

Commissioners' Journal
January 6, 2011

The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on January 6, 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, Mary E. Samide opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE MINUTES

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of January 4, 2011.

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

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – RESCIND MOTION FROM JANUARY 4, 2011 – CORRECTED MOTION REGARDING COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR APPROVING FINANCIALS FOR YEAR 2011

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to rescind the motion from January 4, 2011 “authorize the County Administrator to execute, in the case of a lack of quorum of Commissioners and/or if session is cancelled on a regular financial day, the required approvals for county financials on behalf of the Board through the end of 2011, as authorized by O.R.C. 305.30”.

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

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to authorize the County Administrator to execute, in the case of a lack of quorum of Commissioners and/or if session is cancelled on a regular financial day the required approvals for county financials on behalf of the Board during the Year 2011, as authorized by O.R.C. 305.30. The County Administrator shall also be authorized to approve financials during the month of January, 2011, if it is necessary for financials to be approved at a time between scheduled regular sessions of the Commissioners.

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

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – REDUCE MAXIMUM LOAD LIMIT ALL COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP ROADS BY 33%

County Engineer R.L. Phillips stated that they needed to send letters to all the Townships with the effective date of the reduction. The Townships then prepare and get their signs posted on their roads noting the date. The Townships have to send a letter back to the Engineers saying that the signs have been posted and where they are located, making enforcement more effective by the Sheriff. Mr. Phillips explained that not knowing when the next big thaw could happen it was best to get this done ahead of time and be ready for it.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve the reduction by 33% to the maximum load limit permitted on all County and Township roads effective January 18, 2011 in accordance with Section 5577.07 of the Ohio Revised Code. This reduction is necessary to minimize damage to the roads during periods of freeze and thaw and excessive moisture.

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

SHERIFF'S OFFICE – OHIO OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES QUARTERLY SUBGRANT REPORT

Sheriff Dan McClelland and Chief Deputy Scott Hildenbrand explained that this was the final report that needed to be filed for what they referred to as the \$99,000.00 radio grant. Sheriff McClelland stated that back towards the middle of December that they filed the fourth (4th) quarter subgrant report, this report covers the last two week so of the year and finishes it up.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the final Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services Quarterly Subgrant Report for the GCSO Technology Improvement Grant #2009-RA-E01-2223, for the period ending December 31, 2010.

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

SHERIFF'S OFFICE – VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN (VAWA) SUBGRANT AGREEMENTS

Sheriff McClelland explained that these grants were for the investigator to investigate crimes against women and that about a year ago the grant was split into two grants and increased the amount of money that could be received for the same purpose. Sheriff McClelland explained that these grants had local matches from the General Fund but also a local match out of the Law Enforcement Trust Fund. Money deposited into this fund is collected through seizures and forfeitures from criminal enterprises.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Geauga County STOP Violence Against Women (VAWA) Subgrant (#2009-WF-VA2-8214A) Award Agreement for the total amount of \$36,626.00 (\$27,470.00 from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS) and a local match of \$8,028.92 from the General Fund and a local match of \$1,127.08 from the Sheriff's Office Law Enforcement Trust Fund) for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011.

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

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Geauga County STOP Violence Against Women (VAWA) Subgrant (#2010-WF-VA2-8214) Award Agreement for the total amount of \$42,076.68 (\$31,558.00 from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS) and local match of \$8,370.00 from the General Fund and a local match of \$2,148.68 from the Sheriff's Office Law Enforcement Trust Fund) for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011.

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

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

Nancy Seelbach stated that they were requesting approval for the mutual funding agreement that the Commissioners and others have contributed to in the past. Ms. Seelbach explained that they very much appreciated the Commissioners' continued support and involvement in such hard times.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute the Geauga County Family First Council Mutual Funding Agreement

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between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, the Geauga County Job and Family Services, the Geauga County Board of 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, 2011 through June 30, 2011. This Agreement commits the Board of County Commissioners to providing a support payment of \$20,434.00 from the General Fund.

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

TRANSIT DEPARTMENT – OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RURAL TRANSIT PROGRAM FY 2011 GRANT CONTRACT

Director Kristina Reider explained that this was the yearly grant contract that had been approved in August. Ms. Reider stated that she was pleased to report that they had received over a million dollars in grant funding this year between their Operating and Capital grants. Ms. Reider explained that with this grant they would again be replacing three (3) new vehicles, having them lettered to include their logo, receiving a new workstation which would replace one that was not replaced through previous stimulus funding, and receiving reimbursement for capitalized maintenance. Ms. Reider explained that the capitalized maintenance includes a reimbursement of eighty percent (80%) of the cost of their mechanic and parts that is separate from their Operating funds.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Ohio Department of Transportation Rural Transit Program FY 2011 Grant Contract between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and the State of Ohio Department of Transportation for Operating Grant funds in the amount of \$1,098,349.00 (Federal operating funds of \$585,626.00 and State operating funds of \$122,700.00 and \$390,023.00 in capital funds for the purchase of three light transit vehicles, lettering, 1 replacement workstation and capitalized maintenance) for the period January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011.

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

TRANSIT DEPARTMENT – HIRE FULL TIME HOSTLER (#2214) FRANK E. PERTZ

Ms. Reider stated that Mr. Pertz would be replacing an employee that will be retiring in a week. Mr. Pertz is going to start on Monday and work with the existing employee to learn the position before he leaves. Ms. Reider stated that Mr. Pertz was someone local who they hope will do a good job.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve hiring Frank E. Pertz for the position of Full-time Hostler (#2214) to be effective January 10, 2011 at a rate of \$9.63 per hour. After the successful completion of a 180 day probationary period the rate will increase to \$10.14 per hour.

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

Ms. Reider stated to the Board that they would be running their pilot program starting January 31st with four or five drivers. Trapeze will be here for the week and they hope to fully operational March 1, 2011.

OTHER

The Board reviewed upcoming events.

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MEETINGS

Fri – Sun. 1/7-1/9 The Commissioners will be attending the Fair Board Convention in Columbus, Ohio.

Mon., 1/10 The Commissioners will hold the Re-organizational meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Tues., 1/11 The Regularly scheduled Commissioners' meeting is cancelled.

Wed., 1/12 The Commissioners will attend the Township Association Dinner Meeting in Parkman.

Thu., 1/13 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Thu., 1/13 The Commissioners will hold a public hearing at 10:30 a.m. for the Petition for Annexation of St. Lucy's Catholic Church Parcel to the Village of Middlefield.

Fri., 1/14 NOACA Meeting

Mon., 1/17 County offices will be closed for general business due to the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday. Twenty-four hour operations will continue to operate as usual.

Tues., 1/18 The Regularly scheduled Commissioners' meeting is cancelled.

Thu., 1/20 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Tues., 1/25 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Thu., 1/27 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER SAMIDE ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 10:20A.M.

Geauga County Board of Commissioners

William S. Young

Tracy A. Jemison

Mary E. Samide

Christine Blair, Acting Commissioners' Clerk