

Commissioners' Journal
January 26, 2010

The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on January 26, 2010 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 10:04 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 21, 2010.

<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>

APPROVE FINANCIALS

Budget Specialist Heidi Delaney explained the financials as including appropriations to the general fund to restore general fund salary, PERS and Medicare appropriations that were reduced for the 2010 Permanent Budget and to distribute the carryover balance in the general fund; a travel request for Community and Economic Development and one for Intensive Supervision; and four Then and Now's.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute Resolution 10-007 itemizing the financials for the meeting of January 26, 2010.

<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 – LIBRARY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER CONSTRUCTION NOTES

Commissioner Jemison inquired as to how much is being paid down on this debt to which Auditor Frank Gliha replied that they were paying down \$50,000.00.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to acknowledge receipt of the Fiscal Officer's Certificate in connection with the \$180,000.00 Library Administrative Center Construction Note, Series 2010.

<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 approve and execute resolution 10-011 Providing for the Issuance of Notes of the County of Geauga, in the Aggregate Principal amount of \$180,000.00, in Anticipation of the Issuance of Bonds for the Purpose of Constructing, Furnishing and Equipping the Geauga County Public Library Administrative Center and Improving and Equipping its site.

<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>

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ENGINEER'S OFFICE – MAINTENANCE GUARANTY, DEDICATION PLAT AND SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL – EXTENSION OF ROCKER AVENUE - BAINBRIDGE TOWNSHIP

Project Inspector II Pete Seliskar stated that the contractors finished the extension of Rocker Avenue for the Judson Retirement Center and it is being dedicated. This is a one year maintenance guaranty for the extension.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve, execute and accept the Maintenance Guaranty for the Extension of Rocker Avenue (TR 466) in Bainbridge Township, in the amount of \$20,000.00, being held by the Board at Middlefield Banking Company.

<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 approve and execute the dedication plat, dedication the Extension of Rocker Avenue (TR 466) in Bainbridge Township.

<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 accept the Extension of Rocker Avenue (TR 466) for snow and ice removal only by Bainbridge Township.

<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>

RECORDER'S OFFICE – USE OF COUNTY CREDIT CARDS

County Recorder Sharon Gingerich came before the Board to discuss credit cards and how she can obtain one. The bank she went to said she had to get one with her own name, not just in the County Records Office. The Board agreed that the Commissioners cannot approve her personal credit card. It was suggested that she go to the bank in Burton who is familiar with opening credit cards for county officials (to be approved by the Board pursuant to O.R.C.). Transit Director Kristina Reider, from the audience, said she would provide Ms. Gingerich with information on this process.

TRANSIT DEPARTMENT – VOLUNTARY DISABILITY SEPARATION RESIGNATION – AMY LAMOUREAUX

This employee has been on FMLA and has since applied for disability through PERS and has received her approval letter.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to accept the voluntary disability separation resignation of Amy LaMoureaux, to be effective December 31, 2009.

<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>

BUILDING DEPARTMENT – REFUND PERMIT FEES – APPLE HEATING AND COOLING

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and refund the permit fees paid to Geauga County by Apple Heating and Cooling for the replacement of air conditioning and furnace job that was cancelled by the homeowners, in the amount of \$85.85.

<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>

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DEPARTMENT ON AGING – ADOPT SUGGESTED DONATIONS – PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Director Sally Bell explained that they looked at their entire budget and then divided it out by programs to get the end cost of the programs. The same process is done with the unit of service and added that the definition of a unit of service is set by the Older Americans Act. The total number of units of service is tracked as well as the total number of opportunities for participation that seniors have in Geauga County for each area of service. Then the number of units of service is divided into the total cost to come up with the total cost per unit. Ms. Bell further explained the amount of donations per category they received in support of some of the programs which came to a total of \$171,350.00 this year. Ms. Bell explained that the suggested donations came from the worksheet that was just explained. The administrative costs are divided equally among all the programs. Ms. Bell stated that by doing this worksheet they were able to drop the cost of meals by \$.50 a unit. The overhead costs are the same but they had more people use the service last year which drove down the cost per unit.

Adult Day Care	\$42.00 per day
Appointment/Information & Referral/HEAP	\$4.00
Chore/Home Maintenance	\$20.00
Congregate Meals	\$5.00
Counseling	\$44.00
Education/Socialization	\$27.00
Escort (per out of county trip)	\$3.71 per mile or \$115.00 per trip
Friendly Visit/ Telephone Reassurance	\$15.00
Health Services	\$77.00 per service
Home Delivered Meals	\$5.00 per meal
Legal Services	\$180.00 per hour
Newsletter	\$20.00 per year
Supportive Services	\$55.00 per session
Transportation	3.71 per mile or \$30.00 per trip
Volunteer Placement	\$43.00

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to adopt the Department on Aging Advisory Board's recommendations for the 2010 Suggested Donations for Programs and Services through the Department on Aging to be effective March 1, 2010.

<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>

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – SERVICE CONTRACT AGREEMENT – OSBOURN PLUMBING AND HEATING

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute a service Contract Agreement with Osbourn Plumbing and Heating Company Incorporated to perform emergency plumbing repairs at various when needed at various locations within the department for the 2010 Year, in an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00.

<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>

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Department of Water Resources is requesting an executive session for the purpose of discussing the discipline of a public employee.

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to move into executive session for the purpose of discussing the discipline of a public employee.

<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>

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The Board returned from executive session at 11:08 a.m. The following action was taken as a result of this executive session:

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide having received and reviewed the report of the Hearing Officer dated January 13, 2010 with disciplinary action recommendations, to approve and adopt the recommendation of Hearing Officer Ron Geller to suspend Roy Neiman, Waste Water Plant Operator III in the Department of Water Resources, for a period of 24 hours without pay (3 working days).

<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 Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide having received and reviewed the report of the Hearing Officer dated January 25, 2010 with disciplinary action recommendations, to approve and adopt the recommendation of Hearing Officer Ron Geller to suspend John Asmar, Maintenance Worker in the Department of Water Resources, for a period of 8 hours without pay (1 working day).

<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 – AD CONTRACT – TAG MEDIA LTD PUBLISHING AND PROMOTION

Commissioner Samide explained the rates were raised slightly. This magazine has been used to highlight economic development and different items that come up. This magazine goes out to every household in Geauga County.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Ad Contract with TAG Media LTD Publishing and Promotion for advertisement and promotional activity in the Geauga Magazine Spring, Summer and Fall/Winter issues in the amount of \$1,250.00 for each publication, for a total amount of \$3,750.00.

<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 – RESOLUTIONS HONORING 2010 EMERALD LEADER AWARD WINNERS

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute Resolution 10-008 Honoring Leadership Geauga 2010 Emerald Leader Award Winner Kimm Leininger.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date: January 26, 2010
Resolution: 10-008

**RESOLUTION HONORING LEADERSHIP GEAUGA
2010 EMERALD LEADER AWARD WINNER KIMM LEININGER**

WHEREAS, each year since 2001, Leadership Geauga County has recognized community leaders who have significantly enhanced the quality of life in Geauga County. The Emerald Leader Award is presented annually to an individual, a business and / or a non-profit agency that exemplifies outstanding leadership by positive contributions through volunteerism, philanthropy, or innovation that impact the quality of life in Geauga County; and

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WHEREAS, Kimm Leininger, Executive Director of United Way Services of Geauga County is refocusing the work of United Way Services in the areas of Health and Wellness, Strengthening Families and Attaining Independence; and

WHEREAS, Kimm Leininger serves on the board for the Western Reserve Community Development Corporation, founding board member for Tri-County CARE and Parish Council President at St. Mary Catholic Church in Chardon, member of the Chardon Rotary Club, Geauga Family First Council, Starting Point Regional Advisory Committee and the Northeast Ohio Development Exchange; and

WHEREAS, Kimm Leininger quickly developed a partnership with Lake-Geauga Fund of the Cleveland Foundation, for an Organizational Transformation Project, resulting in the development of a Community Impact Agenda for Geauga County along with solution focused task force groups that are making an impact in Affordable Housing and Services to Homebound Seniors; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize the dedicated service of Kimm Leininger and the honor of being the recipient of the 2010 Leadership Geauga County Emerald Leader Award.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution become part of the permanent record of the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio.

<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 approve and execute Resolution 10-009 Honoring Leadership Geauga 2010 Emerald Leader Award Winner Interact Club of Chardon High School.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date: January 26, 2010

Resolution: 10-009

**RESOLUTION HONORING LEADERSHIP GEAUGA
2010 EMERALD LEADER AWARD WINNER
INTERACT CLUB OF CHARDON HIGH SCHOOL**

WHEREAS, each year since 2001, Leadership Geauga County has recognized community leaders who have significantly enhanced the quality of life in Geauga County. The Emerald Leader Award is presented annually to an individual, a business and / or a non-profit agency that exemplifies outstanding leadership by positive contributions through volunteerism, philanthropy, or innovation that impact the quality of life in Geauga County; and

WHEREAS, The Interact Club of Chardon High School is a group of over seventy youth who have exemplified leadership and service above self with enthusiasm and commitment by organizing fundraising events in support of local families and worldwide organizations; and

WHEREAS, The Interact Club have given their support to Helping Harvest Auction, River Clean Up on Cuyahoga River, "Canstruction", Salvation Army Bell Ringing, and collected over 700 pounds of used school supplies for Geauga County students in need; and

WHEREAS, The Interact Club is currently working on raising funds for Rock Foundation School in Masindi, Uganda and reading every week to Maple Elementary First Graders; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize the dedicated service of The Interact Club and the honor of being the recipient of the 2010 Leadership Geauga County Emerald Leader Award.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution become part of the permanent record of the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio.

<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 – LETTER OF SUPPORT – WEST GEAUGA COMMUNITY JOINT RECREATION DISTRICT

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute a letter of support for the West Geauga Community Joint Recreation District pertaining to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Nature Works Grant for the need for additional and updated restroom facilities at the West Geauga Commons in Russell Township.

<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>

OTHER

The Board reviewed calendars and events. Commissioner Jemison inquired if the date was set for holding session at Chagrin Falls Park. Commissioners' Clerk Claudine Kozenko said the arrangements have been made she is just waiting for final confirmation from the Director.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a) A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the week ending January 20, 2010, pursuant to O.R.C. 955.12.*
- b) An Authorization by the Geauga County Microfilming Board to Contract for Microfilm Services by the Archives and Records Center for microfilming services with outside vendors, pursuant to O.R.C. 307.802.*
- c) The 2009 Annual Inventory of all materials, machinery, tools and other county supplies pursuant to ORC 305.18 for the following: Community and Economic Development, Coroner's Office, Mental Health and Recovery Services, Records Office, Probate / Juvenile Court, CASA, Board of Elections, Water Resources, Dog Warden, Intensive Probation, Archives, Building Department, Department on Aging, Treasurer, Law Library, Job and Family Services, Planning Commission, Transit Department, County Engineer, Soil and Water Conservation District, Board of Development Disabilities, Clerk of Courts, Common Pleas (Judges Fuhry and Burt), County Home, Department of Emergency Services, Prosecutor's Office, Veterans.*

MEETINGS

Wed., 1/27 Tourism Annual All Members Meeting and Silent Auction at 7:00 p.m. at the American Legion Hall in Burton

Wed., 1/27 Mental Health Board meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Thu., 1/28 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Tue., 2/2 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Thu., 2/4 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Fri., 2/5 Board of Revision meeting at 9:00 a.m. in the Auditor's Conference Room

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- Tue., 2/9 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*
- Tue., 2/9 The Planning Commission meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Planning Commission meeting room, Bldg. #1C, 470 Center Street*
- Thu., 2/11 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*
- Thu., 2/11 Chagrin River Watershed Partners Board of Trustees Meeting 4:00 p.m., Mayfield Village Civic Center*
- Fri., 2/12 NOACA Governing Board meeting*
- Mon., 2/15 The County Offices will be closed in honor of Presidents Day.*
- Tues., 2/16 The Commissioners' regular session is cancelled.*
- Thu., 2/18 The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER SAMIDE ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 11:13 A.M.

Geauga County Board of Commissioners

William S. Young

Tracy A. Jemison

Mary E. Samide

Claudine Kozenko, Commissioners' Clerk