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The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on February 25, 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 Vice President of the Board, Blake Rear opened the meeting at 10:02 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Commissioner Spidalieri was absent from today's meeting.*

FINANCIALS

The Commissioners' Office reported on financials from February 20, 2014, Resolution #14-032, that included Revenue Certifications for the Court Technology and County Engineer Building Funds; an Appropriation Transfer from the Contingency account to return appropriations to the Clerk of Courts Office for reimbursements deposited into the General Fund; Supplemental appropriations for the Department on Aging and Sheriff's 911 Funds for changes approved as part of the budget hearing process; Cash transfers out of the General Fund for portions of 2014 funding for the Building Improvement fund, the Youth Center, the 3rd Quarter SFY2014 Job and Family Services mandated share, the CASA program, Volunteer Guardianship and the Soil and Water Conservation District; Travel requests for the Common Pleas Court and the Department of Job and Family Services; a payment to Newbury Country Meats for a partial disbursement of a local revolving loan from the Office of Community and Economic Development in the amount of \$3,500.00; a payment to Business Smarts, Incorporated for the purchase of (8) HP Workstations for the Treasurer's office in the amount of \$7,774.08; and a payment to Itersource Corp for software patches and installation services for the network conversion to IPV6 for the Auditor's Office in the amount of \$60,000.00, as approved by the County Administrator pursuant to the motion approved January 16, 2014 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 Year 2014, as authorized by O.R.C. 305.3, and which duties shall be performed under the direction and supervision of the commissioners.

APPROVE MINUTES

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of February 13, 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>Absent*</i>

APPROVE FINANCIALS

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to approve and execute Resolution #14-033 itemizing the financials for the meeting of February 25, 2014.

Budget and Finance Administrator Heidi Delaney explained the financials for today as including a Revenue Certification for the Water Resources Thompson Wastewater Treatment Plant Project; a Cash transfer out of the General Fund for a portion of 2014 funding for Court Technology; and a Travel request for the Department of Job and Family Services.

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

OTHER – NOACA

Commissioner Samide briefly mentioned some concerns about NOACA wanting to make some policy changes that could affect Geauga County's funding that is received for our roads and bridges. Ms. Samide added that NOACA is also looking to take out two \$30 million dollar loans. Ms. Samide stated that she would like the Board to submit something to NOACA voicing Geauga

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County's opposition to these changes and in taking out these loans. Local resident Walter "Skip" Claypool wished to also talk about these policies. Commissioner Rear asked that due to a time constraint by counsel and an executive session that this conversation be held at the end of the meeting.

DEPARTMENT ON AGING – ADVERTISE PUBLIC HEARING – ODOT 2014 SPECIALIZED TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM GRANT

Assistant Director Kathy Petrella explained they were asking to advertise to hold a Public Hearing for an ODOT specialized transportation program grant that will allow the department to purchase an MVI van that can handle handicapped and wheelchair bound clients. Ms. Petrella stated that the van costs approximately \$45,000.00 and this grant will cover 80% of the cost leaving them with only having to pay the \$9,000.00 as the match of funds.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to grant permission to advertise to hold a Public Hearing regarding application to the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) 2014 Specialized Transportation Program Grant to be held Thursday, March 13, 2014 at 10:10 a.m. Notice of this public hearing will be advertised on February 27, 2014.

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Rear	Aye
	Commissioner Spidalieri	Absent

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to pursuant to O.R.C. 121.22(G)(8) to consider confidential information related to negotiations with a political subdivision respecting requests for economic development assistance under O.R.C. Chapter 5709.40.

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Rear	Aye
	Commissioner Spidalieri	Absent

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to as it is necessary to protect the possible expenditure of public funds to be made in connection with the economic development project.

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Rear	Aye
	Commissioner Spidalieri	Absent

Mr. Rear noted that County Administrator David Lair, Prosecutor Jim Flaiz, Assistant Prosecutor Laura LaChapelle and Budget and Finance Administrator Heidi Delaney would be joining them.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 10:28 a.m. and no action was taken.

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – STATE OF OHIO DEVELOPMENT SERVICES AGENCY – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS (RROF) – CERTIFICATION FOR FEDERAL FUNDED STATE PROJECTS – SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS AT GEAUGA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

Administrative Secretary Kristin Merrill explained that they are asking to release funds for the sidewalk improvement project at the Geauga County Fairgrounds, noting that this is the last form required before the project can go out for bidding.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to approve and authorize the Vice President of the Board to execute the State of Ohio Development Services Agency Office of Community Development Request for Release of Funds (RROF) and Certification for Federally Funded State Projects for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Grant #B-F-13-1AZ-1 in regards to sidewalk improvements at the Geauga County Fairgrounds.

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Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Rear	Aye
	Commissioner Spidalieri	Absent

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – PUBLIC HEARING – FY2014 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAMS

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

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Rear	Aye
	Commissioner Spidalieri	Absent

Mr. Rear opened the Public Hearing at 10:30 a.m. and Director Anita Stocker explained that here is a list of grants that can be applied for, noting that each grant is required to be reviewed before the Commissioners at two different times. Ms. Stocker stated that this is an overview of all the projects that we could apply for; once a program is chosen she will bring it back before the Board.

A: Formula Allocation Program

Ms. Stocker explained that this is a grant that is applied for every year adding that the amount shrinks, but it would be around \$200,000.00. This program can be used for low to moderate income households, a community with predominately low to moderate households, to eliminate slum and blight, which most commonly means demolitions. Ms. Stocker stated that applications will be sent to the Townships so that they are able to apply for the funds. Typically they do ADA, mandated requirements from the State for doorways and ramping.

B: Neighborhood Revitalization Program Set Aside

C: Critical Infrastructure Program Set Aside

Ms. Stocker stated that these two programs can be used together with the Formula program. They max out at \$300,000.00 and can only be used in a community that is 60% low to moderate income with additional amounts of money for leverage to show investment. You can do a lot by fixing public buildings, recreation, fix curbing and sidewalks, incidental infrastructure but not the infrastructure itself.

D: Water and Sanitary Sewer Competitive Program

This program can be used for laying the main lines or the actual plant structure, it's not usually enough but is usually coupled with USDA for a loan and a grant.

E: Economic Development Program

Ms. Stocker explained that if there are not enough funds for a CDBG revolving loan fund loan, this can be applied for which also includes job creation, an environmental review, but the easiest way for it to be used, is for equipment. This can go up to \$500,000.00 and is tied to \$25,000.00 per job that will be created.

F: Microenterprise Business Development Program

Ms. Stocker explained that this is a micro loan program for up to \$40,000.00 from the State. This is for under \$25,000.00 for an entity, there is no requirement for a bank and often no equity. This is for working capital or inventory. This is a risky program but has been looked into as a way to get a small business started.

G: Imminent Threat Set-Aside Program

Ms. Stocker explained that this is for a catastrophic event or an eminent threat. This has to be safety or a hazard.

H: Downtown Revitalization Competitive Program

Ms. Stocker stated that this program is a difficult program to receive since it involves the community working with an architect to make all the homes in a community look a certain way. Most communities pull back because they don't wish to impose this on their residents.

Being no further questions or comments, the hearing was closed at 10:38 a.m.

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OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – ACCEPT RESIGNATION –
KRISTIN MERRILL – ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY

Ms. Stocker expressed that she wanted to say no, that she would be sad to see Ms. Merrill leave, that she had done a great job and had done so much in the time she had been her. Ms. Stocker note that Ms. Merrill had gotten another job with a pay increase in Cuyahoga County.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to accept the resignation of Kristin Merrill, Administrative Secretary (#1403) to be effective February 28, 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>Absent</i>

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – ADVERTISE POSITION –
ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY (#1403)

Ms. Stocker asked that the Board allow her to advertise for the open position of Administrative Secretary.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to grant permission to advertise for the position of Administrative Secretary (#1403). This position will be remain posted until filled.

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

TRANSIT DEPARTMENT – HIRE HARRY WHALEN – PART-TIME DRIVER (#2210-1)

Director Kristina Reider explained that Mr. Whalen was being hired as a replacement for a previous part-time driver that had been involved in an accident.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to approve hiring Harry Whalen to the position of Part-time Driver (#2210-1) to be effective March 3, 2014 at a rate of \$12.26 per hour. After the successful completion of a 1,000 hour probationary period the rate will increase to \$12.91 per hour.

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

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – RESOLUTION TO ORDER IMPROVEMENT OF
BAINBRIDGE ROAD (CH 11, SECTIONS A-G)– BAINBRIDGE AND AUBURN TOWNSHIPS

Deputy Engineer Nick Gorris explained the resolution is to order the improvement of Bainbridge Road, noting that a public hearing was held for on February 11, 2014 regarding this project that includes Federal Highway Grant funds and County Road Levy funds.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to approve and execute Resolution #14-034 to Order the Improvement of Bainbridge Road (CH 11, Sections A-G) in Bainbridge and Auburn Townships.

This resolution also requests the Board approve and execute the Title Sheet for the specifications for the same.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date: February 25, 2014

Resolution: #14-034

**RESOLUTION TO ORDER THE IMPROVEMENT OF SECTIONS A - G
OF BAINBRIDGE ROAD (CH 11) IN BAINBRIDGE AND AUBURN TOWNSHIPS**

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners has determined by Resolution 11-146 that the public convenience and welfare requires the improvement of Bainbridge Road from

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the City of Solon limit to Washington Street (CH 606) in Bainbridge and Auburn Townships by grading, paving, draining, widening, constructing and reconstructing the bridges, culverts, and guardrail as necessary or otherwise improving the same in accordance with Section 5555.06 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, no lands are needed to be taken relative to the improvement of Sections A - G of Bainbridge Road; and

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners after holding a public hearing and hearing no objections for the improvement of Bainbridge Road is satisfied that the public convenience and welfare require that said improvement be made; and

WHEREAS, plans and specifications for this project have been reviewed and approved by the Ohio Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, federal aid funding has been secured for this project and the cost of such improvement will not be excessive in view of the public utility thereof.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners in accordance with Section 5555.13 of the Ohio Revised Code hereby orders that such improvement proceed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners hereby adopts the surveys, plans, profiles, cross sections, estimates, and specifications for such improvement, the costs of which shall be paid from federal aid and local funding sources in accordance with Section 5555.43 of the Ohio Revised Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of Geauga County Board of Commissioners is hereby instructed to transmit certified copies of this resolution to the Bainbridge and Auburn Township Boards of Trustees and the Geauga County Engineer.

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Rear	Aye
	Commissioner Spidalieri	Absent

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – RESOLUTION TO ORDER IMPROVEMENT OF PETTIBONE ROAD (CH 607, SECTIONS A-D) BAINBRIDGE TOWNSHIP

Mr. Gorris stated that this resolution is to order the improvement of Pettibone Road for the entire length, noting that a Public Hearing was held on February 11, 2014. Mr. Gorris stated that it includes Federal Highway Grant funds and County Road Levy funds.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to approve and execute Resolution #14-035 to Order the Improvement of Pettibone Road (CH 607, Sections A-D) in Bainbridge Township.

This resolution also requests the Board approve and execute the Title Sheet for the specifications for the same.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date: February 25, 2014

Resolution: #14-035

**RESOLUTION TO ORDER THE IMPROVEMENT OF SECTIONS A - D
OF PETTIBONE ROAD (CH 607) IN BAINBRIDGE TOWNSHIP**

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners has determined by Resolution 12-025 that the public convenience and welfare requires the improvement of Pettibone Road from the City of Solon limit to Chillicothe Road (SR 306) in Bainbridge Township by grading, paving, draining, widening, constructing and reconstructing the bridges, culverts, and guardrail as necessary or otherwise improving the same in accordance with Section 5555.06 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

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WHEREAS, no lands are needed to be taken relative to the improvement of Sections A - D of Pettibone Road; and

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners after holding a public hearing and hearing no objections for the improvement of Pettibone Road is satisfied that the public convenience and welfare require that said improvement be made; and

WHEREAS, plans and specifications for this project have been reviewed and approved by the Ohio Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, federal aid funding has been secured for this project and the cost of such improvement will not be excessive in view of the public utility thereof.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners in accordance with Section 5555.13 of the Ohio Revised Code hereby orders that such improvement proceed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners hereby adopts the surveys, plans, profiles, cross sections, estimates, and specifications for such improvement, the costs of which shall be paid from federal aid and local funding sources in accordance with Section 5555.43 of the Ohio Revised Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of Geauga County Board of Commissioners is hereby instructed to transmit certified copies of this resolution to the Bainbridge Township Board of Trustees and the Geauga County Engineer.

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

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – RESOLUTION PROPOSING TO COOPERATE WITH THE BAINBRIDGE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES FOR IMPROVEMENT TO SNYDER ROAD (TR192) – REPLACEMENT OF SNYDER ROAD BRIDGE (STRUCTURE #192-0.33)

Mr. Gorris stated this resolution is for a cooperative agreement with Bainbridge Township Trustees for the improvement of Snyder Road from Crackel to Taylor May Roads. As part of this reconstruction the County will demo and replace the bridge. The estimate for the County portion is \$130,000.00. Mr. Gorris stated that the plans had not been completed yet, but that the project should be out to bid this year.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to approve and execute Resolution #14-036 of the Geauga County Board of Commissioners proposing to cooperate with the Bainbridge Township Trustees for the Improvement to Snyder Road (TR 192) and in particular the Replacement of the Snyder Road Bridge (Structure #192-0.33).

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date: February 25, 2014

Resolution: #14-036

RESOLUTION OF THE GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROPOSING TO COOPERATE WITH THE BAINBRIDGE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Improvement to Snyder Road

Commissioner Samide moved the adoption of the following resolution, which was duly seconded by Commissioner Rear:

WHEREAS, the public interest demands the improvement hereinafter described; and

WHEREAS, Sections 5535.08 and 5535.15 of the Ohio Revised Code allows counties to assist in funding the maintenance and repair of township roads; and

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WHEREAS, the public interest is best served by the cooperation of the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and the Bainbridge Township Board of Trustees to improve Snyder Road, TR 192 from Crackel Road, TR 269 to Taylor May Road, TR 186 and in particular the replacement of the Structure #192-0.33 along this stretch of Taylor May Road in Bainbridge Township.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio, that:

SECTION I – The public interest demands the improvement of Snyder Road, situated in the Township of Bainbridge, County of Geauga and State of Ohio.

SECTION II – The Geauga County Engineer is authorized to reimburse Bainbridge Township for all costs related to the replacement of Structure #192-0.33 on Snyder Road in a lump sum amount agreed upon after the bids are opened.

SECTION III – The funds for the reimbursement shall come from funds available to the County Engineer to improve roads and bridges.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Temporary Acting Clerk of the Geauga County Commissioners is hereby instructed to transmit three original copies of this resolution to the Bainbridge Township Board of Trustees for acceptance.

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

SHERIFF'S OFFICE – OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES STANDARD ASSURANCE FORM – TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENT GRANT PRE-AWARD CONDITION
Sheriff Dan McClelland asked the Board to execute a Standard Assurances form for pre-award conditions for a Technology Improvement Grant for \$7,600.00 that will be used to purchase two MDT's (Mobile Data Terminals). Sheriff McClelland stated that this states we are an equal opportunity employer and that we will spend the money appropriately.

Motion: *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to approve and authorize the Vice President of the Board to execute the Office of Criminal Justice Services Standard Assurances form for the Technology Improvement Grant (#2013-JG-LLE-5108) as a requirement to meet pre-award conditions.*

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

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – SERVICE CONTRACT AGREEMENTS – GILLMORE SECURITY SYSTEMS, INCORPORATED – WATER AND WASTEWATER SECTIONS

Assistant Sanitary Engineer Gerard Morgan explained these service contracts are for security and alarm systems with Gillmore Security. Mr. Morgan stated that they provide security but also for notification of any failures, using the example of heavy water or if a pump goes down.

Motion: *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to approve, initial and execute a service Contract Agreement with Gillmore Security Systems, Incorporated to perform all maintenance service and installation of all fire and burglar alarms systems for the Geauga County water section for the Year 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00.*

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

Motion: *by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to approve, initial and execute a service Contract Agreement with Gillmore Security Systems, Incorporated to perform all maintenance service and installation of all fire and*

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burglar alarms systems for the Geauga County wastewater section for the Year 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Rear	Aye
	Commissioner Spidalieri	Absent

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – SERVICE CONTRACT AGREEMENTS –
SERVICE CONTRACT AGREEMENTS – AUBURN BAINBRIDGE EXCAVATING,
INCORPORATED - GROUNDWORX CONSTRUCTION, LLC

Mr. Morgan explained that these are also service contracts with Auburn Bainbridge Excavating and Groundworx Construction for excavation work for emergency work that allows us to complete the work without waiting for paperwork. Mr. Morgan stated that usually about half of the amounts put into place are actually used for work performed.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to approve and execute a service Contract Agreement with Auburn Bainbridge Excavating, Incorporated for excavating services as needed at various locations within Geauga County for the Year 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Rear	Aye
	Commissioner Spidalieri	Absent

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to approve and execute a service Contract Agreement with Groundworx Construction, LLC to perform general contracting services which will include excavating, landscaping and building maintenance for the Year 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00.

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Rear	Aye
	Commissioner Spidalieri	Absent

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – AMEND BAINBRIDGE TOWNSHIP 208 SERVICE AREA PLAN

Mr. Morgan explained that this is a 208 service area plan with Bainbridge Township that states where sewers are located and where they can go in the future. During a recent update it was discovered that several properties were miss represented on the map, so this amendment is to correct those. Mr. Morgan stated that the EPA uses these maps for verification if a property can have sewer or not.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to approve and accept the amendment for thirty-six parcels to the “May Be Sewered” designation, eleven parcels from “May Be Sewered” to “Existing Sewers” designation and five parcels from “No Service” to “Existing Sewers” designation, revising the Bainbridge Township 208 Service Area Plan.

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Rear	Aye
	Commissioner Spidalieri	Absent

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – AUTHORIZE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)
PROCESS FOR ENGINEERING FIRMS – BAINBRIDGE TOWNSHIP WATER SYSTEM

Mr. Morgan explained that they would like to do an RFP from Engineering firms to do a modeling and master plan for the Bainbridge water system. Mr. Morgan stated that the system had been designed, constructed and put into place by emergency and /or by lawsuit. Mr. Morgan briefly explained that this was started due to a lawsuit about thirty years ago and from several expansions due to emergencies, and the system has never had a master plan of how it would work and be designed. Mr. Morgan noted that there are several areas that need a loop to be closed that would give a second access. Mr. Morgan stated that want to bring an engineering firm in to do a complete modeling of the system, making sure what it in place is valid to providing service to our customers to the best degree we can and that they deserve and

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to do a master plan for how we can move forward, noting a possible expansion to Gurney School in South Russell Village.

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to authorize the Department to begin the Request for Proposal (RFP) process for Engineering firms to provide water system modeling and water system master planning for the County's Bainbridge Township Water System.

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

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – ADVERTISE POSITION –ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY (#1305)

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to grant permission to advertise for the position of Administrative Secretary (#1305). This position will remain posted until filled.

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

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – RESOLUTION HONORING LEADERSHIP GEAUGA 2014 EMERALD LEADER AWARD WINNER DANIEL C. MCCLELLAND

Motion: by Commissioner Samide, seconded by Commissioner Rear to approve and execute Resolution #14-037 Honoring Leadership Geauga 2014 Emerald Leader Award Winner Daniel C. McClelland.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Resolution: 14-037
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**RESOLUTION HONORING LEADERSHIP GEAUGA
2014 EMERALD LEADER AWARD WINNER DANIEL C. MCCLELLAND**

WHEREAS, each year since 2001, Leadership Geauga County has recognized community leaders who have significantly enhanced the quality of life in Geauga County. The Emerald Leader Award is presented annually to an individual, a business and / or a non-profit agency that exemplifies outstanding leadership by positive contributions through volunteerism, philanthropy, or innovation that impact the quality of life in Geauga County; and

WHEREAS, Daniel C. McClelland is a Chardon High School graduate and lifelong resident of Geauga County, where he and his wife Bev have happily shared forty-one years of marriage, raised three children, Daniel, Kelly and Andrew and now share in the joy of their six grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Daniel C. McClelland received an Associate of Applied Science degree in Criminal Justice from Lakeland Community College, a Bachelor of Science degree in Technical Education of Criminal Justice from the University of Akron, attending the FBI National Academy, session 167 and is a BSSA Certified Law Enforcement Manager; and

WHEREAS, Daniel C. McClelland has used this knowledge to serve the residents of Geauga County since 1976 when he became a Geauga County Sheriff's Deputy and has since served as a deputy, sergeant, lieutenant and as chief deputy before being appointed as Sheriff in 2003, which he was then elected to serve for three more terms . Daniel C. McClelland's knowledge and experience has earned him many awards during his career; and

WHEREAS, Daniel C. McClelland dedicates his time by being involved as a member of the Chardon Alumni Hall of Fame, the Burton-Middlefield Rotary, the Burton Chamber of Commerce, the Gold Wing Road Riders Association, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Blue Knights Motorcycle Club and is a 32 Degree Mason and Shriner; and

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WHEREAS, Daniel C. McClelland has often stated that his life and career have been about family and bringing people together, with his mother's voice in his ear reminding him to do things right and to leave places in a better shape than when they were found; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners wishes to recognize the dedicated service of Daniel C. McClelland with the honor of being the recipient of the 2014 Leadership Geauga County Emerald Leader Award.

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

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Rear	Aye
	Commissioner Spidalieri	Absent

OTHER – NOACA POLICY CHANGE DISCUSSION

Mr. Claypool brought up to points from the NOACA policy board meeting he had attended. Two aspects have to do with the County's roads. Mr. Claypool stated that NOACA wants to take two \$30 million dollar loans that takes advantage of a revolving loan fund in Columbus but it had never been used for road maintenance. There was no detailed explanation of how the money would be used, where it would be used, payback projection or what cost projections would be. There is no future guarantee of federal income so this puts us at risk for a liability that may not be able to be paid back. Mr. Claypool stated that they want to change prioritization of allocation of road improvement funding to a scale system so that the worst roads will be worked on, so that those counties have taken care of our roads will not receive their previous levels of funding. Mr. Claypool added that there is also a cost sharing element so that we would have to help pay this back. There was discussion about hoping to get it stopped at the executive committee level, because these changes appear to help those that have been negligent in their jobs. Mr. Claypool asked to hear the Commissioners thoughts on the goals and objections that are to be voted on. Ms. Samide stated that she didn't like how they want to change the standards on the grading system of the roads.

Mr. Claypool stated that another significant item buried in the document is the support of the NEOSCC "Vibrant NEO 2040 Plan", and that Geauga County is not well served by this plan. Mr. Claypool stated that he would like to see a resolution opposing this plan and these policy changes. Mr. Claypool expressed that Geauga County is being considered a first ring, second ring suburb of Cuyahoga County, and that NOACA refers to Geauga County as Greater Cleveland and that their plan is that we will be their park system, and that they want to increase our number of parks. It was put forth that there needs to be scrutiny on what is in the plan, what works and what doesn't work and the need to strongly oppose this. Ms. Samide stated that she has expressed that if Geauga County does not get their funding for roads and bridges at the level we anticipate and have received for the last ten years there is no point in being part of NOACA. Mr. Rear stated there has to be something besides a resolution that will have some teeth to get this done, that will make them hold their feet to the fire. Mr. Rear expressed that you need to send a strong message and to get commitment from Elected Officials for future discussions to keep their voting consistent. Ms. Samide expressed that she was concerned about the rating of the roads and that she is not for taking the money ahead of time along with the hidden things embedded in the policies. A possible merge between East Cleveland and Cleveland was mentioned and how it might affect Cleveland for funding. There was some discussion about a better time to hold a presentation for further discussion on these changes and the best way to show opposition.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a) *Gauga County Pleasant Hill Home Monthly Report for January 2014*
- b) *A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the week ending February 5, 2014 as required by O.R.C. 955.12.*
- c) *A monthly report filed by the Geauga County Sheriff's Office of an account of expenses for the inmate meals for the month ending January, 2014.*

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- d) *A monthly report filed by the Geauga County Sheriff's Office of an account of expenses for the prisoner transport for the month ending January, 2014 as required by O.R.C. 325.07.*
- e) *The 2012 Annual Inventory of all materials, machinery, tools and other county supplies pursuant to ORC 305.18 for the following: Archives and Records Center, Department on Aging, Board of Elections, CASA, Clerk of Courts, Common Pleas – Fuhry, Community Development, Commissioners', County Home, Department of Emergency Services, Dog Warden, County Engineer, Health, Intensive Supervision Probation, Job and Family Services, Law Library, Maintenance, Mental Health, Planning, Juvenile / Probate Court, Recorder, Soil and Water, Transit, and Water Resources.*

OTHER

The Board reviewed upcoming events.

MEETINGS

*Thu., 2/27 **The Commissioners will hold regular session at 470 Center Street, Building #8 at 6:30 p.m.***

Tue., 3/4 The Commissioners will hold regular session

Tue., 3/11 The Commissioners will hold regular session

*Tue., 3/11 The Planning Commission meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Planning Commission meeting room
Bldg. #1C, 470 Center Street, Chardon*

Thu., 3/13 The Commissioners will hold regular session that will include a Public Hearing at 10:10 a.m. regarding application to the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) 2014 Specialized Transportation Program Grant (pending approval – see above)

Mon., 3/17 Family First Council, 2:00 p.m. at Job and Family Services

Tue., 3/18 The Commissioners will hold regular session

Ms. Samide added that she would be attending the Lake Geauga Realtors Legislative Committee meeting on February 27th at 9:30 a.m.

BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER REAR ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 11:26 A.M.

Gauga County Board of Commissioners

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