

**Commissioners' Journal**  
**July 9, 2019**

*The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on July 9, 2019 at 9:30 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, Timothy C. Lennon opened the meeting at 9:37 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**FINANCIALS**

*County Administrator Gerard Morgan reported on financials from July 3, 2019, Resolution #19-079, as including an Appropriation transfer for the Auditor's Dog Warden salary account to allow for final payroll of the year; as approved by the County Administrator pursuant to Resolution #19-006 approved January 8, 2019 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 2019, as authorized by O.R.C. 305.30.*

**ZUCCHINI FESTIVAL**

*Joy Black on behalf of Emerald Rose presented information to the Board on the upcoming 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Zucchini Festival and that the proceeds from the festival go towards helping to reduce the stigma regarding Mental Health. People often don't get help because of worry of the stigma from family and co-workers for mental health. Ms. Black talked about the E-Race the Stigma 5K, along with competitions and lots of good food and fun.*

**COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION PROJECT GRANT AGREEMENT – WILSON MILLS ROAD RESURFACING AND KILE ROAD RESURFACING**

*Deputy Engineer Nick Gorris asked the Board to allow Mr. Lennon to execute the Ohio Public Works Commission Grant Agreements for Wilson Mills Road and Kile Road Resurfacing which will be completed in this year.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and authorize Timothy C. Lennon, Board member and Chief Executive Officer to execute the Ohio Public Works Commission Project Grant Agreement Local Transportation Improvement Program for Wilson Mills Road Resurfacing (Sections A-C) in the amount of \$250,000.00.*

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

*Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and authorize Timothy C. Lennon, Board member and Chief Executive Officer to execute the Ohio Public Works Commission Project Grant Agreement Local Transportation Improvement Program for Kile Road Resurfacing (Sections C-D) in the amount of \$250,000.00.*

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

**COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION PROJECT GRANT AGREEMENT – TILDEN ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT**

*Mr. Gorris asked the Board to allow Mr. Lennon to execute the Ohio Public Works Commission Grant Agreement for the Tilden Road Bridge Replacement which will take place next year as they are working with Troy Township on the Tilden Road Resurfacing project.*

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*Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and authorize Timothy C. Lennon, Board member and Chief Executive Officer to execute the Ohio Public Works Commission Project Grant Agreement Local Transportation Improvement Program for Tilden Road Bridge Replacement in the amount of \$75,000.00.*

*Roll Call Vote:           Commissioner Dvorak           Aye*  
*Commissioner Spidalieri       Aye*  
*Commissioner Lennon         Aye*

*SHERIFF'S OFFICE – CYBERPATH SERVICES, LLC – COMBINED PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS, LLC INMATE MESSAGE SERVICE AGREEMENT – 'CHIRPING DEVICES'*

*Sheriff Scott Hildenbrand explained that this agreement is for a change at the jail, explaining that the company will provide an iPod device that inmates can rent and pay per text that they make. The company provides the equipment and maintenance, we charge the device at night and the texts are transcribed which makes it easier if it is needed for court. Sheriff Hildenbrand stated that it is becoming more popular and used in other jails across the country, and the county will receive 2 cents per text into the General Fund. The Chief Deputy Tom Rowan explained that the inmates rent the unit for \$4.00 a month and they are given a pin number to use and runs through a separate computer so it is controlled, we can see what comes in and what they send out. Chief Rowan explained that they have the option of blocking numbers and can control use. If the inmate breaks the unit they are responsible for paying for the unit replacement.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the CyberPath Services, LLC an Affiliate Combined Public Communications, LLC Inmate Messaging Service Agreement for "Chirping Devices" for a two year period, July 2019 through July 2021.*

*Roll Call Vote:           Commissioner Dvorak           Aye*  
*Commissioner Spidalieri       Aye*  
*Commissioner Lennon         Aye*

*VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE / COMMISSION – APPROVE USE OF CREDIT CARD*

*Clerk Christine Blair explained that the veterans had not updated their credit card use since 2017 and with a recent change in employees I asked them to redo the application. There was a brief discussion about the Board members having use of the cards for training and travel purposes and the number of people traveling at the same time.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve the use of a Credit Card for 2019 and further authorize the President of the Board to execute the Application for Authorization to Permit Use per O.R.C. 301.27 for a Geauga Credit Union Visa with a not to exceed per month amount for the following:*

<i>Michele Pemberton</i>	<i>\$3,000.00</i>	<i>Stacie Malone</i>	<i>\$3,000.00</i>	<i>John Riha</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>John Brickman</i>	<i>\$3,000.00</i>	<i>Michael Blair</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>	<i>Charles Boehnlein</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Randy McVicker</i>	<i>\$3,000.00</i>	<i>Paul Newman</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>	<i>Blake Rear</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>

*Roll Call Vote:           Commissioner Dvorak           Aye*  
*Commissioner Spidalieri       Aye*  
*Commissioner Lennon         Aye*

*DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT (COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC) – ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF CRISTINE LEWIS, OFFICE COORDINATOR*

*Executive Director Dave Favorite asked the Board to accept the resignation of Ms. Lewis, Office Coordinator. There was a brief discussion about her stepping up and helping out in a time that was really needed.*

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*Motion:* by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to accept the resignation of Cristine Lewis, Office Coordinator to be effective July 10, 2019.

*Roll Call Vote:*

Commissioner Dvorak	Aye
Commissioner Spidalieri	Aye
Commissioner Lennon	Aye

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT (COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC) – APPROVE CREATION, TITLE AND JOB DESCRIPTION – PROGRAM COORDINATOR (#1409)- ADVERTISE POSITION UNTIL FILLED

*Mr. Favorite asked the Board to approve the creation of a Program Coordinator position and then advertise for the position until it can be filled.*

*Motion:* by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve the creation, title and job description for the position of Program Coordinator (#1409) to be effective July 9, 2019. This position will be added to the organizational chart.

*Roll Call Vote:*

Commissioner Dvorak	Aye
Commissioner Spidalieri	Aye
Commissioner Lennon	Aye

*Motion:* by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to grant permission to advertise for the position of Program Coordinator (#1409). This position will remain posted until filled.

*Roll Call Vote:*

Commissioner Dvorak	Aye
Commissioner Spidalieri	Aye
Commissioner Lennon	Aye

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT – MATE JOHN BRKIC, JR – 1.83 ACRE PARCEL – LOCATED AT 11094 THWING ROAD – CHARDON TOWNSHIP – CONSTRUCT SANITARY PUMP STATION AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

*Director Steven Oluic asked the Board to approve the purchase and sale agreement with Mr. Brkic for the 1.83 acre parcel for the construction of the wastewater treatment plant on the corner of Auburn and Thwing Roads in the amount of \$70,600.00. Dr. Oluic noted that the cost includes the demolition of the current structure on the property.*

*Motion:* by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Purchase and Sale Agreement between the County of Geauga, Ohio and Mate John Brkic, Jr. for the purchase of 1.83 acres of land (parcel #06-037100) located at 11094 Thwing Road, Chardon Township for the purpose of constructing a sanitary pump station and wastewater treatment plant in the amount of \$70,600.00.

*Roll Call Vote:*

Commissioner Dvorak	Aye
Commissioner Spidalieri	Aye
Commissioner Lennon	Aye

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – AUTHORIZE NECESSARY STEPS TO EFFECTUATE TRANSFER OF CLOSING FUNDS FOR PURCHASE OF PARCEL #06-037100

*Dr. Oluic asked the Board to authorize the Department to handle the steps for the transfer of the funds for the closing on the property.*

*Motion:* by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to authorize the Department to take the necessary steps to effectuate the transfer of the closing funds for the purchase of Parcel #06-037100 upon receipt of further instruction from Lawyers Title Agency of Chardon.

*Roll Call Vote:*

Commissioner Dvorak	Aye
Commissioner Spidalieri	Aye
Commissioner Lennon	Aye

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DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION PROJECT  
GRANT / LOAN AGREEMENT – AUBURN CORNERS WWTP UPGRADE AND TROY OAKS  
WWTP CONVERSION

*Dr. Oluic ask the Board to authorize Mr. Lennon to execute the Ohio Public Works Commission grant / loan agreement for the Auburn Corners upgrade and Troy Oaks Conversion.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and authorize Timothy C. Lennon, Board member and Chief Executive Officer to execute the Ohio Public Works Commission Project Grant / Loan Agreement State Capital Improvements Program for Auburn Corners WWTP Upgrade, Troy Oaks WWTP Conversion in the amount of \$950,000.00.*

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

PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE – EXECUTIVE SESSION

*Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending imminent litigation.*

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

*The Board moved into Executive Session with Mr. Morgan and Prosecutor Jim Flaiz at 9:58 a.m. The Board returned at 11:21 a.m. and no action was taken.*

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a) A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the week ending June 26, 2019 as required by O.R.C. 955.12.*
- b) The Monthly Financial Report from the County Building Department for the month of June, 2019.*
- c) Geauga County Court of Common Pleas Probate and Juvenile Division, 2018 Annual Report*

OTHER

*The Board reviewed upcoming events.*

MEETINGS

- Tue., 7/9 Planning Commission meeting at 7:30 a.m. in the Planning Commission meeting room, Bldg. #1C, 470 Center Street, Chardon*
- Wed., 7/10 Area 19 NOC COG Board, 1:30 p.m., Bldg. #8 Health Meeting Room*
- Wed., 7/10 Geauga County Township Association Dinner Meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Welshfield Inn*
- Fri., 7/12 NOACA External Affairs 8:30 a.m., Policy 10:00 a.m., Planning & Programming 11:30 a.m. Cleveland*
- Mon., 7/15 Board of Revision, 9:00 a.m. Auditor's Office*
- Mon., 7/15 Family First Council, 1:30 p.m. Job and Family Services*
- Tue., 7/16 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:00 a.m.*
- Tue., 7/23 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:00 a.m.*
- Mon., 7/29 Board of Revision, 9:00 a.m. Auditor's Office*
- Tue., 7/30 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 Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to adjourn the meeting at 11:21 a.m.*

*Geauga County Board of Commissioners*

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*Timothy C. Lennon*

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*Ralph Spidalieri*

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*James W. Dvorak*

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*Christine Blair, Commissioners' Clerk*

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