

**Commissioners' Journal**  
**September 8, 2011**

*The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on September 8, 2011 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, Tracy A. Jemison opened the meeting at 10:02 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 September 1, 2011.*

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

**APPROVE FINANCIALS**

*Budget Administrator Heidi Delaney explained the financials as an Appropriation Transfer from the Contingency account to put appropriations in place for wellness expenses to be reimbursed by CEBCO grant; cash transfers for Medical, Dental and Life Insurance for September 2011; a purchase order to White-Allen Chevrolet for the purchase of a 2011 Chevy Colorado for the Department of Water Resources in the amount of \$18,988.00; travel requests for the Clerk of Courts, Common Pleas Court, Department of Job and Family Services, County Engineer and the Transit Department; and 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2011 Bed Tax disbursements to the City of Chardon and the Geauga County Tourism Council.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution #11-137 itemizing the financials for the meeting of September 8, 2011.*

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

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR FOR TAX YEAR 2011 (2012 COLLECTION YEAR)**

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution #11-138 Accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor for Tax Year 2011 (2012 Collection Year).*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution: 11-138*  
*Date: September 8, 2011*

*Tax Year 2011 (2012 Collection Year)*

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED  
BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX  
LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR**

**(BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS)**  
*Revised Code, Sections 5705.34, 5705.35*

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The Board of County Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio, met in regular session on the 8th day of September, 2011 at the office of the Board of County Commissioners with the following members present:

Tracy A. Jemison, President  
William S. Young  
Mary E. Samide

WHEREAS, This Board of County Commissioners in accordance with the provisions of law has previously adopted a Tax Budget for the next succeeding fiscal year commencing on January 1st, 2012; and

WHEREAS, The Budget Commission of Geauga County, Ohio, has certified its action thereon to this Board together with an estimate by the County Auditor of the rate of each tax necessary to be levied by this Board, and what part thereof is without, and what part within the ten mill tax limitation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of County Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio, that the amounts and rates, as determined by the Budget Commission in its certification, be and the same are hereby accepted;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That there be and is hereby levied on the tax duplicate of said County the rate of each tax necessary to be levied within and without the ten mill limitation as follows:

SCHEDULE A										
SUMMARY OF AMOUNTS REQUIRED FROM GENERAL PROPERTY TAX APPROVED BY BUDGET COMMISSION, AND COUNTY AUDITORS ESTIMATED TAX RATES										
FUND	Amount to Be Derived from Levies Inside 10 Mill Limitation				Amount Approved by Budget Commission Outside 10 Mill Limitation				County Auditor's Estimate of Tax Rate to Be Levied	
									Inside 10 Mill Limit	Outside 10 Mill Limit
	Column II				Column IV				V	VI
General Fund (A)	7	651	591	00					2.50	
Road & Bridge Fund (D)					3	129	625	00		2.50
District Board of Health (E)						612	164	00		0.20
General Bond Retirement (O1G)			0	00					0.00	
Senior Citizens Special Levy Fund (T88)					3	105	096	00		1.00
Child Welfare Services Special Levy Fund (SS)					2	151	280	00		0.70
Mental Health & Clinics Special Levy Fund (AA)					3	684	058	00		1.20
Mental Retardation Special Levy (Metzenbaum) (S03)					9	113	238	00		3.30
Gauga County Public Library Special Levy Fund					5	638	345	00		2.00
Fund										
Fund										
Fund										
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Fund										
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Fund										
TOTAL	7	651	591	00	27	433	806	00	2.50	10.90

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SCHEDULE B LEVIES OUTSIDE 10 MILL LIMITATION, EXCLUSIVE OF DEBT LEVIES					
FUND	Maximum Rate Authorized to Be Levied	County Auditor's Estimate of Yield of Levy <small>(Carry to Schedule A, Column II)</small>			
General Fund: Current expense levy authorized by voters on not to exceed _____ years					
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General Fund: Current expense levy authorized by voters on not to exceed _____ years					
<b>Total General Fund outside 10 mill Limitation</b>					
Childrens Services Fund: Levy authorized by voters on November 2, 2010 not to exceed _____ 5 _____ years	0.70	2	151	280	00
Mental Health Fund: Levy authorized by voters on November 03, 2009 not to exceed _____ 5 _____ years	0.70	2	149	033	00
Metzenbaum Fund: Levy authorized by voters on November 4, 2008 not to exceed _____ continuing _____ years	3.30	9	113	238	00
Health District Fund: Levy authorized by voters on November 4, 2008 not to exceed _____ 5 _____ years	0.20		612	164	00
Road & Bridge Fund: Levy authorized by voters on November 2, 2010 not to exceed _____ 5 _____ years	2.50	3	129	625	00
Geauga County Library Fund: Levy authorized by voters on November 5, 2007 not to exceed _____ continuing _____ years	1.00	2	829	338	00
Mental Health Fund: Levy authorized by voters on November 6, 2007 not to exceed _____ 5 _____ years	0.50	1	535	025	00
Senior Citizens Fund: Levy authorized by voters on November 3, 2009 not to exceed _____ 5 _____ years	1.00	3	105	096	00
Geauga County Library Fund: Levy authorized by voters on November 2, 2010 not to exceed _____ continuing _____ years	1.00	2	809	007	00
Fund: Levy authorized by voters on not to exceed _____ years					

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commissioners’ Clerk of this Board be and is hereby directed to certify a copy of this resolution to the County Auditor of said County.

Roll Call Vote:            Commissioner Samide            Aye  
                                 Commissioner Young            Aye  
                                 Commissioner Jemison            Aye

COMMISSIONERS’ OFFICE – SET 2011 BUDGET HEARINGS

Motion:            by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to set the 2011 budget hearings for Geauga County Offices. The budget hearings will be held in the Commissioners Office at 470 Center Street, Building #4 in Chardon.

September					
Time	Thu – 15		Tues – 27	Thu – 29	
11:00*			Treasurer*		
1:00	Veterans		Law Library	Municipal Court	
1:45	Bd of Elections		Comm Dev	Transit	
2:30	Building		Sheriff	OSU Ext	
3:15	Dog Warden County Home		DES	Maintenance	
4:00			Available	Available	

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October					
Time	Tue - 4	Thu - 6	Thu - 13	Thu - 20	Thu - 27
1:00	Clerk of Courts	Auditor / ADP	Airport	Prosecutor	Soil & Water
1:45	JFS	Bd of DD	Coroner	Juvenile Court	Mental Health
2:30	Planning	Aging	Recorder	Water Resources	Available
3:15	Archives	Engineer	Public Defender	Com Pleas Court	Available
4:00	BOCC	Available	Available	Court Technology	Available

Roll Call Vote:           Commissioner Samide           Aye  
                                  Commissioner Young           Aye  
                                  Commissioner Jemison       Aye

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – CHANGE ORDER #1 – AM DOOR AND SUPPLY COMPANY – MAPLE LEAF COMMUNITY RESIDENCES WINDOW AND PATIO DOOR REPLACEMENTS

Program Administrator Joni Stusek explained that the Maple Leaf Community Residences Windows and Doors was a formula grant project for this year. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) requires that we verify that there are no lead issues in the homes. Ms. Stusek stated that when the project was bid the contractor bidding needed to include the lead remediation in the contract with the understanding that if it wasn't needed it would be a deduction. Ms. Stusek stated that a window in one of the homes has been missed by the contractor and one other window had some issues that needed to be fixed. Ms. Stusek explained that the amount given of the formula grant was \$25,000.00 and Maple Leaf was paying for the difference of the \$29,501.00 and the difference between the deduction for the lead remediation and the increase for the windows is a difference of \$1,457.00 and that is what the change order is for.

Motion:                   by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute Change Order #1 decreasing the contract with AM Door and Supply Company and increasing the contract time by twenty-two (22) calendar days, making the new date for completion September 23, 2011 for the Maple Leaf Community Residences Window and Patio Door Replacements for Five (5) Houses, under Grant #B-F-10-1AZ-1 in the amount of \$1,457.00.

Roll Call Vote:           Commissioner Young           Aye  
                                  Commissioner Jemison       Aye  
                                  Commissioner Samide       Aye

DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES – APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT – STATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMITTEE (SERC) AND LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)

Deputy Director of Planning Brian Laney explained that Mr. Marion had been on this committee in the past and that Mr. Decatur would also like to join, so these are the two additional applications today. Mr. Laney expressed that Information Technology (IT) is always good to have.

Motion:                   by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute Application for Appointment for the following individuals to the State Emergency Response Committee (SERC) for appointment/reappointment to the Geauga County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) for the period August 15, 2011 through August 14, 2013.

Stephen Decatur, Telecommunication/IT                   Community Group / Other  
Lou Marion, Geographic Information System (GIS)   Community Group / Other

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Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Young	Aye
	Commissioner Jemison	Aye
	Commissioner Samide	Aye

**MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT –HIRE KYLE H. ASBURY – FULL-TIME MAINTENANCE WORKER (#1904)**

*Director Glen Vernick explained that Mr. Newsome had gone back over the applications and interview notes from the previous hire and chose Mr. Asbury to fill the vacancy from Mr. Hall's resignation. Mr. Asbury has a good background having attended Auburn Career Center.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve hiring Kyle H. Asbury for the position of Full-time Maintenance Worker (#1904) to be effective September 19, 2011 at a rate of \$11.69 per hour. After the successful completion of a 180 day probationary period the rate will increase to \$12.31 per hour.*

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Young	Aye
	Commissioner Jemison	Aye

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – FIRSTENERGY SOLUTIONS CORP. CUSTOMER SUPPLY AGREEMENT AND FIXED PRICE PRICING ATTACHMENT – FIXED RATE ENERGY SUPPLY FOR ALL WATER AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANTS**

*Director Doug Bowen explained that over the last year they had a variety of interest from suppliers in getting their department to sign up for an energy program. Mr. Bowen stated that their annual electric bill is \$900,000.00 a year and with the new program through FirstEnergy they will see a significant savings. Mr. Bowen stated that the average rate they currently have is 7.9 per kWh and this three year contract will be for 5.35 per kWh, giving them a savings of about \$375,000.00 a year. The Commissioners inquired on whether the contact information could be given to Mr. Vernick to look at getting the same rate for the other county buildings, especially referring to the safety center. Mr. Bowen stated that the information was being given to Mr. Vernick and hoped that something could be worked out.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute the FirstEnergy Solutions Corp. Customer Supply Agreement and the Fixed Price Pricing Attachment between FirstEnergy Solutions Corp. and the Geauga County Department of Water Resources for competitive energy supply at a fixed rate per kWh for a three year period for all Water and Wastewater Treatment Plants.*

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Young	Aye
	Commissioner Jemison	Aye

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – HIRE ELIZABETH HECKMAN - ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY (#2319)**

*Mr. Bowen stated that they had interviewed eight people for this position. Mr. Bowen explained that Ms. Heckman had previously worked for the Sheriff's Office and the Humane Society but had recently moved back into the area and was looking for something closer to home. Mr. Bowen stated that Ms. Heckman seemed like a good fit and that she has a great computer background.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve hiring Elizabeth Heckman for the position of Administrative Secretary (#2319) to be effective September 12, 2011 at a rate of \$11.64 per hour. After the successful completion of a 180 day probationary period the rate will not increase.*

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Young	Aye
	Commissioner Jemison	Aye

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COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – RESOLUTIONS HONORING MUNSON NOTABLES GEORGE W. COLLINS II AND JACK L. SCHINNESS

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution #11-139 Honoring Munson Notable George W. Collins II.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution: 11-139*

*Date: September 8, 2011*

*A RESOLUTION HONORING MUNSON NOTABLE, GEORGE W. COLLINS II*

*WHEREAS; George William Collins II was born July 18, 1937 in Waukegan, Illinois; while growing up he was a Boy Scout and achieved the rank of Eagle Scout, along with playing the baritone horn in high school; and*

*WHEREAS; George W. Collins II attended Princeton where he majored in Astronomy and Physics, having then went on to Madison where he attended the University of Wisconsin and completed his graduate degree in the shortest time ever taken at that time; and*

*WHEREAS; George W. Collins II met his wife during his last year at Madison and after they married went on to teach theoretical astrophysics at Ohio State until he choose to leave and went to teach at Case Western Reserve University and moved in 1991 into their current home in Munson Township; and*

*WHEREAS; George W. Collins II offered his services and held a position for the zoning commission in the township, is currently a member of the Township CERT Team, and is a trustee at large for the Chagrin Watershed Partners; and*

*WHEREAS; George W. Collins II played an important role in securing Beaver Creek for the Township and with Observatory Park for the Geauga Park District; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Geauga County Board of County Commissioners recognizes and honors George W. Collins II for his dedication, devotion and service to Munson Township as well as Geauga County; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution shall become a permanent record of the Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio.*

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

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution #11-140 Honoring Munson Notable Jack L. Schinness.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution: 11-140*

*Date: September 8, 2011*

*A RESOLUTION HONORING MUNSON NOTABLE, JACK L. SCHINNESS*

*WHEREAS; Jack L. Schinness was born January 15, 1936 in Cleveland, Ohio, grew up in Mayfield Heights playing baseball, camping and fishing on the Chagrin River and graduated from Mayfield High School in 1953; and*

*WHEREAS; Jack L. Schinness served his country for six years in the Naval Reserves and two years in the Army Artillery, attended FENN College, now Cleveland State and became a Manufacturing Engineer along with being a founding member of the Cleveland Carbide Society; and*

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*WHEREAS; Jack L. Schinness met and married his wife Sandy with whom he will celebrate fifty-three (53) years with in October, moving to Munson in 1962 as they felt it was a wonderful location to raise their children, Scott, Kelly, Craig, Todd, Sean, Adam, Eathan, and Cadie, along with their eight grandchildren; and*

*WHEREAS; Jack L. Schinness enjoyed being a YMCA Indian Guide and a part of the Munson Baseball Commission where he coached "T"ball, baseball, softball and help with care and maintenance of the baseball and softball fields for almost twenty years; and*

*WHEREAS; Jack L. Schinness currently enjoys woodworking, making maple syrup,, driving a pony cart of the Geauga County Fair and civil war re-enactment; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Geauga County Board of County Commissioners recognizes and honors Jack L. Schinness for his dedication, devotion and service to Munson Township as well as Geauga County; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution shall become a permanent record of the Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio.*

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

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

- a) The Monthly Financial Report from the County Building Department for the month of August 2011.*

**OTHER**

*The Board reviewed upcoming events.*

**MEETINGS**

*Fri., 9/9 NOACA meeting at 10:00 a.m.*

*Sun., 9/11 The Commissioners will hold a Patriot Day Remembrance Observance marking the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, beginning at 8:30 a.m. on the lawn of the Courthouse on Chardon square.*

*Sun., 9/11 St. Helen Church, Newbury – Celebration Mass for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Helen School, 11:00 a.m.*

*Mon., 9/12 Board of Revision*

*Tues., 9/13 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

*Tues., 9/13 Notable Munson Residents will be honored by Munson Township Trustees at Notre Dame Educational Center Auditorium at 7:00 p.m.*

*Tues., 9/13 The Planning Commission meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Planning Commission meeting room, Bldg. #1C, 470 Center Street – has been cancelled.*

*Thu., 9/15 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

*Thu., 9/15 Budget Hearings*

*Sat., 9/17 Party in the Pit, Best Sand Corporation, 12:00 – 5:00 p.m.*

*Sat., 9/17 Passport to the World Habitat for Humanity Fundraiser, 6:30 p.m.*

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**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED REHIRING OF RETIRANT  
TIMOTHY WENZEL TO THE POSITION OF TEMPORARY INTERMITTENT LABORATORY  
TECHNICIAN (#2307)**

*Motion:* by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to waive the reading of the legal notice.

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

*Commissioner Jemison opened the Public Hearing at 10:22 a.m. Commissioner Jemison stated that Mr. Wenzel had retired about a month ago and would like to come back to help cover as the department is short handed due to recent retirements and cover during vacations. Mr. Bowen stated that Mr. Wenzel has been retired for five weeks and is really enjoying it. Mr. Wenzel stated that he would like to come back and help out for the next year to cover a day or two when needed. Mr. Bowen expressed that they felt it wouldn't be more than one or two times a month to cover when Ms. Feigle is at a seminar or off for vacation. After no further comments or questions, Mr. Jemison closed the public hearing at 10:24 a.m.*

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – HIRE TIMOTHY WENZEL – TEMPORARY  
INTERMITTENT LABORATORY TECHNICIAN**

*Motion:* by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve hiring Timothy Wenzel for the position of Temporary Intermittent Laboratory Technician (#2307) to be effective October 4, 2011 at a rate of \$21.51 per hour.

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

***BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER  
SAMIDE ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 10:25 A.M.***

*Geauga County Board of Commissioners*

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*Tracy A. Jemison*

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*William S. Young*

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*Mary E. Samide*

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*Christine Blair, Commissioners' Clerk*