

**Commissioners' Journal**  
**August 5, 2014**

*The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on August 5, 2014 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, Ralph Spidalieri 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 Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of July 24, 2014.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Rear</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>

APPROVE FINANCIALS

*Budget and Finance Administrator Heidi Delaney explained the financials for today as including a Revenue Certification for the Transit Department for a CORSA reimbursement; an Appropriation transfer from the Contingency account to return appropriations to the Sheriff's Office for web check expenses reimbursed and deposited into the General Fund; Supplemental appropriations for the Job and Family Public Assistance Fund, the Transit operating fund and the Juvenile Court's CASA fund; Cash transfers out of the General Fund for portions of 2014 funding for Court Technology and CASA; Travel encumbrances for the Clerk of Courts, Department of Emergency Services, Juvenile Court and Maintenance Department; a payment to Envirocom for the Thompson Township Sewer Project for the Office of Community and Economic Development and the Department of Water Resources totaling \$94,211.53; a payment to Burton Carpet Shoppe for carpet replacement for the lobbies and hallways of the Job and Family Services building for the Maintenance Department in the amount of \$20,028.94; a payment to Adventure Chrysler Jeep for the purchase of (2) 2014 Jeep Patriots for the Department of Job and Family Services in the amount of \$21,258.50 each, and a payment to VitaMix Corporation for the purchase of 15 VitaMix machines for county offices in the amount of \$2,985.00.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to approve and execute Resolution #14-127 itemizing the financials for the meeting of August 5, 2014.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Rear</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye*</i>

*\*Commissioner Spidalieri stated that he approved the financials except for the VitaMix purchase.*

BOARD OF ELECTIONS – SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

*Mr. Spidalieri stated that this was a follow up to a previous discussion regarding the need to set up this fund to replace voting equipment.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to authorize the Geauga County Auditor to establish a special revenue fund to be known as the Election Revenue Fund (per O.R.C. 3501.17(1) assigned to be used for the replacement of voting equipment.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Rear</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>

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DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – SERVICE CONTRACT AGREEMENT – LIQUID ENGINEERING CORPORATION

Assistant Sanitary Engineer Gerald Morgan stated that this contract with Liquid Engineering is to do some underwater maintenance on the Tower, noting that they are scuba certified and this eliminates the need to drain the tank. Mr. Morgan stated that the tower is 500,000 gallons, and this maintenance protects the tower from rusting.

*Motion:* by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to approve and execute the service Contract Agreement with Liquid Engineering Corporation to perform underwater maintenance as it relates to the installation of one cathodic protection system of the Bainbridge Water Tower in an amount not to exceed \$2,100.00.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Rear	Aye
	Commissioner Spidalieri	Aye

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – AGREEMENT – GPD ASSOCIATES

Mr. Morgan stated that this is for the Troy Oaks project, adding that they had received approval from ODOT to run a force main across the causeway at State Route 422 which will turn Troy Oaks from a wastewater treatment plant into a pump station and upgrading Auburn Corners as a way to eliminate a treatment plant. Mr. Morgan explained that the pipe will installed first to make sure there are no issues, which includes soil testing, and at the bridge it will go under the water, noting that the pipe is encased in a carrier pipe to protect against any leaks that may occur. Mr. Morgan stated that the City of Akron seems pleased since it will eliminate a discharge into their water system.

*Motion:* by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to approve and execute the Agreement between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and GPD Associates for Engineering Services for the Troy Oaks Waste Water Treatment Plant Conversion in an amount not to exceed \$117,848.00.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Rear	Aye
	Commissioner Spidalieri	Aye

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – RESIGNATION OF MEAGHAN BASILONE – SUMMER HELP

Mr. Morgan explained that Ms. Basilone had been extremely productive and helpful for the summer, noting that she had completed college and at the end of the year will begin teaching at Notre Dame.

*Motion:* by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to accept the resignation of Meaghan Basilone, Summer Help (#0101) to be effective August 5, 2014.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Rear	Aye
	Commissioner Spidalieri	Aye

OTHER – THOMPSON TOWNSHIP SEWER PLANT

There was a brief discussion about how the project was progressing, and that last week they had started to do the underground boring for the pipe.

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – SIGNATURE AND NO-LITIGATION CERTIFICATE AND COMMUNICATION SYSTEM NOTE, SERIES 2014

County Auditor Frank Gliha explained that a few weeks ago they discussed going out for bid for interest rates for the \$3,000,000.00 Note for the Communications System and the lowest came from PNC Bank for 0.316. Mr. Gliha stated that this is the lowest bid ever received and credited the Board for being a solid stable environment and are a very low credit risk. Mr. Gliha stated that to rent the \$3 million dollars we will pay only \$9,480.00 and this will be the lowest percentage amount we have ever paid.

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*Motion:* by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to approve and execute the Signature and No-Litigation Certificate in connection with the \$3,000,000.00 Communication System Note, Series 2014.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Rear	Aye
	Commissioner Spidalieri	Aye

*Motion:* by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to approve and execute the Communication System Note, Series 2014 in the amount of \$3,000,000.00.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Rear	Aye
	Commissioner Spidalieri	Aye

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE –ACCEPT RETIREMENT RESIGNATION – COLLEEN LOCKHART

*Mr. Lair read the following email from Director Glen Vernick:*

*I understand that I don't have much to say about this subject but I wanted to express my feelings on the subject. Item #9 on session today I truly hope the Commissioners do not approve. Yes it sounds greedy but whether I've been right or wrong Colleen has sent me down the correct civilian path with many great success stories and kept me out of trouble. We have worked with each other with many items such as buildings, safety, insurances and the list goes on and always been a pleasure to work with her knowing it will get done correctly. She will be truly missed.*

*Commissioner Samide stated that Ms. Lockhart is the voice of reason, knowledge and experience to keep the Board on the right road. Clerk of Court, Denise Kaminski stated that she was top of the line and noted that the Board had a lot of top of the line employees working for them.*

*Motion:* by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to accept the retirement resignation of Colleen Lockhart, Human Resources Administrator (#1314) to be effective October 1, 2014.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Rear	Aye
	Commissioner Spidalieri	Aye

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING LOCATION OF AUGUST 14, 2014 MEETING AT DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES – DES

*Motion:* by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to approve and execute Resolution #14-128 establishing the location of the August 14, 2014 regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners be held at the Department of Emergency Services.

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Date:* August 5, 2014

*Resolution:* 14-128

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE LOCATION OF THE AUGUST 14, 2014 REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BE HELD AT THE DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES (DES)**

*WHEREAS, The Geauga County Board of Commissioners would like to receive an update and hold discussion regarding the flooding, property damage, clean up and assistance from a recent storm; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby establishes the location of the Thursday, August 14, 2014 meeting of the Geauga County Board of Commissioners be held at the Department of Emergency Services (DES), located at 12518 Merritt Road, Chardon, and will begin at 10:00 a.m.*

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

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Rear</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS AND PROCEDURES FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF SUBDIVISION ROADS IN GEAUGA COUNTY

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

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Rear</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>

*Commissioner Spidalieri opened the public hearing at 10:20 a.m. and Deputy Engineer Nick Gorris explained the three big changes that amended the regulations as including a change to how maintenance and paving guarantees are held within the Commissioners' Office, updated the regulations to ODOT CMS revisions since the last regulations were put into place, and matched the cement stabilizations requirements to what is currently being used on the roadways. Being no further comments or questions the public hearing was closed at 10:22 a.m.*

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a) A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the week ending July 23, 2014 as required by O.R.C. 955.12.*

OTHER

*The Board reviewed upcoming events.*

MEETINGS

- Wed., 8/6 Preventing Employment Claims Before They Occur (Training), 2:00 p.m. 470 Center St. Building #8*
- Fri., 8/8 NOACA – External Affairs, 8:30 a.m.; Policy, 9:30 a.m.; and Planning and Programming 11:00 a.m., Cleveland*
- Tue., 8/12 The Commissioners' will hold regular session.*
- Tue., 8/12 Planning Commission meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Planning Commission meeting room, Bldg. #1C, 470 Center Street, Chardon*
- Thu., 8/14 The Commissioners' will hold regular session at the Department of Emergency Services (DES)*
- Mon., 8/18 Family First Council, 2:00 p.m. at Mental Health and Recovery Services*
- Tue., 8/19 The Commissioners' will hold regular session.*
- Tue., 8/19 County Home Annual Meeting, 11:30 a.m.*
- Mon., 8/25 Board of Revision, 9:00 a.m. Auditor's Office*
- Tue., 8/26 The Commissioners' will hold regular session.*
- Thu., 8/28 The Commissioners' will hold regular session at the Great Geauga County Fair, 10:00 a.m. at the Junior Fair 4-H Stage*
- 8/28 – 9/1 The Great Geauga County Fair*

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*Mon., 9/1 County offices will be closed for general business due to the Labor Day holiday.*

*Tue., 9/2 The Regularly scheduled Commissioners' meeting is cancelled.*

**BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER SAMIDE ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 10:23 A.M.**

*Geauga County Board of Commissioners*

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*Ralph Spidalieri*

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*Blake A. Rear*

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*Mary E. Samide*

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*Christine Blair, Commissioners' Clerk*

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