

Commissioners' Journal
January 3, 2008

The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on January 3, 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, Mary E. Samide opened the meeting at 10:07 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Young was absent from this session.

APPROVE MINUTES

Motion: by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of December 27, 2007.

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

COMMISSIONERS OFFICE – ENCUMBRANCES TO BE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2008

County Administrator David Lair reported that this action is to get purchase orders in place for the new year.

Motion: by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve the encumbrances to be considered by the Board of County Commissioners at their first meeting in January 2008, to be effective January 1, 2008.

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

APPROVE FINANCIALS

Budget Officer Diane Arp reported the financials as including five Revenue Certifications for various departments; supplementals are distributing appropriations as needed; three cash transfers – one is transferring the local match to the Criminal Investigator in the Prosecutor's Office; travel requests for three departments and the Clerk of Courts is opening her travel requests for the year for monthly meetings; and the remainder of the encumbrances are departments opening their blankets and contracts for the year.

Commissioner Albert about the payment to Municipal Court. Mr. Lair responded that the court will be paid what the Board approved in the Permanent Appropriation adopted last month.

Motion: by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute resolution 08-001 itemizing the financials for the meeting of January 3, 2008.

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

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – IMPROVEMENT OF FRANKLIN STREET RESOLUTION – BAINBRIDGE TOWNSHIP, CITY OF SOLON, BENTLEYVILLE VILLAGE AND CITY OF CHAGRIN FALLS IN CUYAHOGA COUNTY

County Engineer R. L. Phillips stated that this project is a joint county project that Geauga County is in charge of. Half of the match for this project will be reimbursed to Geauga County from Cuyahoga County.

Motion: by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to grant permission to advertise to hold a public objection hearing for the Improvement of Franklin Street (CH 35), per Resolution 03-191, a Federal aid project to review plans and

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specifications, to be held on January 24, 2008 at 10:15 a.m. Notice of this hearing will be published on January 7, 2008 and January 14, 2008.

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

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – RESOLUTION TO RECONSTRUCT THE HUNTLEY ROAD BRIDGE – HUNTSBURG TOWNSHIP

Motion: by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute Resolution 08-002 to Reconstruct the Huntley Road Bridge (Structure #115-0.39) in Huntsburg Township.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date: January 3, 2008

Resolution: 08-002

**RESOLUTION TO RECONSTRUCT THE HUNTLEY ROAD BRIDGE,
STRUCTURE #115-0.39 IN HUNTSBURG TOWNSHIP**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Geauga County has determined that the public convenience and welfare require the reconstruction of the bridge over Woodard Creek, and the grading, paving, widening, and draining of a portion of Huntley Road in the immediate vicinity of the bridge in accordance with Section 5555.022 of the Ohio Revised Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County that the public convenience and welfare require the replacement and reconstruction of the Huntley Road Bridge, Structure #115-0.39 in the Township of Huntsburg, County of Geauga by the removal of the existing bridge structure, installation of a new bridge structure at mile marker 0.39, and the grading, paving, widening, and draining of Huntley Road in the immediate vicinity of the bridge as required.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Engineer is hereby directed to complete necessary surveys, plans, profiles, cross sections, estimates of cost and specifications as are required for the improvement and to transmit copies of the same to this board at the time such plans are completed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that real estate will not be assessed to cover the damages, costs and expenses of constructing this improvement and that the compensation, damages, costs and expenses of constructing said improvement shall be apportioned as follows:

The engineering, right of way, construction and inspection costs shall be paid from local roadway improvement funding sources. The construction costs shall be paid from local roadway improvement funds and any federal aid or state grants which may be secured for the project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if preliminary designs for the project show the project cannot be built within the current right of way of Huntley Road, pursuant to Section 5555.09 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Geauga County Engineer is granted permission to negotiate with owners to secure the lands, right-of-way, easements or work agreements required for the improvement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of Geauga County is hereby directed, upon the filing of the plans, specifications, estimates, etc., for the improvement by the County Engineer, to schedule a time at a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the Board to review the copies of the surveys, plans, profiles, cross sections, estimates and specifications for the improvement with the Geauga County Engineer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of Geauga County is hereby instructed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Huntsburg Township Trustees and the Geauga County Engineer.

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

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COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – COUNTY ROAD MAPS

The County Engineer's Office presented the Board with the 2008 Geauga County Road Maps. Mr. Phillips pointed out that the map cover is a copy from the Western Reserve 1808 map and the roads are marked with the county highway numbers including the road section number. Mr. Phillips stated that in the past the Board was charging a dollar for maps.

Motion: by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to maintain the current \$1.00 pricing for the sale of the county maps.

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

DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – MUTUAL FUNDING AGREEMENT – FOR FAMILY FIRST COUNCIL

In responding to Commissioner Albert's question Social Services Supervisor Brad Welch stated this funding is for Family First Council.

Motion: by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute a mutual funding agreement between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, the Geauga County Job and Family Services, the Geauga County Board of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities, the Geauga County Board of Mental Health and Recovery Services and the Geauga County Juvenile Court for funding of the Geauga County Family First Council for the period January 1, 2008 through June 30, 2008. This agreement commits the Board of County Commissioners to providing a support payment of \$20,434 from the General Fund.

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

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT- PROMISSORY NOTE AND MORTGAGE – HEIDI LOVE

Program Coordinator Rhea Dykes reported this is the second mortgage on this property.

Motion: by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute a Promissory Note and Mortgage with Heidi Love for property located at 11334 Wilson Mills Road, Chardon in the amount of \$3,075.00 under Grant #B-C-05-026-2.

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

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – ACCOUNTING FORMS

Motion: by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Accounting Forms Authorization Form authorizing the listed individuals to sign their name and or the Elected Official's name or Department Head's name on the Department Head line on all accounting forms.

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

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – CHORES UNLIMITED INCORPORATED CONTRACT - 2008 LAWN MAINTENANCE PROGRAM PROJECT

Motion: by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute a contract with Chores Unlimited Incorporated for the 2008 Lawn Maintenance Program Project (Contract B – Southern locations) in the amount of \$8,300.00.

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

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – SERVICE CONTRACTS

Director Gus Saikaly explained that these service contracts are set up to get funding in place in case of emergencies within the department. The department gets two or three quotes before entering into a service contract. With the advice of legal counsel the service contracts began about eight years ago due to liability issues.

Motion: by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute a service contract with Yarnell Tree Company to perform tree removal services at various locations within the department for the 2008 year in an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00.

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

Motion: by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute a service contract with Fredebaugh Well Drilling Incorporated to perform well and well pump services as needed at various water facilities within the department for the 2008 Year in an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00.

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

Motion: by Commissioner Albert, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute a service contract with Scrub-A-Home Incorporated to clean the exterior surface of the Bainbridge Water Tower #1 and the Geauga County Service Center Water Tower #1 for a nine month period, in an amount not to exceed \$8,400.00.

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

OTHER

The Board reviewed their schedules and reminded the audience of the reorganization that will be held on Monday, January 7, 2008.

Commissioner Samide expressed sympathy for the Michael Prots family on the occasion of his sudden passing. Mr. Prots was the President of Community Improvement Corporation.

Ms. Mia Moore, First Energy Area Manager handed out copies of a First Energy Corporation press release stating First Energy has filed an application for the Geauga County Transmission Line with the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB). The application describes the preferred route (that largely follows cross-country route originating in Huntsburg Substation on Mayfield Road) and the alternate route (which largely follows a road corridor route adjacent to Clay Street). Hearings will be advertised and conducted in Geauga County as well as in Columbus.

The Board briefly discussed some of the boards and committees and which boards they will serve on in 2008.

The Board mentioned the Planning meeting and that the Board will all be out of town and cannot attend. Commissioners' Clerk Claudine Kozenko stated she had previously reported that fact to Planning Director Dave Dietrich.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a. The monthly financial report from the County Building Department for the month of March 2008.*

