration. The pipe that is being proposed at the bottom of the structure would only pass a twenty-five year storm event. Any more than that the water would still back up in that valley as it would in any major road crossing that was constructed in this manner.

Ms. Gooding stated that her objection is that this problem is twenty years old. Ms. Gooding added that at a September 22 township meeting one of the dam owners mentioned that they had managed to string ODNR along for over twenty years and now someone else will help solve the problem. Her objection is there has to be some contribution from the owners as they benefit greatly by having this problem fixed and they can build a home on subplot 30 with a septic system. The downside is that the people who are not owners of the dam are having the cost passed on to them and that does not seem fair. Ms. Gooding added that she understands and added that she knows it is hard to pay your bills but to pass this responsibility on to her is not acceptable. Ms. Gooding asked if damages due to the erosion to the Prachazka property are included in the cost estimates for this project. Ms. Gooding believes it will raise the cost substantially and added that it is recoverable under this petition. Mr. Phillips responded that he did not look at the current erosion that is occurring but they looked at preventing further erosion at the outlet of the new pipe. Mr. Phillips added that it could be part of the design and detail design. Ms. Gooding

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mentioned the silt issue which has been mentioned if the lake is drained as it may clog the pipe. Ms. Gooding pointed out there is a major silt problem that is under-identified. Ms. Gooding showed on the map the flow of tributaries and other streams into a holding pond that is collecting silt. The silt pond is filled in and has grass growing in it. Ms. Gooding also showed on the map the flow of water and drainage and the astonishing amount of debris (dead raccoons, barrels, beer cans, wood chips, etc) that comes down from Route 422 as well as other sections of the township area. Ms. Gooding added that this lake area is a major drainage route for Route 422 and Route 306, the town hall and a strip mall. The river restoration has flaws including the silt issue. Ms. Gooding stated that it is good to remove an old, dead standing pipe but this process that is being put in place does not make sense to her. Commissioner Samide responded that Ms. Gooding has made the case that as the water flows and goes through the watershed it is not one person's cost, it is everyone's cost. This is similar to Eastlake as the water drains down in the direction of this lake area. The road has to be fixed and that is everyone's issue. Ms. Gooding responded that there is a big problem with the planning process and the first time the water comes rushing through it will destroy all the trees in the restoration area and does not solve the problem. There is still an issue with the silt coming through. Commissioner Samide added that in time everyone's silt from everyone's property from the whole watershed is draining until they all make it to the lake. Ms. Gooding believes this silt will compromise the culvert and retention basins need to be installed. She would like to see the homeowners keep their lake but would like to see this problem solved. Ms. Gooding added that the owners who have been asked to contribute will have the most to benefit since they would be assessed by ODNR and now virtually no money is coming from the owners of the dam. Ms. Gooding has a problem with assessing everyone else after the owners have stalled ODNR for twenty years.

Ms. Brennan stated there is still a lot of design work such as the size of the pipe under the road. They have been working with Soil and Water Conservation in getting a sediment survey completed to get an idea of how much sediment has to be dealt with. As they deal with the watershed they will look at break controls to withstand water flows. Ms. Brennan stated that the 1200 feet covered by the restoration grant extended into the four bay area somewhat but part of what they don't know is the topography under the lake. They do know there is a ravine in the lake bed. Ms. Gooding asked why the breached holding pond was not disclosed in the grant. Ms. Brennan responded that it was not an issue at this point in time as it was acting as a stream channel as opposed to a holding pond.

Being no further comments from the audience Commissioner Young closed the public hearing at 7:27 p.m.

Commissioner Young asked Ms. LaChapelle what the next step is. Ms. LaChapelle responded that the Board will deliberate and can take the time to do that. Commissioner Samide stated this problem has to be fixed and done quickly. Commissioner Jemison commented that he needs to take into account what all was said today to decide if the benefit is more than the cost of the project. Commissioner Jemison would like to see a decision made soon. Ms. LaChapelle stated that the Board is collecting evidence today, look at the Engineers report and decide the best way to solve this issue. The Board will deliberate and review the evidence and will provide a date and time to continue deliberation and make a decision. Commissioner Young added that the Board must decide what all the options are, what is the cost, who will pay for it, all of which will be addressed by the Board with the help of the Engineer and legal counsel.

Commissioner Samide inquired as to the time frame of the grant. Ms. Brennan replied that it actually began in May of last year. The grant is current until April of 2011 for a timeframe to complete the entire project including the restoration. The lake should have been drained at this point in time and working through the design process. They are behind what the grant commitment has asked for but there is the option of requesting an extension at a maximum of one year. Commissioner Young inquired as to the time line for the culvert installation. Mr. Phillips replied that the code suggests sixty days between the Boards' decision to proceed with the filing of the plans for the project. That is about the time they would need to create the plans. Mr. Phillips asked if there was a preference for Spring or Fall for this project. Ms. Brennan replied that Spring is not the prime time for this type of project due to the rains. Mr. Phillips explained the project itself is probably not more than thirty or forty-five days with a bid award around the first of August. Ms. Brennan added when the water is lower they would get a better idea to get a restoration strategy. Mr. Phillips suggests the lake be drained to see what is under the lake to better create the plans and see the original stream bed, if possible, even if it fills back in again.

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Commissioner Young suggested meet March 31, 2009 to continue the deliberation of this hearing but it was decided Monday would be better.

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to set the date of March 30, 2009 at the Bainbridge Township Hall at 6:30 p.m. for a public hearing to begin deliberation on the Ditch Improvement under Kenston Lake Drive.

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

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a) The County Engineer's 2008 Annual Report on the Condition of County Roads and Bridges in Geauga County, pursuant to O.R.C. 5543.02*
- b) Receipt of the Engineer's Report concerning the proposed vacation of Edwards Street (Section A – the unused portion) in Parkman Township.*
- c) Receipt of the Engineer's Report concerning the proposed vacation of so-called Burton Road in Parkman Township.*
- d) A monthly report filed by the Geauga County Sheriff's Office of an account of expenses for the prisoner transport for the month ending February 2009 as required by O.R.C. 325.07.*

MEETINGS

Tue., 3/24 Public Hearing on the petition for Ditch Improvement under Kenston Lake Drive at 6:30 p.m. at the Bainbridge Township Hall.

Thu., 3/26 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Thu., 3/26 Board of Revision meeting at the Appraisal Conference Room at 1:00 p.m.

Tue., 3/31 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Tue., 3/31 Connect Ohio meeting at 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER YOUNG ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 7:40 P.M.

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Geauga County Board of Commissioners

Tracy A. Jemison

Mary E. Samide

William S. Young

Claudine Kozenko, Commissioners' Clerk