

Commissioners' Journal
September 16, 2008

The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on September 16, 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 10:06 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 11, 2008.

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| <i>Roll Call Vote:</i> | <i>Commissioner Samide</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Young</i> | <i>Aye</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Albert</i> | <i>Abstain*</i> |

** Commissioner Albert was absent from this session.*

APPROVE FINANCIALS

Budget Officer Heidi Delaney reported the financials as including supplemental and appropriation transfer to redistribute appropriations where necessary; cash transfers for unemployment and August phone charges; a purchase order for the Main Market Road property pertaining to the Parkman Sewer Project in the amount of \$98,000.00; a payment to the Geauga County Veterans for the pass through grant from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources for the Veterans memorial in the amount of \$25,000.00 and six travel requests for various departments.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution 08-134 itemizing the financials for the meeting of September 11, 2008.

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

COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE – PUBLIC DEPOSITORIES

There was a discussion on the current financial situation in the country and the take over of various financial institutions.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute Resolution 08-135 designating the following financial institutions as Geauga County's Public Depositories of active funds or any part thereof or interim funds in the amount of \$75,000,000.00 in accordance with O.R.C. 135.33 and to further execute (and /or authorize the President of the Board to execute) the depository applications, effective October 12, 2008 through October 11, 2012:

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| <i>Huntington National Bank</i> | <i>The Middlefield Banking Company</i> |
| <i>First Merit Corporation</i> | <i>Key Bank</i> |
| <i>Charter One</i> | <i>Chase Bank</i> |
| <i>National City Bank</i> | <i>Cortland Savings and Banking Company</i> |

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

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COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE – RELEASE BID BONDS

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the release of the bid bond for Manatron Incorporated for The Professional Services Related to an Upgraded Real Estate and Appraisal System Project, as all specifications have been met.

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

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the release of the bid bond for Pictometry International Corporation for The Development of Digital Ortho-Photography Project (January 23, 2008), as all specifications have been met.

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

SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT – FINDING OF VIOLATION – PARKMAN INDUSTRIAL BUILDING 50 SITE

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to issue a finding of violation against Parkman Industrial Building 50 site located in Parkman Township for failure to comply with Geauga County Water Management and Sediment Control Regulations as outlined in the attached "Site Inspection Report" (section 7.04, 7.06) and to forward the "Finding of Violation" to the Geauga County Prosecutor for further action as necessary to secure required compliance.

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

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – RELEASE BID BONDS

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the release of the bid bond for DiNardo Builders for the Renovation of the Pleasant Hill County Home Two-story Porch Project as all specifications have been met.

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

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the release of the bid bond for Ashtabula Iron and Metal Company for the Thompson School Demolition Project as all specifications have been met.

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

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the release of the bid bond for Petersen Construction and Contracting Incorporated for the Public Rehabilitation of Geauga County Senior Center Pavilion two (2) ADA Bathrooms Project as all specifications have been met.

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

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the release of the bid bond for Petersen Construction and Contracting Incorporated

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for the Public Rehabilitation of two (2) Library Entrances – Geauga West Library and Bainbridge Library Project as all specifications have been met.

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

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – LOAN RESOLUTION BULLETIN AND GRANT AGREEMENT – THOMPSON SEWER PROJECT

Directly Gus Saikaly stated these documents set aside funds in case this project actually goes forward. The money is not actually being borrowed now; the obligation doesn't start until funds are drawn from this account. Mr. Saikaly stated that this is too much of a loan for this project and will have to be brought down considerably. The department is still searching for other funds for this project. Commissioner Albert asked what the coverage for this project would be and why not include more of an area. Mr. Saikaly reported it is too expensive as the larger the area the bigger the system and the larger the cost. Mr. Saikaly added the property owners would be saddled with assessments that would be too expensive. In the past the department has tried the "build it and they will come" approach and it has not worked. The problem area in Thompson is right around the square and this project focuses on fixing that problem along with a small area around the square. The system will allow for expansion as necessary.

The Board inquired as to when Mangia Mangia Restaurant in Newbury will tie-in to the sewers. Mr. Saikaly reported the restaurant was given the go-ahead and the department is waiting on them.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Loan Resolution (RUS Bulletin 1780-27) and the Water or Waste System Grant Agreement USDA Rural Utilities Service (RUS-Bulletin 1780-12) with the United States Department of Agriculture as part of the financial assistance procedure for the Thompson Sewer Project (P0310).

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

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

Mr. Saikaly reported that Mr. McMillan is an excellent resource. This agreement will allow the three year collection of GPS information to be available to the field people with easy access. Mr. McMillan is an employee of the Planning Commission and also teaches in Lake County.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and execute an Agreement for Professional Services between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and Eric R. McMillan to provide computer programming and training services for the Engineering Division of the Department of Water Resources, in an amount not to exceed \$4,800.00.

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

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – RELEASE PERFORMANCE BONDS

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the release of the performance bond for Jack Gibson Construction Company for Sherman Hills Waste Water Treatment Plant Improvements Project (P0003) (Contract A) as the project is substantially complete as of May 30, 2008 and a One Year Maintenance Bond has been received for the Sherman Hills Waste Water Treatment Plant pump station.

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

Motion: *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the release of the performance bond for DanCo General Contractors for Sherman Hills Waste Water Treatment Plant Improvements Project (P0003) (Contract B) as the project is substantially complete as of December 21, 2007 and a One Year Maintenance Bond has been received for the Sherman Hills Waste Water Treatment Plant pump station.*

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

Motion: *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the release of the performance bond for Clemson Excavating Incorporated for the Metzenbaum Center Waste Water Treatment Plant Improvements Project as the project is substantially complete as of August 29, 2008 and a One Year Maintenance Bond has been received.*

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

Motion: *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the release of the performance bond for ABC Piping Company Incorporated for the Parkman Sewer Project (Contract B: Waste Water Treatment Plant Construction-P9806) as the project is substantially complete and a One Year Maintenance Bond has been received.*

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

Motion: *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the release of the performance bond for Hallmark Excavating Incorporated for the County Line Water Company (Arrowhead Farms) Water System Upgrades Project (P 0602) as all specifications have been met.*

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

DOG WARDEN'S OFFICE – RECLASSIFICATION – SAMANTHA BEARD

Motion: *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the reclassification of Samantha Beard to the position of Seasonal Help for the period October 1, 2008 through March 1, 2009 at the hourly rate of \$8.25 per hour (first year rate) with a maximum of 520 hours to be worked.*

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

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – CEO AND OPWC APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – THOMPSON ROAD PROJECT

Motion: *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and appoint the President of the Board as the Chief Executive Officer for the Improve Thompson Road (CH 7, Sections A-E) Project in Thompson Township and to further authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute the Ohio Public Works*

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*Commission Application for Financial Assistance in the amount of \$300,000.00.
The total cost of this project is \$400,000.00.*

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

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – CEO AND OPWC APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – CHARDON WINDSOR ROAD BRIDGE

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and appoint the President of the Board as the Chief Executive Officer for the Reconstruct the Chardon Windsor Road Bridge (Structure #13-5.43) Project in Huntsburg Township and to further authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute the Ohio Public Works Commission Application for Financial Assistance in the amount of \$400,000.00. The total cost of this project is \$500,000.00.

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

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – CEO AND OPWC APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – IMPROVE NAUVOO ROAD

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve and appoint the President of the Board as the Chief Executive Officer for the Reconstruct the Improve Nauvoo Road (CH 41, Section A) Project in Middlefield Township and to further authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute the Ohio Public Works Commission Application for Financial Assistance in the amount of \$200,000.00. The total cost of this project is \$300,000.00.

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

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE – BUDGET HEARINGS

Commissioner's Clerk, Claudine Kozenko explained this update is cancelling the budget hearings for today's schedule.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the update to the budget hearing schedule.

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

OTHER

County Administrator Dave Lair made the announcement for Human Resources that due to the power outages there is a shortage of blood due to blood drives being cancelled. The Department on Aging is requesting the county to encourage their employees to help make up for the blood shortfall and to donate blood on Monday, September 22. Please call the Department on Aging for an appointment.

Commissioner Young reported on a call from Ms. Mia Moore, First Energy Area Manager who reported that First Energy is attempting to work aggressively to bring back the workers from Texas to help in the current emergency of widespread power outages in Ohio. Some areas will not be repaired until the weekend. Governor Strickland declared a State of Emergency as about two million people in the State of Ohio are without power. Mr. Lair stated that with the new proposed power lines this would reduce the amount of outage by creating a redundancy in the power grid. Ms. Kozenko commented that First Energy should take care of the equipment they have currently and hire more line workers.

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MEETINGS

- a) *A monthly report filed by the Geauga County Sheriff's Office of an account of expenses for the prisoner transport for the month ending August 2008 as required by O.R.C. 325.07.*

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Tue., 9/16 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Tue., 9/16 Investment Advisory Committee Meeting

*Tue., 9/16 Budget Hearings: 1:00 p.m. Department on Aging 1:45 p.m. Water Resources
2:30 p.m. Maintenance 3:15 p.m. Coroner's Office*

Wed., 9/17 Perry Nuclear Power Plant Dry-Run Drill

Wed., 9/17 Department on Aging's Elected Officials lunch.

Thu., 9/18 The Commissioners' will hold the PUBLIC HEARING for the ODOT Operating Grant Application and the CY 2009 ODOT Capital Grant Application PUBLIC HEARING at 10:30 a.m.

Thu., 9/18 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Tue., 9/23 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Thu., 9/25 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Thu., 9/25 The Commissioners will hold the monthly economic development work session at noon at 470 Center Street, Building #8, Chardon. The discussion is Wind Power and will feature five (5) panelists (a follow up to the May 29, 2008 meeting).

Tue., 9/30 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

*Tue., 9/30 Budget Hearings: 1:00 p.m. Co-op Extension 1:45 p.m. Airport
2:30 p.m. Prosecutor's Office*

BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER ALBERT ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 11:10 A.M.

Geauga County Board of Commissioners

Mary E. Samide

William S. Young

Craig S. Albert

Claudine Kozenko, Commissioners' Clerk