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June 2, 2015

The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on June 2, 2015 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 President of the Board, Walter M. Claypool opened the meeting at 9:01 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE MINUTES

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of May 28, 2015.

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

APPROVE FINANCIALS

Budget and Finance Manager Heidi Delaney explained the financials for today as including a Cash transfer from the Emergency Management Fund to the Building Improvement fund for facility improvements; a Travel request for the Juvenile / Probate Court; and a payment to CT Consultants for system modeling and master planning for the Bainbridge Water System for the Department of Water Resources in the amount of \$2,575.88.

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute Resolution #15-072 itemizing the financials for the meeting of June 2 2015.

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

BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN MILL LIMITATION – REQUEST CERTIFICATION OF COUNTY AUDITOR OF DOLLAR AMOUNT GENERATED

Don Rice introduced three members from the Board of Developmental Disabilities that were in attendance that included Mark Jackson, Laura Jansen and her daughter Faith, and Dr. Dennis Schmidt. Mr. Rice expressed that when you start the process of going for a levy you need strong support and hope to see this support all the way through. Business Manager Steve Tucker asked the Board to allow the process for putting a levy on the ballot to proceed, noting that the first step is a request for certification from the Auditor of the dollar amount that would be generated from a 1 mill levy. Mr. Rice explained that this is the first request for new money since 2004, noting that those monies would have been expected to last for five years. In 2008 we knew that those funds could be stretched and then renewed those monies as a continuous with a promise of not coming back until 2011. The agency has made it to 2015 because we were able to stretch those levy monies out, but costs have caught up with us and for the last two years we have been living on "savings" from our carryovers and now we need to get back into the black. Mr. Rice stated that they are asking for a 1 mill, five year levy that will cost the taxpayer \$3.00 per month per \$100,000.00 of house value. Mr. Rice stated that the hope is that they will be able to extend these monies out beyond the five years. Commissioner Claypool expressed concern over the sizable increase in tax, adding that he respects and thinks highly of the agency and for the services they provide, but at the same time he respects the taxpayer dollars. Mr. Rice explained that the 1 mill levy will garner about \$2.9 million per year, and based on last year's expenditures a .5 mill levy is not enough. Mr. Rice stated that because expenses increase they need to build a levy that will help them travel beyond today. A levy does not increase over time, it is flat funding, and expenses increase every year. Mr. Rice expressed that the cost to put a levy on is about \$35,000.00, so they are trying to build this levy for a projection down the road that allows them to build a savings to meet those needs in future. Mr. Rice stated that 859 people were served last year at different levels, adding that they have tried to do everything they can to stretch the taxpayer dollars and still provide the same services. Mr. Rice noted that since 2003

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they have cut their staff in half from 350 down to 157. Commissioner Rear expressed that this is the first step in a two-step process that will allow the taxpayers the opportunity to decide if they want to approve this levy. Mr. Rear stated that Mr. Rice has shown that the need is there. Mr. Claypool inquired about a change in the type of levy and what impact that it has on real estate taxes, to which Mr. Rice stated that a 1 mill levy will cost the taxpayer \$35.00 a year on a \$100,000.00 house valuation, so depending on the valuation it will cost the taxpayer between \$35.00 - \$70.00 per year. Mr. Rice stated that during the last budget cycle the State changed the rules in regards to replacement levies. Currently the state pays a majority of the homestead exemption, if we make a change to a current levy it will cause the taxpayer to pick up a larger share of the homestead funding. Mr. Rice stated that we don't want the taxpayer to pay a bigger burden.

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute Resolution #15-073 Declaring it Necessary to Levy a Tax in Excess of the Ten Mill Limitation and requesting Certification of the County Auditor of the Dollar Amount Generated at the request of the Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities (Metzenbaum Center) as Authorized by O.R.C. 5705.03, .19, .191, .222, .25, and .26.

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RESOLUTION NO. 15-073

A RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN MILL LIMITATION AND REQUESTING CERTIFICATION OF THE COUNTY AUDITOR OF THE DOLLAR AMOUNT GENERATED AT THE REQUEST OF THE GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES (METZENBAUM CENTER) AS AUTHORIZED BY O.R.C. 5705.03, .19, .191, .222, .25 and .26

The Board of County Commissioners of the County of Geauga, State of Ohio, met in regular session on the 2nd day of June, 2015, commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. at the Commissioners' Chambers, 470 Center Street, Building #4, Chardon, Ohio, 44024, with the following members present:

Walter M. Claypool Ralph Spidalieri Blake A. Rear

The Clerk advised the Board of County Commissioners that the notice requirements of R.C. 121.22 and the implementing rules adopted by the Board thereto were complied with for the meeting.

Commissioner Rear moved for the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has determined that it is necessary to levy a tax outside the ten-mill limitation for the requirements of the Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities (Metzenbaum Center) established pursuant to Chapter 5126 of the Ohio Revised Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Geauga, State of Ohio, hereby certifies to the Geauga County Auditor this resolution requesting that the County Auditor certify to the Board of County Commissioners the total

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current tax valuation of Geauga County and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by an additional levy of one (1.00) mill.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio, two-thirds of all members elected thereto concurring, that it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten mill limitation for the benefit of the Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities (Metzenbaum Center) for the purpose of providing the Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities (Metzenbaum Center) with sufficient funds for the operation, and funding, of programs and services for individuals with developmental disabilities, and for the acquisition, construction, renovation, financing, maintenance, and operation of facilities for individuals with developmental disabilities, at a rate not exceeding one (1.00) mill for each one dollar (\$1.00) of valuation, which amounts to ten cents (\$0.10) for each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of valuation, for a period of five (5) years and which levy is an additional levy for said purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said levy shall be for a period of five (5) years and this levy is an additional levy of one (1.00) mill to be placed upon the tax year 2015 if a majority of the electors voting thereon vote in favor thereof at the general election to be held on November 3, 2015.

Commissioner Spidalieri seconded the motion.

Upon roll call on the adoption of the resolution, the vote was as follows:

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

COMMON PLEAS COURT / ADULT PROBATION – ADDENDUM TO COMMUNITY-BASED CORRECTIONS PROGRAMS 407 SUBSIDY GRANT AGREEMENT – FY 2015

Chief Probation Officer Ryan Franklin asked the Board to approve the addendum to the SMART grant for an additional \$43,000.00 for FY2015.

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Addendum to Community-Based Corrections Programs 407 Subsidy Grant Agreement for FY 2015 for the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 for an increase in the amount of \$43,000.00 for a FY2015 grant total in the amount of \$132,521.00 with no local match.

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

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COMMON PLEAS COURT / ADULT PROBATION – OHIO DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION AND CORRECTION SUBSIDY GRANT AGREEMENT – COMMUNITY-BASED CORRECTIONS PROGRAMS, NON-RESIDENTIAL MISDEMEANANT PROGRAMS – FY2016 – INTENSIVE SUPERVISION, PRE-SENTENCE INVESTIGATION AND PRE-TRIAL RELEASE

Mr. Franklin asked the Board to approve the grant for funding that is used to run the Intensive Supervision, Pre-sentence Investigation and Pre-Trial Release, adding that there was no change in the amounts from last year.

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction Subsidy Grant Agreement for Community-Based Corrections Programs, Non-Residential Misdemeanant Programs for FY2016 for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 in the amount of \$155,937.00 (\$62,402.00 for Intensive Supervision, \$26,000.00 for Pre-Sentence Investigation, and \$27,535.00 for Pre-Trial Release) with no local match.

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

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – ADVERTISE PUBLIC HEARING #1 – 2015 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT – SMALL CITIES PROGRAM

Assistant Program Administrator Kelly Conrad asked the Board to allow them to advertise for two Public Hearings, #1 and #2 for the Community Development Block Grant programs.

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to grant permission to advertise to hold Public Hearing #1 for the 2015 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Small Cities Program to be held on Tuesday, June 16, 2015 at 9:10 a.m. Notice of this Public Hearing will be advertised on June 4, 2015 and on the county website.

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

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – ADVERTISE PUBLIC HEARING #2 – 2015 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT – SMALL CITIES PROGRAM – FORMULA ALLOCATION PROGRAM

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to grant permission to advertise to hold Public Hearing #2 for the 2015 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Small Cities Program, Formula Allocation Program to be held on Tuesday, June 16, 2015 at 9:15 a.m. Notice of this Public Hearing will be advertised on June 4, 2015 and on the county website.

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

COUNTY HOME – APPROVE HIRING LORI WESTERFELD – FULL-TIME ATTENDANT (#1504)

Director Karen DeCola asked the Board to approve hiring Ms. Westerfeld for third shift, noting that this is a replacement.

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve hiring Lori Westerfeld to the position of Full-time Attendant (#1504) to be effective June 5, 2015 at a rate of \$9.39 per hour. After the successful completion of a 180 day probationary period the rate will increase to \$9.89 per hour.

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

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COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – AWARD BID – AERO-MARK, INCORPORATED – APPLICATION OF POLYESTER PAVEMENT MARKINGS, VARIOUS ROADS, GEAUGA COUNTY FOR YEAR 2015

County Engineer Joe Cattell and Deputy Engineer Nick Gorris asked the Board to award the Bid for polyester pavement markings throughout the County to Aero-Mark, as they represented the lowest and best bid.

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to award the bid to Aero-Mark, Incorporated for the Application of Polyester Pavement marking to Various Roads, Geauga County for the Year 2015 in the amount of \$215,215.00 as they represented the lowest and best bid. The Bid Bond submitted shall be held to serve as the Performance Bond for this project.

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

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – AWARD BID – EASTON LEASING, INCORPORATED – REPLACEMENT OF HEATH ROAD BRIDGES (STRUCTURE #105-5.02 AND 105-5.20)

Mr. Gorris stated that they needed to replace two structures on Heath Road, asking that the Board to award the bid to Easton Leasing as they represented the lowest and best bid.

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to award the bid to Easton Leasing, Incorporated for the Replacement of the Heath Road Bridges (Structure #105-5.02 and #105-5.20 in the amount of \$283,889.00 as they represented the lowest and best bid. The Bid Bond submitted shall be held to serve as the Performance Bond for this project.

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

A brief discussion was held regarding the Engineer's office addition and the salt storage structure. County Administrator David Lair asked Mr. Gorris to forward updated costs for both. Mr. Cattell briefly explained that they had gone out for proposal on salt, and the summer bids were opened for the State Bid and that due to the new building he was able to purchase 4,000 tons on summer bid. Mr. Cattell noted that the winter bids should be out in about 3 weeks, but that all the way around the prices are up.

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – SERVICE CONTRACT MAINTENANCE FORM #1 – INCREASE CONTRACT – HESS AND ASSOCIATES ENGINEERING, INCORPORATED

Director Doug Bowen explained the change order for engineering by Hess and Associates to include the Coy Lane Lift Station for 3-phase electrical service to get a better generator at that location.

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Service Contract Maintenance Form #1 increasing the contract with Hess and Associates Engineering, Incorporated to perform additional engineering for the inclusion of 3-phase electrical service for the Coy Lane Lift Station Replacement in the amount of \$2,000.00.

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

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – ADVERTISE HAWKSMOOR WAY SANITARY SEWER REALIGNMENT PROJECT

Mr. Bowen asked the Board to advertise for bids for the Hawkmoor sewer realignment due to erosion on the hillside that is exposing the sewer. Mr. Bowen stated that the project includes a crossover of the road with two sewer links and reconnection. Mr. Bowen stated that the estimate for the project is \$79,000.00. It was noted that it is located almost right across from the McFarland Treatment plant.

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Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to grant permission to advertise for bids for the Hawksmoor Way Sanitary Sewer Realignment project to be held on Wednesday, June 24, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. Notice of this bid opening will be advertised on June 5, 2015, June 12, 2015 and on the county website.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Rear	Aye
Commissioner Spidalieri	Aye
Commissioner Claypool	Aye

DEPARTMENT ON AGING – APPROVE REVISED JOB DESCRIPTIONS – TITLE CHANGE AND REVISED ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

Director Jessica Boalt explained that she was asking to approve the revisions to the Adult Day Service Coordinator, the Adult Day Service Aide and Assistant Adult Day Service Coordinator positions to be more accurate as to what they do day to day along with the requirements to each. Ms. Boalt stated that the Communication and Volunteer Specialist position was reviewed and revised to update the title and job description due to including additional outreach and marketing along with the administrative portion of the volunteer coordination portion of the position being shifted to the Home Delivered Meals Coordinator. Ms. Boalt asked that the organizational chart be revised to include the change to the title of that position.

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve the revised job description for the position of Adult Day Service Coordinator (#1007) to be effective June 2, 2015.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Rear	Aye
Commissioner Spidalieri	Aye
Commissioner Claypool	Aye

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve the revised job description for the position of Adult Day Service Aide (#1008) to be effective to be effective June 2, 2015.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Rear	Aye
Commissioner Spidalieri	Aye
Commissioner Claypool	Aye

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve the change to the job title and revised job description for the position of Community Outreach and Marketing Coordinator (#1027) formerly titled Communication and Volunteer Specialist to be effective June 2, 2015.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Rear	Aye
Commissioner Spidalieri	Aye
Commissioner Claypool	Aye

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve the revised job description for the position of Assistant Adult Day Service Coordinator (#1030) to be effective June 2, 2015.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Rear	Aye
Commissioner Spidalieri	Aye
Commissioner Claypool	Aye

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve the revised Organizational Chart to reflect the change of job title for the position of Community Outreach and Marketing Coordinator (#1027) to be effective June 2, 2015.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Rear	Aye
Commissioner Spidalieri	Aye
Commissioner Claypool	Aye

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DEPARTMENT ON AGING – 2015 SENIOR FARM MARKET AGREEMENTS

Ms. Boalt thanked the Board for approving the agreement for the farm market vouchers with the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging, explaining that is the federal farm market program for which we act as the distributor of those vouchers. Ms. Boalt stated that these agreements are for the local farm market program, noting that there has been a change to the program to mirror the federal program, eliminating the nutrition element. Ms. Boalt explained in detail that the previous program that was based around nutrition was changed at the advice of the Aging Advisory Board after reviewing data for the last seven years that did not identify any health improvements to those that were receiving the vouchers, however there is a need on the income based requirement and with a reduction in the amount of vouchers being received by the federal program, we have shifted the program to be like the federal program to still provide fresh fruits and vegetables to those seniors that meet the requirement. Ms. Boalt stated that those seniors that on home bound status that receive home delivered meals are receiving fresh fruits and vegetables and have been removed from the equation. Notifications are sent to the farms in the county and if they choose to participate they are required to return the agreement. Ms. Boalt explained that based on the numbers they anticipate serving 250 seniors through this program this year.

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Agreement with Jon Taylor (Burton Floral) for the 2015 Senior Farm Market for the period June 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015.

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

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Agreement with Paul Harris (Howards Apples) for the 2015 Senior Farm Market for the period June 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015.

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

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Agreement with J and J Produce for the 2015 Senior Farm Market for the period June 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015.

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

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Agreement with Sirna's Farm and Market for the 2015 Senior Farm Market for the period June 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015.

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

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Agreement with Raymond Byler (D and S Produce) for the 2015 Senior Farm Market for the period June 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015.

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

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Agreement with Barbara A. Foose (Blooming Patches Farm) for the 2015 Senior Farm Market for the period June 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015.

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Roll Call Vote: *Commissioner Rear* *Aye*
 Commissioner Spidalieri *Aye*
 Commissioner Claypool *Aye*

Motion: *by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Agreement with Bart Alcorn (MSK Produce, Incorporated) for the 2015 Senior Farm Market for the period June 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015.*

Roll Call Vote: *Commissioner Rear* *Aye*
 Commissioner Spidalieri *Aye*
 Commissioner Claypool *Aye*

Motion: *by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Agreement with Elizabeth Lockemer (River Stone Farm) for the 2015 Senior Farm Market for the period June 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015.*

Roll Call Vote: *Commissioner Rear* *Aye*
 Commissioner Spidalieri *Aye*
 Commissioner Claypool *Aye*

Motion: *by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Agreement with Steven Grover (Ridgeview Farm) for the 2015 Senior Farm Market for the period June 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015.*

Roll Call Vote: *Commissioner Rear* *Aye*
 Commissioner Spidalieri *Aye*
 Commissioner Claypool *Aye*

Motion: *by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Agreement with John and Bob Sage (Sage's Apples) for the 2015 Senior Farm Market for the period June 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015.*

Roll Call Vote: *Commissioner Rear* *Aye*
 Commissioner Spidalieri *Aye*
 Commissioner Claypool *Aye*

Motion: *by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Agreement with Patrick Cozzens (Maple Crest Farms) for the 2015 Senior Farm Market for the period June 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015.*

Roll Call Vote: *Commissioner Rear* *Aye*
 Commissioner Spidalieri *Aye*
 Commissioner Claypool *Aye*

Motion: *by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Agreement with Patterson Farms Incorporated (Patterson Fruit Farm) for the 2015 Senior Farm Market for the period June 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015.*

Roll Call Vote: *Commissioner Rear* *Aye*
 Commissioner Spidalieri *Aye*
 Commissioner Claypool *Aye*

Motion: *by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Agreement with Marvin A. Hershberger (Hershberger Produce) for the 2015 Senior Farm Market for the period June 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015.*

Roll Call Vote: *Commissioner Rear* *Aye*
 Commissioner Spidalieri *Aye*
 Commissioner Claypool *Aye*

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Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Agreement with Jacob J. Kauffman (River Valley Produce) for the 2015 Senior Farm Market for the period June 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015.

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

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Agreement with Pritt Family Farm for the 2015 Senior Farm Market for the period June 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015.

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

Ms. Boalt noted that the vouchers are sent to the participants and the farm submits the vouchers to us and we are then only reimbursing the farm for what is being redeemed, not for the full amount of the vouchers that have been provided to eligible seniors.

GEAUGA COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Geauga County Agricultural Society Board President Robert Phillips, Vice President Sam Plants, and Secretary Paul Harris came before the Board to update them on the current activities on the fairgrounds. Mr. Phillips stated that the Agricultural Society manages the 151 acres that the Commissioners own in Burton and Burton Township, and operate on a \$1.3 million dollar budget that is made usually over the five days of the fair. Mr. Phillips stated that they currently carry a debt of \$250,000.00, and that they also have a rainy day fund that allows them to operate the fair if they have a bad day during the five days. Mr. Claypool inquired about the cost to operate the fair, to which Mr. Phillips stated it's about \$1 million, which leaves a little left over to make the debt payments and about \$100,000.00 - \$125,000.00 for capital improvements. Mr. Phillips stated that they do look for funding to assist with the maintenance, adding that they have received funding through Community Development for paving and improvements to bathrooms for ADA compliance. Mr. Phillips explained that they are on the fast track to reaching the 200th Anniversary of the fair, to be held in 2022, and that they want to update the main grandstand that was built in 1951. They are looking at \$125,000.00 total cost to put in aluminum seats, painting of the ceiling beams and girders, as well as putting in a surface on the floors that is less slippery. Mr. Phillips stated that they are going to spread out the updates over the next five years so they don't have to do it all at once.

Mr. Phillips stated that they have a benefactor who has provided funds for a new LED sign, that will be one color and not like the one at Kent State. Mr. Phillips stated that they have raised the price of admission at the gate, but that the presale tickets will remain the same. Something new that they have added this year is Wallenda, of the Famous Wallenda family aerial act, who will perform 3 acts a day throughout the weekend.

Commissioner Spidalieri expressed that he had been contacted by several Veterans regarding concern over the flag with the parachute landing at the fair and when the parachutist lands that the flag hits the ground. Mr. Plants stated that they had heard that concern and that it comes down to intent, and there is no intent to harm the flag. Mr. Harris stated that they do take a precaution and tarp the field, which is not seen by those on the grounds, that is used for the target to land on with a group of spotters that once the parachutist lands they help pick up the flag. It was noted that because of the size of the flag (30' x 50') and the process in which he is positioned that if anyone tries to grab the flag there is a possibility of injuring the jumper due to the wind speed and direction during the jump. It was stressed that there is no intent to harm the flag.

Mr. Harris added that Friday is Veterans Day and all Veterans are admitted free, and any active service member is admitted free all weekend. There was a brief discussion about the rainy day fund and if it rains on Saturday or Sunday then they can pretty much wipe out any capital improvement funds for that year. Mr. Phillips expressed that every year they spend \$120,000.00 each year for entertainment throughout the weekend that is not charged for, noting that the demo derby and truck pulls are the only events that are charged for.

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There was discussion about the annual fair manager's convention and when you see and hear about the other county fairs throughout the state, how lucky we are to have the fair we have in our county. Mr. Harris noted that this year, Thursday will be free till 12:00 p.m. and then it will be a reduced rate of \$5.00 for the remainder of the day. The presale pass is \$5.00 a day and is good for the 5 days but can be used all at once for adults, versus paying the \$8.00 price of admission. Labor Day is late this year, the 7th. There was a brief discussion about the days that are tough and that the fair board tries to do different things to attract people on those days. There was a brief discussion about Jay Reda's vision and how lucky we are to have that natural resource area. Mr. Phillips stated that they are going to drain the two ponds and do some clean up to remove the silt that builds up and make them a little deeper.

ADDITION - COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – LETTER REGARDING GEAUGA COMMUNITY ACTION, INCORPORATED

Mr. Claypool stated that this letter is to express our intent to bring the Geauga Community Action, Incorporated up to the new standards that are being set by the State to continue operation of these funds within the County.

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute a letter to Sadicka White, Community Services Division Chief for the Ohio Development Services Agency regarding Geauga Community Action, Incorporated.

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

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a) A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the week ending May 13, 2015 and May 20, 2015, as required by O.R.C. 955.12.*
- b) Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities Board Minutes from April 15, 2015.*

OTHER

The Board reviewed upcoming events.

MEETINGS

- Tue., 6/9 The Commissioners' will hold regular session at 9:00 a.m.*
- Tue., 6/9 Planning Commission meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Planning Commission meeting room, Bldg. #1C, 470 Center Street, Chardon*
- Fri., 6/12 NOACA - Board of Directors, 9:00 a.m. Cleveland*
- Mon., 6/15 Family First Council, 2:00 p.m. Mental Health Offices*
- Tue., 6/16 The Commissioners' will hold regular session at 9:00 a.m.*
- Fri., 6/19 NOACA - Air Quality 9:00 a.m., Transportation 10:30 a.m., and Water Quality 12:00 p.m.*
- Mon., 6/22 Board of Revision, 9:00 a.m. Auditor's Office*
- Tue., 6/23 The Commissioners' will hold regular session at 9:00 a.m.*
- Thu., 6/25 The Commissioners' will hold regular session at 6:30 pm.*
- Mon., 6/29 Board of Revision, 9:00 a.m. Auditor's Office*
- Tue., 6/30 The Commissioners' will hold regular session at 9:00 a.m.*

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BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD

Motion: by Commissioner Rear, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to adjourn the meeting at 10:37 a.m.

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Walter M. Claypool

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Christine Blair, Commissioners' Clerk

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