

**Commissioners' Journal**  
**July 28, 2009**

*The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on July 28, 2009 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 Vice President of the Board, Mary E. Samide opened the meeting at 10:00 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 Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of July 23, 2009.*

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

**APPROVE FINANCIALS**

*Fiscal Specialist Diane Arp explained the financials as including a Revenue Certification for N5 for the per diem funds to be used toward the re-roofing of the Youth Center and an alarm system; cash transfers include the funds for the exchange server upgrade in N3 and the per diem for the Youth Center roof; three requests for various departments and two Then and Now's.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute Resolution 09-137 itemizing the financials for the meeting of July 28, 2009.*

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

**PROBATE JUVENILE COURT – VICTIM OF CRIME ACT (VOCA) AND STATE VICTIM ASSISTANCE ACT (SVAA) – CASA FOR KIDS GRANT APPLICATION**

*CASA Director Christine Steigerwald introduced Ada Gilespie with the CASA program. Ms. Steigerwald reported that they were able to request more money this year - VOCA previously was \$22,511.00 (with a 25% match from the general fund) and SVAA was \$2,251.00. Ms. Steigerwald added that the stimulus grant they had applied for was not accepted but instead they will receive extra SVAA money in the amount they requested for the stimulus grant. This money is to be used to increase the volunteer liaisons' hours from 15 hours to 18 hours. Ms. Steigerwald added that the extra SVAA funds have the potential to be renewable as opposed to the one time offer of stimulus money. Commissioner Jemison inquired that if the match for VOCA was increased does the general fund have the money. Commissioners' Clerk Claudine Kozenko reported that she checked with the Fiscal Specialists and it is in the budget as anticipated.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and authorize the Vice President of the Board to execute the Geauga County's Victim of Crime Act (VOCA) and State Victim Assistance Act (SVAA) for CASA for Kids grant application, in the amount of \$33,016.00. This grant will receive \$24,762.00 from the Office of the Attorney General including a \$8,254.00 local match from the County General Fund and includes \$4,740.00 in SVAA funds. This grant (#2009VADSCE480 and #2009SADSCE480) is for the period October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010.*

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

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PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE – VICTIM OF CRIME ACT (VOCA) AND STATE VICTIM ADVOCACY ACT (SVAA) – PROSECUTOR VICTIM/WITNESS PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION

Elizabeth Frey, CASA for Kids Program Administrator stated that her grant did not go up this year. Due to a miscalculation last year, as she had taken over for the previous Administrator in the middle of the process, the numbers were incorrect.

*Motion:* by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and authorize the Vice President of the Board to execute the Geauga County's Victim of Crime Act (VOCA) and State Victim Advocacy Act (SVAA) 2009-2010 grant application for the Geauga County Prosecutor Victim/ Witness Program in the amount of \$58,433.75. As part of this grant, \$46,747.00 is being requested from federal VOCA funds (#2009VAGENE005) with a local match from the County General Fund of \$11,686.75 and \$4,461.00 from SVAA (#2009SAGENE005) with no local match. This grant is for the period of October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010.

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

ENGINEER'S OFFICE – CURRENT MODEL DUMP BODIES AND CUSTOM HYDRAULICS BID AWARD

County Engineer R.L. Phillips explained that they keep the trucks for eight years and then trade them in for about \$25,000.00. The trucks usually have less than 100,000 miles on them at that time. If they are kept any longer than that they will start to have to pay for maintenance.

*Motion:* by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to award the bid to Concord Road Equipment MFG, Incorporated for the Purchase and Installation of Two or More New and Current Model Dump Bodies and Custom Hydraulics Systems for County Cabs and Chassis, in the amount of \$49,876.05 (each), as they represented the lowest and best bid.

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

ENGINEER'S OFFICE – TWO CURRENT MODEL SINGLE AXLE DIESEL TRUCKS BID AWARD

Mr. Phillips commented that they would have normally bought these vehicles in December but they bought them early to beat the changes in diesel requirements. This is a savings of \$5,000.00 to \$10,000.00 per truck that they would have to pay if bought in January. There are thirteen routes so they try to keep seventeen trucks in the fleet at any one time. It will be eighteen months before they have to purchase vehicles again.

*Motion:* by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to award the bid to Cleveland Freightliner for Two (2) Current Model Single Axle Diesel Powered Trucks and Chassis, in the amount of \$94,976.00, as they represented the lowest and best bid.

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

ENGINEER'S OFFICE – RONYAK PAVING INCORPORATED BID AWARD - MUNN ROAD ASPHALT RESURFACING

Mr. Phillips reported that the estimate was \$450,000.00 so it came in substantially lower.

*Motion:* by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to award the bid to Ronyak Paving Incorporated for the Asphalt Resurfacing of Munn Road (CH 32, Sections A-C) in Auburn Township, in the amount of \$358,581.12, as they represented the lowest and best bid.

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

**ENGINEER'S OFFICE – KOKOSING CONSTRUCTION COMPANY BID AWARD –  
BURTON WINDSOR ROAD ASPHALT RESURFACING**

*Mr. Phillips reported that the estimate on this project was almost \$600,000.00. This project and the Munn Road Project were added because of stimulus money received in other places..*

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to award the bid to Kokosing Construction Company for the Asphalt Resurfacing of Burton Windsor Road (CH 14, Sections A-C) in Burton and Middlefield Townships, in the amount of \$529,157.86, as they represented the lowest and best bid.*

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

**ENGINEER'S OFFICE – RONYAK PAVING INCORPORATED BID AWARD –THOMPSON  
ROAD ASPHALT RESURFACING**

*MR. Phillips reported that they had to wait until the first of July to receive OPWC funds before they could execute the contract. Mr. Phillips added that the department has been doing between 20 and 24 miles of road improvements every year. They could not do 50 miles in one year but 30 miles would still be doable.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to execute a Unit Price Contract with Ronyak Paving Incorporated for the Asphalt Resurfacing of Thompson Road (CH 7, Sections A-E) in Thompson Township, in the amount of \$276,568.06.*

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

**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – REVOLVING LOAN FUND  
LEGAL BINDING DOCUMENTS – GEAUGA FINISHING LLC**

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute the following legal binding documents between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, Geauga Finishing LLC and Hartville Lumber and Millworks Company LTD for a Revolving Loan Fund loan in the amount of \$135,000.00 for five years (60 months) at three percent (3%) interest for the facility located at 15005 Berkshire Industrial Parkway Road, Burton Township, upon the recommendation of the Revolving Loan Fund Committee: (Promissory Note, Participation Agreement, Loan Servicing Letter, Security Agreement, UCC-1, Guaranty of Mark Pollari and Raymond Hall, and the Corporate Guaranty of Hartville Lumber and Millwork.*

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

**GEAUGA COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY – REIMBURSEMENT #2 – IMPROVE AIRPORT  
DRAINAGE; PHASE 3 CONSTRUCTION**

*Patty Fulop, Secretary/Treasurer/Manager reported that both of these motions today will be completing Phase 3 and Phase 4 construction. Now the far end is completed to grade and the close end completed but the middle is still open. They will be shifting funds over to the runway and then eventually going back to the middle section. Ms. Kozenko reported that she checked with the Fiscal Specialists on the match for this reimbursement as well and the funds are in place.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and authorize the Vice President of the Board to execute reimbursement #2 for the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Improve Airport Drainage; Phase 3*

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*Construction (FAA grant #AIP 3-39-0054-1108) in the amount of \$70,920.00 (Federal share is \$67,374.00 and the local match of \$3,546.00 from the Geauga County General Fund). This grant is for the period June 30, 2008 through July 15, 2009.*

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

**GEAUGA COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY – REIMBURSEMENT #1 – IMPROVE AIRPORT DRAINAGE; PHASE 4 CONSTRUCTION PROJECT**

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and authorize the Vice President of the Board to execute reimbursement #1 for the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Improve Airport Drainage; Phase 4 Construction Project (FAA grant #AIP 3-39-0054-1208) in the amount of \$40,800.00 (Federal share is \$38,760.00 and the local match of \$2,040.00 from the Geauga County General Fund). This grant is for the period ending July 15, 2009.*

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

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – RESOLUTION CELEBRATING 214<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY – OFFICE OF THE RECORDER**

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute Resolution 09-138 Celebrating the 214<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Geauga County Office of the Recorder.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Date: July 28, 2009*  
*Resolution: 09-138*

**RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE 214<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**  
**OF THE OFFICE OF THE GEAUGA COUNTY RECORDER**

*WHEREAS, The practice of recording real estate documents is based on law in England which traveled to the New World with the colonists. Public land registrars were appointed in colonial America to keep accurate records. A system of registration was necessary to prove the rights of persons who first made claims to property; and*

*WHEREAS, In 1787, the Northwest Territory was formed, encompassing all lands north and west of the Ohio River. A Recorder's office was established in each county. Ohio became a state in 1803 and although the state constitution did not provide for a Recorder's office, the first state legislature mandated that a Recorder be appointed in each county by the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas. In 1829 the Recorder's office became an elective position; and*

*WHEREAS, The County Recorder's Office has the task of keeping vital, complete, accurate, indexed and permanent records pertaining to ownership in real estate (land) and to all encumbrances and liens upon it. Without the work of the County Recorders Office in recording, safekeeping and organizing all documents in a competent and logical manner, it would be nearly impossible to purchase land and be assured of a clear title or to lend money with land as security; and*

*WHEREAS, These invaluable records are utilized by the general public, attorneys, historians, genealogists, and land title examiners; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners do hereby congratulate and celebrate the 214<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Office the Geauga County Recorder.*

*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 Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Absent</i>

**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 May 2009.*

**MEETINGS**

*Tue., 7/29 Board of Revision meeting at the Auditor's Conference Room at 8:30 a.m.*

*Thu., 7/30 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

*Tue., 8/4 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

*Thu., 8/6 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

*Mon., 8/10 Board of Revision meeting at the Auditor's Conference Room*

*Tue., 8/11 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

*Thu., 8/13 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

***BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER SAMIDE ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 10:48 A.M.***

*Geauga County Board of Commissioners*

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*Tracy A. Jemison*

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*Mary E. Samide*

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***ABSENT***  
*William S. Young*

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*Claudine Kozenko, Commissioners' Clerk*