

**Commissioners' Journal**  
**January 5, 2017**

*The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on January 5, 2017 at 9:00 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 Vice President of the Board, Ralph Spidalieri opened the meeting at 9:04 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.*

*\*Commissioner Claypool was absent from today's meeting.*

*Commissioner Spidalieri welcomed new Commissioner Tim Lennon. Mr. Lennon stated he was excited and looking forward to the challenge.*

**FINANCIALS**

*County Administrator David Lair reported on financials from December 29, 2016, Resolution #16-170 that included Supplemental De-Appropriations for various funds for yearend compliance requirements and a Revenue Certification for the County Engineer's Office, as approved by the County Administrator pursuant to the motion approved January 5, 2016 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 or on a day when financials need to be approved, the required approvals for county financials on behalf of the Board during the Year 2016, as authorized by O.R.C. 305.30.*

**FINANCIALS**

*Mr. Lair reported on financials from January 4, 2017, Resolution #17-001 that included a Cash transfer to the Common Pleas Pre-Sentence Investigation Report fund for a payroll advance for grant funding not yet received, and a Cash transfer to the County Home for the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2017 funding, as approved by the County Administrator pursuant to the motion approved December 29, 2016 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 or on a day when financials need to be approved, the required approvals for county financials on behalf of the Board during the Year 2017, as authorized by O.R.C. 305.30.*

**APPROVE FINANCIALS**

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve the encumbrances to be considered by the Board of Commissioners at their first meeting in January 2017 to be effective January 1, 2017.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Claypool</i>	<i>Absent</i>

*Budget and Finance Administrator II Anne Rasic explained the financials for today as including Contracts, Purchase Orders and Travel requests for various departments for the New Year.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute Resolution #17-002 itemizing the financials for the meeting of January 5, 2017.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Claypool</i>	<i>Absent</i>

**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – SATISFACTIONS OF MORTGAGE – JOHN D. AND CINDY L. CHAMBERS**

*Program Administrator Joni Stusek explained that the County used to have a program called the Community Home Improvement Program (CHIP) that provided funding for down payment assistance and rehab for low and moderate income residents. This program was discontinued about ten years ago but under HUD requirements, the owner is required to be in the house 8*

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years, by that point 80% of the mortgage disappears but the remaining 20% is due back to the County. These two satisfactions of mortgage are for a repayment of that twenty percent. Commissioner Lennon asked about how many remaining mortgages we have remaining under this program. Ms. Stusek stated about 15-20, while there are other programs that still have remaining mortgages in place. Ms. Stusek stated that the substantial rehab and emergency repair are no longer being done, the infrastructure program for septic and wells is not actively being used, which was a 100% repayment. Director Anita Stocker stated that the infrastructure program has brought back a lot of funding, and the recovery rate is around 70-75%, noting that if it's not paid back they could go to foreclosure.

*Motion:* by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute a Satisfaction of Mortgage for John D. and Cindy L. Chambers for property located at 14624 Woodbury Drive, Newbury, under Grant #B-C-99-026-1, as the mortgage in the original amount of \$6,800.00 has been satisfied and the mortgage is no longer necessary to secure the County's interests.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Claypool</i>	<i>Absent*</i>

*Motion:* by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute a Satisfaction of Mortgage for John D. Chambers and Cindy L. Chambers for property located at 14624 Woodbury Drive, Newbury, under Grant #B-C-99-026-2, as the mortgage in the original amount of \$11,081.00 has been satisfied and the mortgage is no longer necessary to secure the County's interests.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Claypool</i>	<i>Absent</i>

**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – RESOLUTION  
AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF THE HOUSING REVOLVING LOAN FUND  
ADMINISTRATION AGREEMENT AND THE ACTUAL AGREEMENT**

Ms. Stusek stated that this resolution is for the Agreement to administer those funds; while we aren't loaning any funds we are still collecting. Ms. Stocker stated that the funds are just sitting there, and eventually the state may take it, or if the County ever decides to do a program again, those funds are there.

*Motion:* by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute Resolution #17-003 Authorizing the Renewal of the Housing Revolving Loan Fund Administration Agreement for administration of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Programs.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

*Date:* January 5, 2017  
*Resolution:* 17-003

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF THE HOUSING REVOLVING LOAN  
FUND ADMINISTRATION AGREEMENT**

*This Resolution, made by Geauga County, Ohio, a County government with its main offices at 470 Center Street, Building Four, Chardon, Ohio (herein referred to as the "County"),*

**WITNESSETH:**

*WHEREAS, the County, through its Community & Economic Development Department, administers the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program for the State of Ohio, specifically the Program Income program known as the Housing Revolving Loan Fund Program;*

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*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County will adopt and abide by the terms of administration as set forth by the State of Ohio in the Housing Revolving Loan Administration Agreement effective January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2018.*

*IN WITNESS THEREOF, in Geauga County, Ohio, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners has caused this instrument to be executed this 5<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Claypool</i>	<i>Absent</i>

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and authorize the Vice President of the Board to execute the Housing Revolving Loan Fund Administration Agreement for the period January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2018.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Claypool</i>	<i>Absent</i>

*There was a brief discussion about \$200,000.00 in funds in the account. Former Commissioner Craig Albert played a role in discontinuing the program. Ms. Stocker explained that the Septic program was a good one, and once there are changes in administration there may be some changes coming. Commissioner Spidalieri stated that he had some ideas he wanted to discuss with her as a possible use for the funds. Mr. Lennon stated that septic systems were a hot topic that he heard about during the campaign.*

**OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – APPOINTMENT OF TIM LENNON (ANNE RASIC, ALTERNATE) TO THE TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL AND REINVESTMENT HOUSING COUNCIL**

*Ms. Stocker explained that this committee meets each March and the Commissioners can appoint a representative.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to appoint Tim Lennon (Anne Rasic, Alternate) to the Geauga County Tax Incentive Review Council and Reinvestment Housing Council for the remainder of the 2015-2016-2017 term.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Claypool</i>	<i>Absent</i>

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – APPOINT BRITTANY GAETA – PLANNING COMMISSION**

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to appoint Brittany Gaeta to the Planning Commission for a three year term ending December 31, 2019.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Claypool</i>	<i>Absent</i>

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

- a) A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the week ending December 21, 2016 as required by O.R.C. 955.12.*
- b) Western Reserve Land Conservancy's Annual Stewardship Report on the visit to the Mayer Preserve Conservation Easement Property.*
- c) Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities Board Minutes from November 16, 2016.*

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- d) *Appointment of Richard Suttell by Judge Timothy J. Grendell to the Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities*
- e) *Appointment of Blake A. Rear by Judge David L. Fuhry to the Veterans Service Commission*

**OTHER**

*The Board reviewed upcoming events.*

**MEETINGS**

*Fri. 1/6 – Sun. 1/8 Some of the Commissioners will attend the Fair Managers Convention in Columbus, Ohio*

*Mon., 1/9 Planning Commission meeting, 8:00 a.m. Building 1C*

*Mon., 1/9 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:00 a.m. that will include their Annual Re-Organization Meeting.*

*Mon., 1/9 ADP Organizational meeting, 1:00 p.m. Auditor's Office*

*Tue., 1/10 Board of Revision, 3:00 p.m. Auditor's Office*

*Thu., 1/12 Records Commission / Microfilm Board meetings, 10:00 a.m. Archives and Records Center*

*Mon., 1/16 **County offices will be closed for general business due to Martin Luther King Jr. holiday. Twenty-four hour operations will continue to operate as usual.***

*Thu., 1/19 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:00 a.m.*

*Mon. 1/23 Family First Council, 1:30 p.m. at Job and Family Services*

*Tue., 1/24 Investment Advisory Board, 8:45 a.m. Chambers*

*Tue., 1/24 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:00 a.m.*

*Fri., 1/27 NOACA Board of Directors meeting, 9:00 a.m. Cleveland*

*Tue., 1/31 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:00 a.m.*

***BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD***

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 a.m.*

*Geauga County Board of Commissioners*

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*Walter M. Claypool*

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*Ralph Spidalieri*

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*Timothy C. Lennon*

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*Christine Blair, Commissioners' Clerk*

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