

Commissioners' Journal
January 21, 2010

The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on January 21, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers located at 470 Center Street in Chardon, Ohio.

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

The President of the Board, Mary E. Samide opened the meeting at 10:04 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE MINUTES

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of January 14, 2010.

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| <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> |

APPROVE FINANCIALS

Budget Specialist Heidi Delaney explained the financials as including Revenue Certifications for Board of Developmental Disabilities for the construction fund, operating fund and residential services fund and a Revenue decertification for the general fund in the amount of \$1,149,000.00; cash transfers include December 2009 unemployment charges, 1st quarter cost allocation payments from Water Resources and the Sheriff's Office; a contract for Lake County Sewer in the amount of \$724,480.00 for the McFarland Rehabilitation Phase 2 Project for Water Resources; one travel request for Department of Emergency Management; and a payment for Alcatel Lucent for the 800 System Microwave Update Project in the amount of \$100,001.00.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute Resolution 10-005 itemizing the financials for the meeting of January 21, 2009.

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| <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> |

ENGINEER'S OFFICE – UNIT PRICE CONTRACT – SIGNAL SERVICE COMPANY

Planning Engineer Michael Stone explained that the signal light there now is just a timed signal and is the oldest one in the county. The new signal will be a much smarter device to handle all four lanes in the area.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute a Unit Price Contract with Signal Service Company for the Traffic Signal Improvements Project at the intersection of Washington Street and Snyder Road in Bainbridge Township, in the amount of \$43,854.45.

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| <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> |

PLANNING COMMISSION – LEVELING NETWORK AGREEMENT AND LONG TERM WATER LEVEL MONITORING

Commissioner Samide asked Planning Director Dave Dietrich to talk about the water leveling network agreement. Mr. Dietrich stated that there are about twenty five wells that are manually measured and about six with instrumentation for a continuous readout. To continue the program in 2010 the Commissioners obligation would be \$24,000.00 for the continuation of the long term water level monitoring network for FY 2010 as recommended by the Geauga County Planning Commission. USGS will contribute about \$16,000.000 towards the project. This is the same amount as last year's agreement. The data is tracked and posted on their web page. Commissioner Jemison inquired if this information is overlaid in GIS fashion so results can be

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tracked over a number of years. Mr. Dietrich replied that the information is on the website and there is mapping in his office but they can upload any of this information to Access Geauga. Commissioner Jemison added that this is good information for builders and residents.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to authorize initiation of a long term water level monitoring network for FY2010, as recommended by the Planning Commission.

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| <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> |

PLANNING COMMISSION – ADVERTISE PUBLIC HEARING – AMENDMENT TO COUNTY SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to advertise to hold a public hearing on the proposed amendment to the County Subdivision Regulations to be held on March 4, 2010 at 10:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers. Notice of this hearing will be published on January 28, 2010.

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| <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> |

COUNTY HOME – RECLASSIFY PATRICIA COLLINS – FULL TIME ATTENDANT

Superintendent Karen DeCola explained that Ms. Collins is just moving into a full-time position.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to reclassify Patricia Collins as Fulltime Attendant (#1504) to be effective February 1, 2010, at her current probationary rate of \$8.60 per hour. Upon successful completion of the current probationary period the rate will increase to \$9.06 per hour.

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| <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> |

COUNTY HOME – HIRE SUBSTITUTE ATTENDANT - LEE VETTER

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve hiring Lee Vetter as a Substitute Attendant (#1504-2) in the County Home, to be effective February 1, 2010 at a rate of \$8.60 per hour. After the successful completion of a 1,000 hour probationary period, the rate will increase to \$9.06 per hour.

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| <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> |

COUNTY HOME – CLOSE POSTING – SUBSTITUTE ATTENDANT

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to close the posting for Substitute Attendant (#1504-2) in the County Home.

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| <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> |

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – REVOLVING LOAN FUND SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT – CDBG FUNDED LIST OF LOANS

Administrative Secretary Kelly Belconis explained that this is the annual revolving loan report that goes to the state showing how much was received, how much went to loans and what the balances are and this is done every six months.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund Semi-Annual Report and the CDBG Funded List of Loans for the period of July 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009.

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| <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> |

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – STATEMENT OF REASON FOR EXEMPTION FROM REAL PROPERTY CONVEYANCE FEE FORM AND BAINBRIDGE WATERLINE EASEMENTS

Director Doug Bowen explained that these four items are about the easements that Ohio Valley Energy Systems was required to get. The form is asking for the fees to be removed since it is being turned over to the county, which is standard procedure. The last three are the easements that were needed.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Statement of Reason for Exemption From Real Property Conveyance Fee forms for Permanent Parcel Numbers #02-414100, #02-054200 and #02-274800, for recording of the waterline easements.

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| <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> |

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute a Water Line Easement between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and Vincent C. and Josephine A. Calo for an easement on Parcel Number #02-054200 located at 17969 Kingswood Drive, Bainbridge for the operation and maintenance of the Bainbridge water line.

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| <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> |

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute a Water Line Easement between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and Glenn A. and Linda L. Wozniak for an easement on Parcel Number #02-414100 located at 17970 Kingswood Drive, Bainbridge for the operation and maintenance of the Bainbridge water line.

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| <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> |

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute a Water Line Easement between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and Ohio Valley Energy Systems Corporation for an easement on Parcel Number #02-274800 located at 17975 English Drive, Bainbridge for the operation and maintenance of the Bainbridge water line.

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| <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> |

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – SERVICE CONTRACTS

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute a service Contract Agreement between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and C.U.E. Excavating Contractors, LLC to perform general excavating services for the water section as needed at various locations within the department for the 2010 Year, in an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00.

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| <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> |

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| <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> |

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute a service Contract Agreement with Auburn Fence Corporation to perform fence repairs, replacement and installations as needed at various county buildings within the department for the 2010 Year, in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00.

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| <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> |

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute a service Contract Agreement with McDonald Equipment Company to perform generator service and repairs as needed at various county wastewater treatment plants for the 2010 Year, in an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00.

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| <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> |

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| <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> |

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – NOACA TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)
APPOINTMENT

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to appoint Christina Port as alternate for the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC).

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| <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> |

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – PORTAGE/GEAUGA DETENTION CENTER JOINT BOARD
OF TRUSTEES APPOINTMENT

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to appoint Carolyn Paschke to the Portage/Gauga Detention Center Joint Board of Trustees for the term ending May 31, 2014.

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| <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> |

EAGLE SCOUT – BRYAN SCOTT

Commissioner Young will attempt to make this presentation, providing it coordinates with his schedule of events.

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Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute Resolution 10-006 honoring Eagle Scout Bryan Scott.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Resolution: 10-006

Date: January 21, 2010

**A RESOLUTION HONORING BRYAN SCOTT 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, Bryan Scott, is a member of Boy Scout Troop 195, Chesterland, Geauga County, and has excelled in his search for knowledge, leadership, planning and community support; and

WHEREAS, Bryan Scott provided leadership at meetings and on campouts and has done an excellent job in all aspects of scouting; and

WHEREAS, Bryan Scott's Eagle Scout project consisted of securing the donations of a flagpole, flag and benches, organizing a work day for installation and conducted a dedication and flag raising ceremony at the Pleasant Hill County Home Cemetery; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners salutes Bryan Scott for service to his community and the Scouts of America; and

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 Young</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Jemison</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Samide</i> | <i>Aye</i> |

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – PUBLIC HEARING REHIRING OF JONI STUSEK- PROGRAM ADMINISTER

Commissioner Samide asked for a motion to waive the reading of the legal notice.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to waive the reading of the legal notice for the public hearing.

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| <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> |

Commissioner Samide opened the public hearing at 10:30 a.m. and asked Anita Stocker, Community and Economic Development Director to comment. Ms. Stocker stated she appreciated the Boards interest in the rehiring of Ms. Stusek and added that it will save their office funds. Ms. Stusek retired and Ms. Stocker was hoping that it would be possible to bring her back part-time. The office has been trying to fill the gap with the absence of Ms. Stusek. It has been tough as there are additional programs such as the EPA infrastructure program, counseling program, NSP program and all the foreclosure and bankruptcy classes. By Ms. Stusek returning and coming back 25 hours a week at her current hourly rate that would save the office \$35,500.00. While they have increased Ms. Balconis' hours to full-time, part of that savings amount is gone. Ms. Stocker added that her office is still understaffed with the additional programs going on. This is not adding staff, it is reassigning duties. If Ms. Stusek is rehired they do not have to train anyone, she can just come in and get going. Ms. Stocker reported they could train someone to do the work but they needed someone to function

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immediately. Ms. Stocker added that there were great applicants but not one could come in and be ready to go. Commissioner Samide inquired if Ms. Stusek mentioned that she would stay for awhile. Ms. Stocker replied that she believes Ms. Stusek will stay for two years, but most of the programs Ms. Stusek was working on will top out anyway, so this is a good solution. They do not have to invest in a lot of training. Being no comments from the public Commissioner Samide closed the public hearing at 10:34 a.m.

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to move into executive session for the purpose of discussing the compensation of a public employee.

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| <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> |

The Board returned from executive session at 11:13 a.m. The following action was taken as a result of this executive session:

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to authorize the re-hiring of Joni Stusek for the position of Part-time Program Administrator in the Office of Community and Economic Development, to be effective February 16, 2010 at a starting rate of \$22.13 per hour at 25 hours a week.

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| <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> |

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – CREMATION AND BURIAL – RODNEY SCHUMPERT

Commissioner Samide asked what the cost was. County Administrator Dave Lair replied that it was in the paperwork. Commissioner Samide stated it says \$575.00 and that is our responsibility for indigents.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute and/or initial the Cuyahoga County Corner's release and the State of Ohio Cremation Authorization and Disposition Form allowing for the cremation and burial of cremains at the expense of the county for Rodney Schumpert, an indigent individual, as authorized under O.R.C. 9.15 (C).

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| <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> |

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – AMEND MOTION – SET COMPENSATION FOR DRAINAGE ENGINEER

Mr. Lair explained that the pay was figured on 27 pays rather than 26 pays for this year. Mr. Lair added that the Engineer is not asking to be made whole on the first pay he just wanted it corrected for the rest of the year. Commissioner Jemison asked what the difference in pay is. Commissioners' Clerk Claudine Kozenko replied that it is \$12.00 per pay.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to amend the motion of 1-11-10 to set the compensation for the Drainage Engineer, R.L. Phillips, at a bi-weekly rate of \$346.82, to be effective with pay #2.

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| <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> |

OTHER

The Board discussed who will attend the Mental Health meeting and who will attend the Tourism event. Commissioner Jemison will attend Mental Health meeting and then go to the Tourism event.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a) *The 2009 Annual Inventory of all materials, machinery, tools and other county supplies pursuant to ORC 305.18 for the following: Community and Economic Development, Coroner's Office, Mental Health and Recovery Services, Records Office, Probate / Juvenile Court, CASA, Board of Elections, Water Resources, Dog Warden, Intensive Probation, Archives, Department on Aging, Building Department, County Home, DES, County Engineer, Metzenbaum, Planning, Transit Department, Treasurer, JFS and the Law Library.*
- b) *A monthly report filed by the Geauga County Sheriff's Office of an account of expenses for the prisoner transport for the month ending December 2009 as required by O.R.C. 325.07.*
- c) *A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the week ending January 13, 2010 as required by O.R.C. 955.12.*

MEETINGS

- Thu. 1/21 A public meeting for the proposed rehiring of Joni Stusek as a retirant and employment to the position of Program Administrator, to be held at 10:30 a.m.*
- Thu. 1/21 Storm Water Task Force at 11:15 a.m. in the Planning Commissioner meeting room, Bldg #1*
- Tue., 1/26 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*
- Wed., 1/27 Tourism Annual All Members Meeting and Silent Auction at 7:00 p.m. at the American Legion Hall in Burton*
- Thu., 1/28 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER SAMIDE ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 11:17 A.M.

Gauga County Board of Commissioners

William S. Young

Tracy A. Jemison

Mary E. Samide

Claudine Kozenko, Commissioners' Clerk