

Commissioners' Journal
May 27, 2010

The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on May 27, 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 May 25, 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 voucher payments for quarterly bed tax distribution to the City of Chardon and Geauga County Tourism Council and a payment to United Way.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute Resolution 10-098 itemizing the financials for the meeting of May 6, 2010.

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

** Commissioner Jemison explained he abstained from voting as he is Chairman of United Way.*

JUVENILE / PROBATE COURT – FISCAL YEAR 2011 FUNDING APPLICATION UPDATE – YOUTH SERVICES SUBSIDY GRANT

Michelle Schroeder, Chief Probation Officer explained that this is the annual grant money that they receive from the Ohio Department of Youth Services that is a combination of two funds (a subsidy grant fund and a 510 fund). Ms. Schroeder stated that for the first time in her seventeen years they are forced to cut a staff position as a result of the decrease for this grant. The decrease is due to additional bed days in the Department of Youth Services, a decrease in the number of felony adjudications they have experienced in a four year period, and the fact that they are not permitted to carry over more than 25% of the prior allocations. All these things have hit simultaneously. The department will continue business as usual in the areas they have funded through December 31. Effective January 1, 2011 they will eliminate one staff position and they will be combining program areas and obligations. In responding to Commissioner Jemison's question, Ms. Schroeder reported there are currently seven staff members.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Fiscal Year 2011 Juvenile Court Funding Application Update for the Ohio Department of Youth Services Subsidy Grant, in the total estimated program costs of \$272,960.23.

<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>

CLEVELAND CLINIC – LIFESTYLE EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LEAP)

Director Jennifer Hunter and Manager in Training Ashley Neuman were present to discuss the Cleveland Clinic Lifestyle Employee Assistance Program (LEAP) program. Ms. Hunter explained that the program is a family benefit and are making it a life balance benefit. This is a

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robust benefit offering eight counseling sessions, face to face and offers meaningful clinical experience. Over the last year there has been a 5.6% utilization of this benefit with 80% being resolved by using the EAP benefit and not having to be referred out to the medical health plan. This is a savings for the employee and the county. There are management orientations or employee orientations. Kathy Hostutler, Benefits Specialist, added that the county is using management tools more for coaching of employees. Commissioner Young stated that these sessions are not a matter of public record. It is between the people using the service and/or the manager looking for assistance to help an employee. Ms. Hunter added that they follow all HIPPA guidelines. Most managers feel responsible for their employees and instead of giving them advice (which may be incorrect) they have this resource that is free and confidential. This year LEAP will be working on Work Life Services: child care, education, eldercare, financial and legal and identity theft. On site services have trainings, crisis service and health fairs. Managers need to make sure the employees are aware of this benefit and that it is a benefit to the employee.

ENGINEER'S OFFICE – MESSENGER ROAD CHANGE ORDER #1 – RONYAK PAVING INCORPORATED

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute Change Order #1 and final decreasing the contract with Ronyak Paving, Incorporated for the Asphalt Resurfacing of Messenger Road (CH 31, Section A), in Auburn Township, Contract #RS-31A-10, in the amount of \$5,114.15.

<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>

ENGINEER'S OFFICE – MUNN ROAD CHANGE ORDER #1 – RONYAK PAVING INCORPORATED

Planning Engineer Michael Stone explained that this project was bid in 2009 and was done this year. The increase was due to an adjustment for the asphalt binder for this project.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute Change Order #1 and final increasing the contract with Ronyak Paving, Incorporated for the Asphalt Resurfacing of Munn Road (CH 32, Sections A-C), in Auburn Township, Contract #RS-32AC-09, in the amount of \$10,814.22.

<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>

ENGINEER'S OFFICE – ADVERTISE BIDS – BELL STREET / AUBURN ROAD PROJECT – AUBURN AND NEWBURY TOWNSHIPS

Mr. Stone reported this project was estimated at \$700,000 with federal funds not exceeding eighty percent (80%) of the contract amount.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to grant permission to advertise for bids for The GEA-Bell Street (CH10, Section E) / Auburn Road (CH4, Sections F-H) Project in Auburn and Newbury Townships with a bid opening to be held Wednesday, June 30, 2010, at 2:00 p.m. Notice of this bid opening will be advertised June 3, 10 and 17, 2010 and posted on the county's web 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>

ENGINEER'S OFFICE – BID OPENING – AUBURN ROAD PROJECT – MUNSON TOWNSHIP

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to grant permission to advertise for bids for The GEA-Auburn Road (CH4, Sections N-O) Project in Munson Township with a bid opening to be held Wednesday, June 30, 2010, at 2:05 p.m. Notice of this bid opening will be advertised June 3, 10 and 17, 2010 and posted on the county's web site.

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

ENGINEER'S OFFICE – APPLICATION OF POLYESTER PAVEMENT MARKINGS BID AWARD – INTERSTATE ROAD MANAGEMENT

Mr. Stone reported a \$150,000 grant on this project with approximately \$11,000.00 of local dollars being used.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to award the bid to Interstate Road Management for The Application of Polyester Pavement Markings to Various Roads Project (2010) in the amount of \$161,943.00, as they represented the lowest and best bid.

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

ENGINEER'S OFFICE – WIDEN AND ASPHALT RESURFACE WILSON MILLS ROAD BID AWARD – KOKOSING CONSTRUCTION COMPANY

Mr. Stone reported this is for the entire section of Wilson Mills Road in Munson Township with an \$848,000 maximum grant. There are also urban funds from NOACA for this project and is an ARRA project.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to award the bid to Kokosing Construction Company for The Widening and Asphalt Resurfacing of Wilson Mills Road Project (CH 8, Sections G-L) in Munson Township in the amount of \$1,026,948.27, as they represented the lowest and best bid.

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

ENGINEER'S OFFICE – ASPHALT RESURFACE WASHINGTON STREET BID AWARD – RONYAK PAVING INCORPORATED

Mr. Stone explained that this project is from Route 306 to Munn Road with a maximum grant of \$576,000 and is in the NOACA program.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to award the bid to Ronyak Paving Incorporated for The Asphalt Resurfacing of Washington Street Project (CH 606, Sections C-F) in Bainbridge and Auburn Townships in the amount of \$880,109.51, as they represented the lowest and best bid.

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

ENGINEER'S OFFICE – BID OPENING – WIDEN AND ASPHALT RESURFACE GEORGIA ROAD – BURTON TOWNSHIP

Mr. Stone stated that he received a message this morning from ODOT that this project was approved. This is special funding from Congressman Steve LaTourette that was set up in the Highway Bill. It was originally set up for Hubbard Road in Burton Township. ODOT "chased it down" after Burton did not use it and got it approved for Geauga County.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to grant permission to advertise for bids for The Widening and Asphalt Resurfacing of Georgia Road (CH40, Sections A&B) Project in Burton Township with a bid opening to be held Wednesday, June 30, 2010, at 2:10 p.m. Notice of this bid opening will be advertised June 3, 10 and 17, 2010 and posted on the county's web site.

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

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**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – NEW REVENUE FUND – THOMPSON
WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND COLLECTION SYSTEM FUND**

Director Doug Bowen explained that this is to set up fund accounts for the Thompson sewer project since they are already spending money with grants and different loans. Final engineering will be coming before the Board soon. The Auditor's Office will determine the name of these fund accounts.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and authorize the Geauga County Auditor to establish a new revenue fund to be known as the (to be determined TBD) – Standard Array of Q Accounts (Thompson) Fund to allow for the proper accounting of revenues and expenditures for the construction of a waste water treatment plant and collection system in Thompson, 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>

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – TROY TOWNSHIP 208 WATER QUALITY
MANAGEMENT PLAN VARIANCE**

Mr. Bowen explained that part of the 208 Plan does not permit two buildings on the same parcel to use a single septic system without deed restrictions. If for any reason this parcel is split or sold separately these two buildings would have to have separate systems. The Troy Township acknowledges this variance and has agreed to it, per an attached letter.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to grant a variance to the Troy Township 208 Water Quality Management Plan for Parcel # 32-030800 (14001 Main Market Road) to permit the property owner to connect multiple buildings on the same parcel to a single septic system.

<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 – USE OF COUNTY PROPERTY FOR FIREWORKS
AGREEMENT**

Mr. Bowen explained this is an annual event.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute an Agreement granting permission to Bainbridge Township to use County property (McFarland Waste Water Treatment Plant) located at 17630 Chagrin River Road as the launching site for the Independence Day fireworks.

<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 – RESOLUTION HONORING BONNIE MARX ON
HER RETIREMENT**

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute Resolution 10-113 Honoring Bonnie Marx on her Retirement from Water Resources.

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**RESOLUTION HONORING BONNIE MARX
ON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT FROM
THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES AND GEAUGA COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Mrs. Marx has served the people of Geauga County for over thirty years in various administrative and financial positions, beginning with the switchboard when it was located in the lobby of the venerable Court House, moving on to the Commissioners' budget office before settling with the tough but lovable people of the Water Resources Department, where for the past 27 years or so has ensured the proper expenditure of every cent for its intended purpose; and

WHEREAS, throughout this time, Mrs. Marx has been described as the best co-worker anyone could hope for; with her thoughtfulness and kindness she has brightened many days, for many people. Geauga County has been fortunate to have had Mrs. Marx representing the county. Mrs. Marx set the standard for the kind, compassionate, efficient and respectful employee, infusing the daily grind with her sense of humor and unfailing optimism; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Marx is now planning many years of happiness in retirement with her husband, Ron, two daughters, Renee and Ronda and the many grandchildren. She will be spending time with family, square dancing and traveling the countryside; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners salutes, congratulates and thanks Bonnie Marx for all her years of service.

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>

**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – NOTICE OF AWARD –
KRUG HOLDINGS, LIMITED – ULYSSES WILLIAMS**

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute a Notice of Award to Krug Holdings, Limited for demolition of property of Ulysses Williams located at 7113 Lewis Street, Chagrin Falls Park, under the Neighborhood Stabilization Program Grant, as they represented the lowest and best proposal in the amount of \$1,000.00.

<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>

**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – LETTER OF
COMMITMENT – TRC LANDSCAPING SERVICES INCORPORATED – REVOLVING LOAN
FUNDS**

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Letter of Commitment for TRC Landscaping Services Incorporated for the purchase of machinery and equipment for the facility located at 11220 Kinsman Road, Newbury Township, by lending \$217,400.00 in Revolving Loan Funds for a period of seven years (84 months) at a fixed interest rate of three and one half percent (3.5%), upon the recommendation of the Revolving Loan Fund Committee.

<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>

**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – REVOLVING LOAN FUND
REVIEW REPORT FORM**

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to authorize the President of the Board to execute the Revolving Loan Fund Loan Review Report

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Form for TRC Landscaping Services Incorporated for a loan in the amount of \$271,400.00 at three and one half percent (3.5%) for 84 months.

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

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – CERTIFICATE OF DETERMINATION CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION – TRC LANDSCAPING SERVICES INCORPORATED

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to authorize the President of the Board to execute the Certification of Determination of Subsequent Exemption for a Categorical Exclusion Project under the Revolving Loan Fund Program Income activity for TRC Landscaping Services Incorporated.

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

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – OHIO DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT LETTER ENDORSING NSP FUNDING APPROVAL – ZERO ENERGY HOME

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute a letter to the Ohio Department of Development, Office of Housing and Community Partnerships endorsing the approval of funding under the Neighborhood Stabilization Grant (NSP) of a net zero energy home.

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

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT – BID OPENING – LAW LIBRARY REMODELING PROJECT

Director Glen Vernick reported this is for the three rooms of the Courthouse Law Library that will be gutted and a basic remodeling with little electrical change. Commissioner Jemison asked the cost of the project and if the Judges are aware of this project. Mr. Vernick replied that the cost is about \$150,000.00 and the judges are very aware of the project. The funds are coming from the Law Library funds as listed in their budget.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to grant permission to advertise for bids for The Geauga County Law Library Remodeling at the County Courthouse Project with a bid opening to be held Wednesday, June 23, 2010, at 2:00 p.m. Notice of this bid opening will be advertised May 27, 2010 and posted on the county's web site.

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

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT – GARDINER TRANE COMPANY CONTRACT AGREEMENT – FIVE (5) HVAC SYSTEMS- 470 CENTER STREET

Mr. Vernick explained this is for half the units that need replacing and is for heating and air conditioning.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute a Contract Agreement (State Contract No. 7763200306) between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and the Gardiner Trane Company for five (5) HVAC Systems Parts and Accessories and Installation of Roof Top Units Replacement at the 470 Center Street buildings for the 2010 Year, in an amount not to exceed \$57,011.00

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

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MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT – WARRANTY DEED FOR TITLE OF TRANSFER – 208 EAST PARK STREET, CHARDON

Mr. Vernick stated that this is to get this parcel out of the Board of Educations name and back into the Board of Commissioners.

Mr. Vernick informed the Board that the parking lot at 470 Center Street is being resealed this weekend.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute a Warranty Deed for a title of transfer of Parcel No. 10-705600 (208 East Park Street, Chardon) from the Geauga County Educational Service Center to the Geauga County Board of Commissioners by virtue of the failure of satisfaction of the conditions set forth in the reversionary clause in said Warranty Deed.

<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 – CLOSE POSTING – SUMMER HELP #0101

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to close the request for Summer Help (#0101) as all available positions have been filled.

<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>

SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT RESOLUTIONS FOR AWARDS AND ENVIROTHON EDUCATION COUNCIL OF OHIO (EECO)

Carmella Shale, Soil and Water Conservation (SWCD) District Administrator/Engineer stated that they have been trying to get other schools involved in this program and added that Ledgemont's is the newest team. The Board commented on how efficient the entire event was and that it was well done.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute the following resolutions pertaining to Soil and Water Conservation Districts awards and Envirothon Education Council of Ohio (EECO):

10-099 Chardon Team Red
10-100 Chardon Team Black

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Resolution: 10-099
Date: May 27, 2010

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE CHARDON HIGH SCHOOL TEAM RED
AT THE 2010 NORTHEAST OHIO HIGH SCHOOL ENVIROTHON**

WHEREAS, the Envirothon is the largest academic, outdoor environmental competition for students in grades nine through twelve in North America. Geauga County was pleased to have five schools participating this year: Chardon High School (with two teams), Kenston High School (with two teams), West Geauga High School (with two teams), Ledgemont High School (with two teams) and Hawken School (with one team); and

WHEREAS, each team is tested on their knowledge of soils, forestry, aquatics, wildlife and current environmental issues. This years' theme was "Protection of Groundwater through Urban, Agricultural and Environmental Planning". Working together, students gain team-building skills, knowledge of science and appreciation for local natural resources. The Chardon High School Envirothon Team RED competed with forty-five schools with seventy four teams in the Northeast Ohio Envirothon, and with over five hundred students, coaches and volunteers from seventeen counties which was hosted by Geauga County Soil and Water Conservation District and Trumbull Soil and Water Conservation District that was held at Camp Wise in Claridon Township on April 28, 2010; and

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WHEREAS, 2010 Chardon High School Envirothon Team RED consists of the following five members: Claire Dorsett, Kate Best, James Porter, Kim Savidas, and Kevin Morgan; and

WHEREAS, Chardon High School Envirothon Team RED placed FIRST and will advance to the Ohio Envirothon to be held June of 2010. The winner of this event will proceed to the National Competition which Chardon High School has progressed to the National level for three years in a row, placing Fifth in 2006, Eleventh in 2007 and Fifth in 2008; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize and congratulate the Chardon High School Envirothon Team RED and their coach Marilyn Rohr on their accomplishment; and

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>

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Resolution: 10-100
Date: May 27, 2010

***RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE CHARDON HIGH SCHOOL TEAM BLACK
AT THE 2010 NORTHEAST OHIO HIGH SCHOOL ENVIROTHON***

WHEREAS, the Envirothon is the largest academic, outdoor environmental competition for students in grades nine through twelve in North America. Geauga County was pleased to have five schools participating this year: Chardon High School (with two teams), Kenston High School (with two teams), West Geauga High School (with two teams), Ledgemont High School (with two teams) and Hawken School (with one team); and

WHEREAS, each team is tested on their knowledge of soils, forestry, aquatics, wildlife and current environmental issues. This years' theme was "Protection of Groundwater through Urban, Agricultural and Environmental Planning". Working together, students gain team-building skills, knowledge of science and appreciation for local natural resources. The Chardon High School Envirothon Team BLACK competed with forty-five schools with seventy four teams in the Northeast Ohio Envirothon, and with over five hundred students, coaches and volunteers from seventeen counties which was hosted by Geauga County Soil and Water Conservation District and Trumbull Soil and Water Conservation District that was held at Camp Wise in Claridon Township on April 28, 2010; and

WHEREAS, 2010 Chardon High School Envirothon Team BLACK consists of the following five members: Katherine Walker, Robert Weir, Kristen Tysl, Brian Vadikin, and Casey O'Donnell; and

WHEREAS, Chardon High School Envirothon Team BLACK placed SECOND and will advance to the Ohio Envirothon to be held June of 2010. The winner of this event will proceed to the National Competition which Chardon High School has progressed to the National level for three years in a row, placing Fifth in 2006, Eleventh in 2007 and Fifth in 2008; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize and congratulate the Chardon High School Envirothon Team BLACK and their coach Marilyn Rohr on their accomplishment; and

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>

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Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute the following resolutions pertaining to Soil and Water Conservation Districts awards and Envirothon Education Council of Ohio (EECO):

*10-101 Kenston Team Blue 10-103 West Geauga Team Blue
10-102 Kenston Team Red 10-104 West Geauga Team White*

*10-105 Ledgemont Team 1 10-107 Hawken School
10-106 Ledgemont Team 2*

Resolution: 10-101

Date: May 27, 2010

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE KENSTON HIGH SCHOOL TEAM BLUE
AT THE 2010 NORTHEAST OHIO HIGH SCHOOL ENVIROTHON**

WHEREAS, the Envirothon is the largest academic, outdoor environmental competition for students in grades nine through twelve in North America. Geauga County was pleased to have five schools participating this year: Chardon High School (with two teams), Kenston High School (with two teams), West Geauga High School (with two teams), Ledgemont High School (with two teams) and Hawken School (with one team); and

WHEREAS, each team is tested on their knowledge of soils, forestry, aquatics, wildlife and current environmental issues. This years' theme was "Protection of Groundwater through Urban, Agricultural and Environmental Planning". Working together, students gain team-building skills, knowledge of science and appreciation for local natural resources. The Kenston High School Envirothon Team BLUE competed with forty-five schools with seventy four teams in the Northeast Ohio Envirothon, and with over five hundred students, coaches and volunteers from seventeen counties which was hosted by Geauga County Soil and Water Conservation District and Trumbull Soil and Water Conservation District that was held at Camp Wise in Claridon Township on April 28, 2010; and

WHEREAS, 2010 Kenston High School Envirothon Team BLUE consists of the following five members: Courtney Bryant, Rachel Bullock, Ryan Astalos, Drew Ross and Kerrstan Kure; and

WHEREAS, Kenston High School Envirothon Team BLUE placed EIGHTH; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize and congratulate the Kenston High School Envirothon Team BLUE and their coach Pam Zeigler on their accomplishment; and

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>

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Resolution: 10-102

Date: May 27, 2010

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE KENSTON HIGH SCHOOL TEAM RED
AT THE 2010 NORTHEAST OHIO HIGH SCHOOL ENVIROTHON**

WHEREAS, the Envirothon is the largest academic, outdoor environmental competition for students in grades nine through twelve in North America. Geauga County was pleased to have five schools participating this year: Chardon High School (with two teams), Kenston High School (with two teams), West Geauga High School (with two teams), Ledgemont High School (with two teams) and Hawken School (with one team); and

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WHEREAS, 2010 Kenston High School Envirothon Team RED consists of the following five members: Tess Ferguson, Megan Sand, Emma Rastatter, Emily Rees, and Cara Fagerholm; and

WHEREAS, Kenston High School Envirothon Team RED placed EIGHTEENTH; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize and congratulate the Kenston High School Envirothon Team RED and their coach Pam Zeigler on their accomplishment; and

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>

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Resolution: 10-103

Date: May 27, 2010

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE WEST GEAUGA HIGH SCHOOL TEAM BLUE
AT THE 2010 NORTHEAST OHIO HIGH SCHOOL ENVIROTHON**

WHEREAS, the Envirothon is the largest academic, outdoor environmental competition for students in grades nine through twelve in North America. Geauga County was pleased to have five schools participating this year: Chardon High School (with two teams), Kenston High School (with two teams), West Geauga High School (with two teams), Ledgemont High School (with two teams) and Hawken School (with one team); and

WHEREAS, each team is tested on their knowledge of soils, forestry, aquatics, wildlife and current environmental issues. This years' theme was "Protection of Groundwater through Urban, Agricultural and Environmental Planning". Working together, students gain team-building skills, knowledge of science and appreciation for local natural resources. The West Geauga High School Envirothon Team BLUE competed with forty-five schools with seventy four teams in the Northeast Ohio Envirothon, and with over five hundred students, coaches and volunteers from seventeen counties which was hosted by Geauga County Soil and Water Conservation District and Trumbull Soil and Water Conservation District that was held at Camp Wise in Claridon Township on April 28, 2010; and

WHEREAS, 2010 West Geauga High School Envirothon Team BLUE consists of the following five members: Rachael Mathiott, Jessica Herman, Katie Felding, Mariah Wright, and Niko Manella; and

WHEREAS, West Geauga High School Envirothon Team BLUE placed FORTY-THIRD; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize and congratulate the West Geauga High School Envirothon Team BLUE and their coach Mike Sustin on their accomplishment; and

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

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Resolution: 10-104
Date: May 27, 2010

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE WEST GEAUGA HIGH SCHOOL TEAM WHITE
AT THE 2010 NORTHEAST OHIO HIGH SCHOOL ENVIROTHON**

WHEREAS, the Envirothon is the largest academic, outdoor environmental competition for students in grades nine through twelve in North America. Geauga County was pleased to have five schools participating this year: Chardon High School (with two teams), Kenston High School (with two teams), West Geauga High School (with two teams), Ledgemont High School (with two teams) and Hawken School (with one team); and

WHEREAS, each team is tested on their knowledge of soils, forestry, aquatics, wildlife and current environmental issues. This years' theme was "Protection of Groundwater through Urban, Agricultural and Environmental Planning". Working together, students gain team-building skills, knowledge of science and appreciation for local natural resources. The West Geauga High School Envirothon Team WHITE competed with forty-five schools with seventy four teams in the Northeast Ohio Envirothon, and with over five hundred students, coaches and volunteers from seventeen counties which was hosted by Geauga County Soil and Water Conservation District and Trumbull Soil and Water Conservation District that was held at Camp Wise in Claridon Township on April 28, 2010; and

WHEREAS, 2010 West Geauga High School Envirothon Team WHITE consists of the following five members: Maddie Herman, Hayden Dietrich, Kelli Wright, Janelle Aden, and Cassie Vasko; and

WHEREAS, West Geauga High School Envirothon Team WHITE placed SIXTY-FOURTH; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize and congratulate the West Geauga High School Envirothon Team WHITE and their coach Mike Sustin on their accomplishment; and

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

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

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Resolution: 10-105
Date: May 27, 2010

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE LEDGEMONT HIGH SCHOOL TEAM ONE
AT THE 2010 NORTHEAST OHIO HIGH SCHOOL ENVIROTHON**

WHEREAS, the Envirothon is the largest academic, outdoor environmental competition for students in grades nine through twelve in North America. Geauga County was pleased to have five schools participating this year: Chardon High School (with two teams), Kenston High School (with two teams), West Geauga High School (with two teams), Ledgemont High School (with two teams) and Hawken School (with one team); and

WHEREAS, each team is tested on their knowledge of soils, forestry, aquatics, wildlife and current environmental issues. This years' theme was "Protection of Groundwater through Urban, Agricultural and Environmental Planning". Working together, students gain team-

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building skills, knowledge of science and appreciation for local natural resources. The Ledgemont High School Envirothon Team ONE competed with forty-five schools with seventy four teams in the Northeast Ohio Envirothon, and with over five hundred students, coaches and volunteers from seventeen counties which was hosted by Geauga County Soil and Water Conservation District and Trumbull Soil and Water Conservation District that was held at Camp Wise in Claridon Township on April 28, 2010; and

WHEREAS, 2010 Ledgemont High School Envirothon Team ONE consists of the following five members: Jim Marsic, Sarah Fontana, Max Adams, Emily McGlone, and Traci Stegh; and

WHEREAS, Ledgemont High School Envirothon Team ONE placed THIRTY-SIXTH; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize and congratulate the Ledgemont High School Envirothon Team ONE and their coach Katie Ritts on their accomplishment; and

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>

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Resolution: 10-106

Date: May 27, 2010

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE LEDGEMONT HIGH SCHOOL TEAM TWO
AT THE 2010 NORTHEAST OHIO HIGH SCHOOL ENVIROTHON**

WHEREAS, the Envirothon is the largest academic, outdoor environmental competition for students in grades nine through twelve in North America. Geauga County was pleased to have five schools participating this year: Chardon High School (with two teams), Kenston High School (with two teams), West Geauga High School (with two teams), Ledgemont High School (with two teams) and Hawken School (with one team); and

WHEREAS, each team is tested on their knowledge of soils, forestry, aquatics, wildlife and current environmental issues. This years' theme was "Protection of Groundwater through Urban, Agricultural and Environmental Planning". Working together, students gain team-building skills, knowledge of science and appreciation for local natural resources. The Ledgemont High School Envirothon Team TWO competed with forty-five schools with seventy four teams in the Northeast Ohio Envirothon, and with over five hundred students, coaches and volunteers from seventeen counties which was hosted by Geauga County Soil and Water Conservation District and Trumbull Soil and Water Conservation District that was held at Camp Wise in Claridon Township on April 28, 2010; and

WHEREAS, 2010 Ledgemont High School Envirothon Team TWO consists of the following five members: Shane Ritts, Zack Grabinski, Rick Loveland, Liz Cadorette, and Adam Rempel; and

WHEREAS, Ledgemont High School Envirothon Team TWO placed TWENTY-FIRST; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize and congratulate the Ledgemont High School Envirothon Team TWO and their coach Gale Rempel on their accomplishment; and

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>

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**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE HAWKEN HIGH SCHOOL TEAM
AT THE 2010 NORTHEAST OHIO HIGH SCHOOL ENVIROTHON**

WHEREAS, the Envirothon is the largest academic, outdoor environmental competition for students in grades nine through twelve in North America. Geauga County was pleased to have five schools participating this year: Chardon High School (with two teams), Kenston High School (with two teams), West Geauga High School (with two teams), Ledgemont High School (with two teams) and Hawken School (with one team); and

WHEREAS, each team is tested on their knowledge of soils, forestry, aquatics, wildlife and current environmental issues. This years' theme was "Protection of Groundwater through Urban, Agricultural and Environmental Planning". Working together, students gain team-building skills, knowledge of science and appreciation for local natural resources. The Hawken High School Envirothon Team competed with forty-five schools with seventy four teams in the Northeast Ohio Envirothon, and with over five hundred students, coaches and volunteers from seventeen counties which was hosted by Geauga County Soil and Water Conservation District and Trumbull Soil and Water Conservation District that was held at Camp Wise in Claridon Township on April 28, 2010; and

WHEREAS, 2010 Hawken High School Envirothon Team consists of the following five members: Seth Shill, Joseph Soltzberg, Kevin Wang, Jacob Jaffe, and Adil Menon; and

WHEREAS, Hawken High School Envirothon Team placed SEVENTEENTH; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize and congratulate the Hawken High School Envirothon Team and their coach Penny Orr on their accomplishment; and

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>

Ms. Shale stated that no one knew who nominated who for what awards and they were very surprised to find out how many awards were won by Geauga County. Soil and Water inter-coordinates with a lot of other agencies. Nancy Speck volunteers with the teacher workshops. Mike Sustin attended a teacher workshop by Soil and Water and won an award on based one of the things he learned at the workshop put on by Soil and Water. Commissioner Jemison commented that it shows that SWCD's educational outreach is working. Ms. Shale replied that this is why they do what they do. Ms. Speck commented that what they do is important because they (the students) are the ones that will be protecting the environment.

SWCD Chairman of the Board Ken Folsom thanked the Commissioners for recognizing the schools and SWCD staff. The SWCD Board is very proud of their staff and volunteers, they make the programs what they are and they are appreciated. Ms. Shale thanked the Commissioners for continuing to support SWCD. Geauga County sets the standard for a lot of things.

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute the following resolutions pertaining to Soil and Water Conservation Districts awards and Envirothon Education Council of Ohio (EECO):

10-108 Christy Dixon Award – Katie Nainiger

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**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 2010
ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION COUNCIL OF OHIO (EECO)
CHRISTY DIXON AWARD WINNER
KATIE NAINIGER**

WHEREAS, Environmental Education Council of Ohio (EECO) is education in, about and for the environment. Education in the environment helps people develop sensitivity to their surroundings and the natural world and promotes understanding of the natural, physical and social system that make up our environment and motivates people to work to improve the environment; and

WHEREAS, (EECO) provides leadership and resources for environmental education throughout the state of Ohio, provides outreach to educators and promotes collaboration among agencies, organizations and institutions interested in environmental education in Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Katie Nainiger serves as the Conservation Education Coordinator for Geauga County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) and designs education programs that focus on Geauga County's natural resources and aligns them to the Academic Content Standards. She has created activities for teachers to do with their students before and after the scheduled presentations from Geauga County SWCD; and

WHEREAS, Katie Nainiger currently serves on the Ohio Department of Education Science Range Finding Committee, is a council member of Western Reserve Resource Development and Conservation, and is also a member of the National Association of Interpretation.; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize and congratulate Katie Nainiger on this prestigious award that exemplifies her hard work and the impact on the county; and

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 the following resolutions pertaining to Soil and Water Conservation Districts awards and Envirothon Education Council of Ohio (EECO):

10-109 Outstanding Environmental Educator / Formal Education – Mike Sustin

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Resolution: 10-109
Date: May 27, 2010

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 2010
ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION COUNCIL OF OHIO (EECO)
OUTSTANDING ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATOR IN THE FIELD OF FORMAL EDUCATION
WINNER MIKE SUSTIN, WEST GEAUGA HIGH SCHOOL**

WHEREAS, Environmental Education Council of Ohio (EECO) is education in, about and for the environment. Education in the environment helps people develop sensitivity to their surroundings and the natural world and promotes understanding of the natural, physical and social system that make up our environment and motivates people to work to improve the environment; and

WHEREAS, (EECO) provides leadership and resources for environmental education throughout the state of Ohio, provides outreach to educators and promotes collaboration among agencies, organizations and institutions interested in environmental education in Ohio; and

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WHEREAS, Mike Sustin coordinates educational opportunities to maximize resources for his students with local organizations such as Geauga County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD), Western Reserve Land Conservancy, Holden Arboretum, Cleveland Museum of Natural History, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Division of Wildlife, and the Geauga Park District; and

WHEREAS, Mike Sustin has attended past Teacher Workshops hosted by Geauga SWCD and with information he learned he conducted his own environmental experience study / field trip with a group of students over the summer. Mike received a grant to make a new Outdoor Classroom area at West Geauga High School a reality with its trail and accompanying resource material kit; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize and congratulate Mike Sustin on this prestigious award that exemplifies his hard work and the impact on the county; and

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 the following resolutions pertaining to Soil and Water Conservation Districts awards and Envirothon Education Council of Ohio (EECO):

10-110 Outstanding Environmental Educator / Nonformal Education – Ron Etling

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Resolution: 10-110
Date: May 27, 2010

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 2010
ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION COUNCIL OF OHIO (EECO)
OUTSTANDING ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATOR IN THE FIELD OF NONFORMAL
EDUCATION WINNER RON ETLING**

WHEREAS, Environmental Education Council of Ohio (EECO) is education in, about and for the environment. Education in the environment helps people develop sensitivity to their surroundings and the natural world and promotes understanding of the natural, physical and social system that make up our environment and motivates people to work to improve the environment; and

WHEREAS, (EECO) provides leadership and resources for environmental education throughout the state of Ohio, provides outreach to educators and promotes collaboration among agencies, organizations and institutions interested in environmental education in Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Ron Etling serves as the District Conservation Educator for Geauga County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD), known as “Mr. E” with children in the schools of Geauga County, he brings enthusiasm and the desire to learn more to students. Ron is also known as the animal guy from Geauga SWCD who does the popular “Riparian Rescue” presentation using amphibians to explain the importance of protecting their habitat including the soils, vegetation and water they rely on for survival; and

WHEREAS, Ron Etling is only part time with Geauga SWCD, but is a retired teacher that wanted to get back into the education field in a capacity that would allow him to do what he loves and does this by presenting over 300 programs per year to various schools and groups in Geauga County; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize and congratulate Ron Etling on this prestigious award that exemplifies his hard work and the impact on the county; and

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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>

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute the following resolutions pertaining to Soil and Water Conservation Districts awards and Envirothon Education Council of Ohio (EECO):

10-111 Outstanding Volunteer Award – Nancy Speck

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Resolution: 10-111
Date: May 27, 2010

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 2010
ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION COUNCIL OF OHIO (EECO)
VOLUNTEER AWARD WINNER NANCY SPECK**

WHEREAS, Environmental Education Council of Ohio (EECO) is education in, about and for the environment. Education in the environment helps people develop sensitivity to their surroundings and the natural world and promotes understanding of the natural, physical and social system that make up our environment and motivates people to work to improve the environment; and

WHEREAS, (EECO) provides leadership and resources for environmental education throughout the state of Ohio, provides outreach to educators and promotes collaboration among agencies, organizations and institutions interested in environmental education in Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Nancy Speck serves as an Associate Board Supervisor for Geauga Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD), is a consultant on numerous educational endeavors, and volunteers with the District regularly as an integral part of the annual Teacher Workshops each summer. Nancy is a second time award winner, having won this award in 2005; and

WHEREAS, Nancy Speck has been a retired educator for the last twenty years, but practices what she preaches to educators, that you should “Take your students Outside”, and that it’s imperative to learning that you have fun. Nancy believes that there is always a good lesson out of every bad time, and that life is a gift that you should live to the fullest everyday; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize and congratulate Nancy Speck on this prestigious award that exemplifies her hard work and the impact on the county; and

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 the following resolutions pertaining to Soil and Water Conservation Districts awards and Envirothon Education Council of Ohio (EECO):

*10-112 Organization Award – Salamander Education and Environmental Discovery –
West Geauga Schools*

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Resolution: 10-112

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*RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 2010
ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION COUNCIL OF OHIO (EECO)
ORGANIZATION AWARD WINNER
SEED (SALAMANDER EDUCATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL DISCOVERY) OF WEST
GEAUGA SCHOOLS*

WHEREAS, Environmental Education Council of Ohio (EECO) is education in, about and for the environment. Education in the environment helps people develop sensitivity to their surroundings and the natural world and promotes understanding of the natural, physical and social system that make up our environment and motivates people to work to improve the environment; and

WHEREAS, (EECO) provides leadership and resources for environmental education throughout the state of Ohio, provides outreach to educators and promotes collaboration among agencies, organizations and institutions interested in environmental education in Ohio; and

WHEREAS, SEED (Salamander Education and Environmental Discovery) of West Geauga Schools is an initiative from West Geauga High School students, Claire Slusarz, Mariah Wright, Kelli Wright, Shawn Cooper, Zak Kucera, and Clay McMullen to implement sustainable living practices through action, outdoor education, and community education. Ron Etling from Geauga SWCD has done numerous programs and presentations to assist them with getting the Spotted Salamander designated as the State Amphibian; and

WHEREAS, SEED (Salamander Education and Environmental Discovery) students, have implemented recycling programs, planted trees, set up gardens at the middle school, and their big project has been by successfully applying to the Ohio EPA for \$70,000.00 for diesel particulate filters for school buses; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize and congratulate SEED (Salamander Education and Environmental Discovery) students from West Geauga Schools on this prestigious award that exemplifies their hard work and the impact on the county; and

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

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

*COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CLEAN OHIO
REVITALIZATION FUND APPLICATION – CHARDON PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT
PROJECT*

Motion: by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Jemison to approve and execute Resolution 10-114 in support of an application to the clean Ohio council.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Resolution: 10-114

Date: May 27, 2010

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF AN APPLICATION TO THE CLEAN OHIO COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Geauga County is interested in supporting the City of Chardon Application to the Clean Ohio Council for the Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund – Chardon Property Development Project.

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio, through the Clean Ohio Council, provides financial assistance to local governments for the purpose of addressing local needs; and

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WHEREAS, the City of Chardon is submitting a Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund Program Application to complete eligible activities, including but not limited to the performance of remedial activities at the Chardon Property Development redevelopment project; and

WHEREAS, the Chardon Property Development Project is an approximately 11 acre property located principally at 373 Washington Street, Chardon, Ohio identified as Permanent Parcel Numbers 10-031600, 10-031800, 10-031700, 10-164823, 10-165321, 10-031100, 10-031500, 10-030700, 10-030800, 10-006800, 10-031300, 10-030900 and 10-165660 and located within the boundary of Geauga County;

WHEREAS, the City of Chardon intends to remediate the property, which formerly operated as the Chardon Rubber Company for redevelopment into a rubber compounding business to be operated by Chardon Custom Polymers, LLC; and

WHEREAS, Geauga County supports the City of Chardon in its effort to prepare and submit the Grant Application for the Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund and to pursue the remediation and redevelopment of the property. The Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund grant is vital to making the completion of the Chardon Property Development redevelopment project economically feasible.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that Geauga County is in favor of the City of Chardon's Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund application for work at the Chardon Property Development Project, and the District (OPWC District 7) Integrating Committee and the Clean Ohio Council are encouraged to fund this innovative and worthwhile project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution become a 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>

OTHER

The Board reviewed calendars and events.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a) Annual ditch reports filed by the County Engineer for the three County ditches (Manchester Ditch, Chester Township; Weidinger Ditch, Chester Township; Ravenwood Ditch, Bainbridge Township.*
- b) The County Engineer's Office Year 2010 Annual Sufficiency Rating Report and General Bridge Appraisal Report for Geauga County, pursuant to ORC 5543.20.*

MEETINGS

*Mon., 5/31 **The County Offices will be closed in honor of the Memorial Day Holiday.***

*Tue., 6/1 **The Regularly scheduled Commissioners' meeting is cancelled.***

Thu., 6/3 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

Thu., 6/3 Public Hearing #2 to discuss Geauga County's application to the Ohio Department of Development, Office of Housing and Community Partnerships for funding under the Fiscal Year 2010 Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Formula Program at 10:30 a.m.

Tue., 6/8 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

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Tues., 6/8 A public hearing for the proposed rehiring of Kathy Petrella as a retirant and employment to the position of Assistant Director, to be effective July 1, 2010. This public hearing will be held at 10:30 a.m.

Tues., 6/8 Planning Commission meeting at 7:30 p.m. at Building #1C, 470 Center Street

*Thu., 6/10 **The Regularly scheduled Commissioners' meeting is cancelled.***

Fri., 6/11 NOACA Governing Board meeting at 10:00 a.m. at NOACA Offices

Tue., 6/15 The Commissioners will hold regular session.

*Thu., 6/17 **The Regularly scheduled Commissioners' meeting is cancelled as the Board will be attending Congressman Steven LaTourette's Elected Officials Conference in Washington***

Fri., 6/18 NOACA TAC meeting at NOACA Offices

BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER SAMIDE ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 11:12 A.M.

Geauga County Board of Commissioners

William S. Young

Tracy A. Jemison

Mary E. Samide

Claudine Kozenko, Commissioners' Clerk