

Commissioners' Journal
March 18, 2008

The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on March 18, 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 10:03 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 Samide, seconded by Commissioner Albert to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of March 13, 2008.

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

APPROVE FINANCIALS

Budget Officer Heidi Delaney reported the financials as including supplemental and appropriation transfers to redistribute funds where necessary; an appropriation transfer to sweep the balances of Workers Compensation accounts within the General Fund; a contract with the City of Chardon for police prosecutor services for the year 2008 in the amount of \$35,000.00 and three travel requests for various departments.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Albert to approve and execute Resolution 08-037 itemizing the financials for the meeting of March 18, 2008.

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

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – GEAUGA COMMUNITIES DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND UNITED WAY – 2008 LAWN MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

County Auditor Tracy Jemison explained that the Geauga Communities Development Corporation put this together using buying power, furthermore it is not subsidized by tax payer dollars. This was done in Lake County last year and was a very successful program. This is good for seniors who can no longer mow or afford to have their lawns mowed and it keeps the community looking good. Mr. Jemison reported that United Way is a partner with Geauga Communities Development. Mr. Jemison is the co-chair for Affordable Housing Committee which is where he heard about this program and believed it was a good program to try in Geauga County. It may not work in every township in Geauga County due to the population density. Another program that may come out of this in the future would be snow plowing. Mr. Jemison reported that last year the typical average cost for a senior in Lake County was \$10.00. The cost will be determined by the size of the lawn and it will be for the first 100 seniors applying. The seniors would make the direct payment - there is no transfer of money from any organization, it is simply buying power that would set the cost.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Albert to acknowledge the 2008 Lawn Maintenance pilot program for seniors sponsored by Geauga Communities Development Corporation and United Way, which, through the buying power of these agencies will allow seniors in the City of Chardon, Middlefield and Burton Villages, and Chester Township to receive quality lawn mowing services from qualified subcontractors at a greatly reduced cost.

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Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Young	Absent
	Commissioner Albert	Aye

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT – HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Director Anita Stocker explained they always place the mortgage first as they will not release the money without a subordination agreement, as instructed in the past by the Prosecutor's Office. Habitat for Humanity files their mortgage at the end, therefore Community Development has to subordinate. The program is set up so Community Development does not hold the first mortgage. Community Development Revolving Loan Fund puts in \$20,000.00 for the foundation and septic (etc., until the money runs out).

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Albert to approve and execute a Subordination Agreement / Real Estate Mortgage for Habitat for Humanity for property owned by John and Jessie Osburn and located at 14825 Hillcrest Avenue, Middlefield, under Grant #B-F-06-026-1, in the amount of \$110,000.00.

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Young	Absent
	Commissioner Albert	Aye

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT – MAHONING VALLEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Ms. Stocker explained that the loan was made to Welshfield Inn but there were significant overruns, being an older building, and the Revolving Loan Fund committee decided to let SBA (504 program) and Farmers National Bank put the money in. This request is allowing SBA to be first on the mortgage ahead of the Board of Commissioners and to add about another \$100,000.00 to their original loan. Farmers National will have to do the same thing.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Albert to approve and execute a Subordination Agreement / Real Estate Mortgage for Mahoning Valley Economic Development Corporation in connection with a Revolving Loan Fund, in the amount of \$125,000.00.

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Young	Absent
	Commissioner Albert	Aye

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – MCDONALD EQUIPMENT COMPANY – SERVICE CONTRACT

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Albert to approve and execute a service contract with McDonald Equipment Company to perform generator service and repairs as needed at various county wastewater treatment plants and pump stations for the 2008 Year in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00.

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Young	Absent
	Commissioner Albert	Aye

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – REJECT BIDS AND RE-ADVERTISE FOR BIDS – PARKMAN SEWER PROJECT PHASE 2

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Albert to reject all bids for the Parkman Sewer Project Phase 2 due to the withdrawal of the lowest bid was based on an unintentional omission of a substantial quantity of material as well as all other bids being in excess of 10% above the Engineer's estimate.

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Young	Absent
	Commissioner Albert	Aye

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Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Albert to grant permission to re-advertise for bids for the Parkman Sewer Project Phase 2 with a bid opening to be held April 2, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. Notice of this bid opening will be advertised on March 21, 2008 and the county website.

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

OTHER

The Board briefly reviewed calendars.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a. A monthly report filed by the Geauga County Sheriff's Office of an account of expenses for the inmate meals for the month ending February 2008.*
- 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 January 2008 as required by O.R.C. 325.07.*

MEETINGS

Wed., 3/19 Storm Water Taskforce meeting at 4:30 p.m., Planning meeting room, Bldg #1

Thu., 3/20 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Mon., 3/24 Geauga Trumbull Solid Waste Management District meeting at 11:00 a.m.

Tue., 3/25 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Thu., 3/27 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Thu., 3/27 The Commissioners will hold the monthly Economic Development work session discussion at noon.

Mon., 3/31 Annual Health District Advisory Council meeting at 7:00 p.m., Building #8

Tue., 4/1 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Thu., 4/3 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 10:55 A.M.

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Mary E. Samide

ABSENT
William S. Young

Craig S. Albert

Claudine Kozenko, Commissioners' Clerk