

Commissioners' Journal
June 12, 2008

The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on June 12, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioner' 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 10:05 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 June 5, 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>

APPROVE FINANCIALS

Budget Officer Diane Arp reported the financials as including supplementals for the approved additional amount for the Prosecutor's Renovation; cash transfers included the monthly interest for Revolving Loan; an encumbrance is being opened for Castle Roofing for the Courthouse Roof and there are two Then and Now's.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution 08-084 itemizing the financials for the meeting of June 12, 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 TREASURER & COUNTY AUDITOR - MONTHLY STATEMENT OF COUNTY FINANCES

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to accept, execute and file the monthly Statement of County Finances filed by the County Treasurer for the month of May, 2008 pursuant to O.R.C. 319.15.

<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 accept, execute and file the monthly Statement of County Finances filed by the County Auditor for the month of May, 2008 pursuant to O.R.C. 319.15.

<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>

SHERIFF'S OFFICE – DARE 2007-2008 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Sheriff Dan McClelland reported that this DARE program grant was for salaries. With this grant the DARE program was provided to 21 different schools serving approximately 1,000 students.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the 2007-2008 D.A.R.E. Financial Statement cover sheet report.

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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>

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – RELEASE MAINTENANCE GUARANTY – PETTIBONE ROAD, SHOPS AT MARKETPLACE

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to release the maintenance guaranty for the Widening of Pettibone Road at Shops at Marketplace Project in Bainbridge Township in the amount of \$20,000.00 plus interest being held by the Board at Middlefield Banking Company (previously Sky Bank).

<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 ENGINEER'S OFFICE – BID AWARD – GRADE LINE INCORPORATED – SIDLEY ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to award the bid to Grade Line Incorporated for The Replacement of the Sidley Road Bridge (Structure #58-0.79) in Thompson Township in the amount of \$102,384.00 as they represented the lowest and best bid.

<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 ENGINEER'S OFFICE – ADOPT AMENDMENT

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to adopt the amendment to the Standard Specifications and Procedures for the Design and Construction of Subdivision Roads in Geauga County.

<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>

SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT – FIRST NOTICE OF VIOLATION AND STOP WORK ORDER – WHITE ROAD LLC

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to acknowledge the First Notice of Violation and Stop Work Order issued against White Road LLC owners of property located at 14999 White Road (Parcel # 04-150580) in Burton Township for failure to comply with Geauga County Water Management and Sediment Control Regulations (section 3.01A) as outlined in the attached "Site Inspection Reports" (sections 3.01A) and to request the Geauga County Prosecutor to enforce compliance by seeking an injunction or other further relief to secure the required compliance.

<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>

TRANSIT DEPARTMENT – ACCEPT RESIGNATION – JACQUELINE CONNETT

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to accept the resignation of Jacqueline Connett, a Part-time Driver, to be effective May 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>

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TRANSIT DEPARTMENT – CINTAS UNIFORM RENTAL SERVICE AGREEMENT

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Standard Uniform Rental Service Agreement between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and Cintas for uniform service for a term of twenty-four (24) months, in an amount not to exceed \$24,000.00.

<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 – RESCIND MOTION TO HIRE – THERESA PERRY

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to rescind the following motion of May 6, 2008:

“to approve hiring Theresa Perry as a Summer Help (#0101) employee at the County Home, to be effective May 19, 2008 through September 30, 2008 (or at the start of the school-whichever comes first) at a rate of \$8.25 per hour (first year rate).”

<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 SUMMER HELP – MICAH KLEIN

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve hiring Micah Klein as a Summer Help (#0101) employee at the County Home, to be effective June 18, 2008 through September 30, 2008 (or at the start of the school-whichever comes first) at a rate of \$8.50 per hour (second year rate).

<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 – JENNIFER HENDERSON

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve hiring Jennifer Henderson for the position of Fulltime Attendant (#1504) in the County Home, to be effective June 18, 2008 at the rate of \$8.35 per hour. After the successful completion of a 120-day probationary period the rate will increase to \$8.80 per hour.

<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 – EXTEND PROBATION PERIOD – BETH MERRELL

Superintendent Karen Decola stated that Ms. Merrell is a long term employee that switched to another position. Ms. Decola believes she needs a little more time to make the adjustment. Commissioner Albert asked Ms. Decola if the probation period were longer would it be beneficial to her. Ms. Decola replied it would not and feels the probation period is long enough.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to extend the probationary period of Beth Merrell, in the County Home for thirty days, with the consent of the employee and in accordance with Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 123:1-19-03.

<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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DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING #3 –
ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE TO UNION CONTRACT – ARTICLE TWENTY-FOUR

Business Manager Adrian Gorton stated that they have been trying to get something from the Union to spell out training and CEU's. There was an original Letter of Understanding to come up with a plan. It has been determined it was needed to be put in writing and included in future contracts.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the "Letter of Understanding 3" to the Communications Workers of America, Local #4340 to accept the additional language referring to Training, Certification and CEUs (Continuing Education Units) to Article Twenty-Four of the Union Contract and to further approve and authorize the County Administrator to execute this document.

<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 – LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING #4–
ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE TO UNION CONTRACT – ARTICLE TWENTY-ONE, SECTION 2

Mr. Gorton stated that there have been some grievances from the union based on overtime. The Letter of Understanding #4 will resolve some of those grievances regarding work continuation. Mr. Gorton added that he has been told, regarding a recent grievance that was given permission to go to arbitration, by the Business Director of Local #4340 that it will not be taken to arbitration and the deadline is up June 20th.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the "Letter of Understanding 4" to the Communications Workers of America, Local #4340 to accept the additional language being added to Article Twenty-One, Section 2: Overtime, of the Union Contract and to further approve and authorize the County Administrator to execute this document.

<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 – BILL SUGLIA EXCAVATING CHANGE ORDER
#1 – BROADWOOD WWTP PROJECT

Mr. Gorton reported that this change order is for items that came up as Bill Suglia Excavating was doing the work according to the specifications to which the department agreed to the needed additional work.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Change Order #1 increasing the contract with Bill Suglia Excavating LLC to recover costs of additional culvert and electrical work performed at the Broadwood Waste Water Treatment Plant Improvements Project in the amount of \$10,620.00.

<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 – COPY MACHINE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT AGREEMENT
– MT BUSINESS TECHNOLOGIES

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute a Contract Agreement between the Board of Commissioners and MT Business Technologies Incorporated for maintenance on the Gestetner DSm755 copy machine in the Commissioners' Office, for the period of three (3) years.

<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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COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – RESOLUTION ON THE OCCASION OF HUNTSBURG TOWNSHIP'S BICENTENNIAL

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution 08-085 on the occasion of Huntsburg Township's Bicentennial Celebration.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date: June 12, 2008

Resolution: 08-085

RESOLUTION ON THE OCCASION OF HUNTSBURG TOWNSHIP'S BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

WHEREAS, on August 19, 1808 Stephen Pomeroy and his family reached the end of an exhausting journey from Northampton, Massachusetts and arrived in what is now known as Huntsburg Township (Where Heritage Lives); and

WHEREAS, the pioneer family of eight became the first permanent residents of a large tract of forested wilderness that was inhabited only by Indians and wild animals; and

WHEREAS, On August 15, 16, and 17, 2008 present day residents of Huntsburg Township will mark the bicentennial of that first settlement with a three-day celebration that will include live music and entertainment, historical and pictorial displays, style shows, a festival dinner by the Congregational Church, car show, parade, golf invitational, softball games, old fashion fun and games, 2008 Queen contest, Amish bake sale, guided tour of historical buildings and their history, and a unique postal cancellation; and

WHEREAS, Huntsburg Township's Bicentennial commemorative activities also include a parade on Friday, August 15, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. with a greeting from the Trustees and local officials, followed by birthday cake, homemade ice cream and live music in the park; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Geauga County Commissioners join Huntsburg Township on this momentous occasion in celebration of their Bicentennial Celebration; and

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>

LIQUOR LICENSE – MY THAI – CHESTER TOWNSHIP

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to concur with the Chester Township Trustees in not requesting a hearing on the liquor license requested by My Thai Restaurant LLC at 8488 Mayfield Road, Chester Township (C NEW 6264830).

<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 – RESOLUTION – WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution 08-086 Proclaiming June 15, 2008 as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date: June 12, 2008

Resolution: 08-086

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GEAUGA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCLAMATION
WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY

WHEREAS, World Elder Abuse Awareness Day is June 15, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the Consortium Against Adult Abuse (CAAA) serving Geauga, Cuyahoga, Lake, Lorain and Medina Counties requested a resolution from each county proclaiming World Elder Abuse Awareness Day in their county to bring awareness of this serious problem; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Consortium Against Adult Abuse (CAAA) is to facilitate the identification, prevention and treatment of abuse, neglect and exploitation of elderly and vulnerable adults; and

WHEREAS, Consortium Against Adult Abuse (CAAA) is holding it's annual conference on June 13, 2008 and will announce each county's resolution; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Geauga County Commissioners join the Consortium Against Adult Abuse (CAAA) and do hereby proclaim that June 15, 2008 is World Elder Abuse Awareness Day in Geauga County.

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>

OTHER

Commissioners reviewed their calendars.

Jack Smith from Munson Township reported that Burton Floral and Garden will be the headquarters for demonstrations on wind energy turbines on Saturday and Sunday of this week. This lead to a short discussion on wind energy and other alternative energy. Carol Maver of Reward Walls discussed the economics and processes of cement housing and buildings. Ms. Maver was featured in Geauga Magazine. Ms. Maver mentioned that Premier Builders who recently built a cement house stated that he will only build cement housing anymore. Some states are already mandating that schools be built out of this cement product.

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to move into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel.

<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>

The Board reconvened at 11:29 p.m. No action was taken as a result of this executive session.

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – CDBG GRANT APPLICATION

With this recommendation Director Anita Stocker will create a grant application and the Board can execute the official application on June 19th. The recommendations are not official, in case the Board wishes to change their minds, until June 19th with the grant application. Catholic Charities will be changed to Middlefield Village as they will be the ones accepting financial responsibility.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to accept Geauga County Board of Commissioners recommendation on funding of the following grant applications for the CDBG Grant Formula Grant:

<i>Middlefield Village</i>	<i>(sidewalks improvements)</i>	<i>\$72,300.00</i>
<i>DDC Clinic</i>	<i>(continuation of DNA testing)</i>	<i>\$25,000.00</i>

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<i>G.C. Historical Society</i>	<i>(ADA existing restroom)</i>	<i>\$42,500.00</i>
<i>Community Development</i>	<i>(credit counseling)</i>	<i>\$25,000.00</i>
<i>Maple Leaf Comm. Residence</i>	<i>(rental roofing rehabilitation)</i>	<i>\$16,000.00</i>
<i>Ravenwood Mental Health</i>	<i>(ADA public reception area rehab)</i>	<i>\$8,000.00</i>

<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>

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a. 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 May 2008 pursuant to ORC 135.35(L).*
- b. A monthly report filed by the Geauga County Sheriff's Office of an account of expenses for the inmate meals for the month ending May 2008.*
- c. The County Engineer's Office Year 2008 Annual Sufficiency Rating Report and General Bridge Appraisal Report for Geauga County, pursuant to ORC 5543.20.*

MEETINGS

Fri., 6/13 NOACA 9th Annual Summit, 9:30 a.m.

Tue., 6/17 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Thu., 6/19 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Thu., 6/19 The Commissioners will attend the Annual County Home meeting at 12:30 p.m.

Thu. 6/19 The Board will hold a Public Hearing for The Asphalt Resurfacing of Fairmount Road (CH 16, Sections A & B) in Russell Township on June 19, 2008 at 10:15 a.m.

Thu. 6/19 The Board will hold a Public Hearing for The Asphalt Resurfacing of Chagrin Road (CH 9, Sections A & B) Bainbridge Township at 10:15 a.m.

Tue., 6/24 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Tue., 6/24 Public Hearing for the Portage-Geauga Juvenile Detention Center Tax Budget to be held in the Commissioners Chambers at 1:30 p.m.

Thu., 6/26 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

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BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER ALBERT ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 11:34 A.M.

Geauga County Board of Commissioners

Mary E. Samide

William S. Young

Craig S. Albert

Claudine Kozenko, Commissioners' Clerk