

**Commissioners' Journal**  
**January 31, 2008**

*The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on January 31, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers located at 470 Center Street in Chardon Ohio.*

*It is declared and determined that all formal actions of the Board of County Commissioners concerning and relating to the adoption of all resolutions that were adopted in this meeting, and that all deliberations of the Board of County Commissioners that resulted in such formal action were open to the public and were in compliance with all legal requirements, including section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.*

*The President of the Board, Craig S. Albert opened the meeting at 10:04 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 January 29, 2008.*

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

**OTHER**

*County Administrator Dave Lair asked, at the Auditor's suggestion, if the Board had objections to doing financials on Thursdays instead of the current Tuesdays as meetings tend to be cancelled on more Tuesdays. The Board had no objection.*

**COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – RESOLUTION APPLYING PAVEMENT MARKINGS**  
**PUBLIC HEARING**

*Commissioner Young requested that "objection" be removed from public hearing requests as the Board welcomes positive feedback as well as the objections.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to grant permission to advertise the receipt of plans and to hold a public hearing for the Improvement of Various Sections of County Roads by Applying Pavement Markings, Year 2008 Project per Resolution #08-012 approved January 29, 2008. This will set a public hearing to be held February 21, 2008 at 10:15 a.m. Notice of this hearing will be published on February 3, 2008 and February 10, 2008.*

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

**COUNTY HOME – HIRE FULL-TIME ATTENDANT – JACLYN CLARK**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to hire Jaclyn Clark as Full-time Attendant (#1504) in the County Home effective February 6, 2008 at a rate of \$8.35 per hour. After the successful completion of a 120-day probationary period, the rate will increase to \$8.80 an hour. This will close the Full-time Attendant posting.*

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

**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – HOUSING SEMI-ANNUAL PROGRAM INCOME REPORT**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Housing Semi-Annual Program Income report for the period of July 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007.*

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

**OTHER**

*Commissioner Samide discussed some of the meetings she has held with current NOACA members in the Greater Cleveland Area as part of her Presidency of the NOACA Governing Board.*

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – OPWC APPENDIX E DISBURSEMENT – SHERMAN HILLS WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT CONVERSION PROJECT**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute Appendix E Disbursement Request Form and Certification #3 of the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) grant to release the State grant funds, for the Sherman Hills Wastewater Treatment Plant Conversion Project (P0003, OPWC#CG22J/CG23J), in the amount of \$159,825.28.*

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

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – HALLMARK EXCAVATING INCORPORATED CHANGE ORDER #2 – COUNTY LINE WATER COMPANY WATER SYSTEMS UPGRADE (ARROWHEAD FARMS) PROJECT**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Change Order #2 increasing the contract with Hallmark Excavating, Incorporated for additional services required by the City of Cleveland for the County Line Water Company Water Systems Upgrade (Arrowhead Farms) Project, in the amount of \$20,975.71. This request further extends the duration of the contract for an additional sixty-two (62) days.*

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

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – WORK LOCATION TRANSFER - BRANDON WILLMAN**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the transfer of Brandon Willman, Maintenance Worker from the McFarland Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant to the Merritt Road Garage to fill the Maintenance Worker Position currently advertised, at his current rate of pay, to be effective February 4, 2008.*

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

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES - ADJUST FULL-TIME MAINTENANCE WORKER WATER / WASTEWATER WORK LOCATION**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to grant permission to adjust the advertisement for the work location and hours of a Full-time Maintenance Worker Water/Wastewater Systems (#2330) to the McFarland Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant with a 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. variable shift. The position will remain posted until the vacancy is filled.*

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

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MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT – AMEND MOTION

*The Maintenance Department originally listed this as March when they meant May.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to amend the motion of January 29, 2008 to read:*

*“approve the Temporary Appointment of Micah Klein as Maintenance Worker (#1904) to be effective February 4, 2008 for up to a maximum of 120 days, ending May 31, 2008 at the rate of \$11.02 (the probationary rate for this position).”*

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

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – GENERAL STATUS INQUIRY FORM AND RELEASE BID / PERFORMANCE BOND – FIBER OPTIC NETWORK – MERRITT ROAD EXTENSION PROJECT

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute Allied Insurance General Status Inquiry – Contract Bonds form for the Geauga County Fiber Optic Network – Merritt Road Extension Project, acknowledging that the work performed by Cable Communications Incorporated has been completed. Further, this request releases the bid /performance bond for the same.*

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

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – 2008 EMERALD LEADER AWARD WINNERS RESOLUTIONS

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution 08-014 Honoring the 2008 Emerald Leader Award Winner Richard J. Frenchie.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Date: January 31, 2008*

*Resolution: 08-014*

**RESOLUTION HONORING LEADERSHIP GEAUGA  
2008 EMERALD LEADER AWARD WINNER RICHARD FRENCHIE**

*WHEREAS, each year since 2001, Leadership Geauga County has recognized community leaders who have significantly enhanced the quality of life in Geauga County. The Emerald Leader Award is presented annually to an individual, a business and / or a non-profit agency that exemplifies outstanding leadership by positive contributions through volunteerism, philanthropy, or innovation that impact the quality of life in Geauga County; and*

*WHEREAS, Richard Frenchie's hard work and dedication has led a team of nearly 1,000 employees, physicians and volunteers in the transformation of UHHS Geauga Regional Hospital into University Hospitals Geauga Medical Center; and*

*WHEREAS, the transformation involved more than a logo and name, the conversion was a result of a yearlong strategic assessment – referred to as Vision 2010 – of demographic trends and consumer healthcare needs in the greater Geauga County region; and*

*WHEREAS, Richard Frenchie has spearheaded an aggressive expansion program, involving major investments totaling more than \$40 million, to demonstrate the hospital's commitment to providing sophisticated services close to home; and*

*WHEREAS, Richard Frenchie's recent enhancements for residents in and around Geauga County include new Cardiac Catheterization and Vascular Laboratories, The*

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*Orthopaedic Center and expanded Emergency Center and a \$4.5 million surgery center expansion (which is known as the Richard J. Frenchie Surgical Pavilion); and*

*NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize the dedicated service of Richard Frenchie and the honor of being the recipient of the 2008 Leadership Geauga County Emerald Leader Award.*

*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 Albert</i>	<i>Aye</i>

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution 08-015 Honoring the 2008 Emerald Leader Award Winner Deborah O'Connor.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Date: January 31, 2008*

*Resolution: 08-015*

**RESOLUTION HONORING LEADERSHIP GEAUGA**  
**2008 EMERALD LEADER AWARD WINNER DEBORAH O'CONNOR**

*WHEREAS, each year since 2001, Leadership Geauga County has recognized community leaders who have significantly enhanced the quality of life in Geauga County. The Emerald Leader Award is presented annually to an individual, a business and / or a non-profit agency that exemplifies outstanding leadership by positive contributions through volunteerism, philanthropy, or innovation that impact the quality of life in Geauga County; and*

*WHEREAS, Deborah O'Connor was a member of the study group which explored the feasibility of beginning a community leadership program in Geauga County and became a founding board member of Leadership Geauga County in 1995; and*

*WHEREAS, Deborah O'Connor did not go through Leadership Class until 2000, she used her influence and expertise to ensure that the development of the new organization would be beneficial to Geauga County as well as effective in helping individuals grow in their professional and civic lives; and*

*WHEREAS, Deborah O'Connor served as board president, instituted a board retreat and a strategic plan which is still bearing fruit today. It is not an exaggeration to say that without her there would be no Leadership Geauga; and*

*WHEREAS, Deborah O'Connor is hard working, ethical, caring, reliable and a visionary; and*

*NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize the dedicated service of Deborah O'Connor and the honor of being the recipient of the 2008 Leadership Geauga County Emerald Leader Award.*

*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 Albert</i>	<i>Aye</i>

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a. *A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the week ending January 26, 2008 as required by O.R.C. 955.12.*

MEETINGS

- Sun., 2/3      *Commissioner Samide will attend the NARC (National Association of Regional Councils) meeting through February 6, 2008 in Washington, DC.*
- Tue., 2/5      **The Regularly scheduled Commissioners' meeting is cancelled.**
- Thu., 2/7      *The Commissioners will hold regular session.*
- Fri., 2/8      *NOACA meeting*
- Fri., 2/8      *HDAC (Health District Advisory Council) meeting.*
- Tue., 2/12     *The Commissioners will hold regular session.*
- Thu., 2/14     *The Commissioners will hold regular session.*
- Fri., 2/15     *Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting.*
- Fri., 2/15     *HDAC meeting.*
- Mon., 2/18     **The County Offices will be closed in honor of the Presidents Day Holiday.**
- Tue., 2/19     **The Regularly scheduled Commissioners' meeting is cancelled.**
- Thu., 2/21     *The Commissioners will hold regular session.*
- Tue., 2/26     *The Commissioners will attend Geauga County Safety Center 100% accreditation award by the Oho Bureau of Adult Detention at 1:00 p.m.*
- Thu., 2/28     *The first of the 2008 monthly economic development meetings will be held at noon.*

**BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER ALBERT ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 10:39 A.M.**

*Gauga County Board of Commissioners*

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*Mary E. Samide*

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*William S. Young*

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*Craig S. Albert*

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*Claudine Kozenko, Commissioners' Clerk*