

**Commissioners' Journal**  
**November 19, 2019**

*The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on November 19, 2019 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, Timothy C. Lennon opened the meeting at 9:05 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**MEETING MINUTES**

*Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of November 5, 2019.*

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

*\*Commissioner Spidalieri was absent from this meeting.*

**COMMISSIONERS OFFICE - COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

*County Administrator Gerard Morgan reported on the items approved by the County Administrator on November 15, 2019 that included for the Dog Warden to approve hiring Kora Setlock to the position of Part-time Shelter Attendant (#1607-1) to be effective November 25, 2019 at the rate of \$12.05 per hour with a one year probationary period. This offer of employment is contingent upon the successful completion of the required pre-employment conditions; as authorized by Resolution #19-006 under the direction and supervision of the County Commissioners that was approved January 8, 2019 pursuant to O.R.C. 305.30.*

**APPROVE FINANCIALS**

*Budget and Finance Manager Adrian Gorton explained the financials for today as including a Purchase Order for Maintenance for a new 2019 Ford F250 truck with plow; a payment for the Commissioner's Office to Walter and Haverfield LLP for legal services in the amount of \$8,189.00; a payment for the Sheriff's Office to Contract Pharmacy Services for inmate pharmaceutical needs in the amount of \$8,625.82; a payment for Water Resources to GPD for engineering services related to the Chardon Township Wastewater Treatment Plant in the amount of \$24,989.55; and Revenue Certifications for 2020 for the Common Pleas Court in the Special Projects and New Drug Court Funds.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute Resolution #19-163 itemizing the financials for the meeting of November 19, 2019.*

<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>

**JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – RESOLUTIONS HONORING TRENT LAMB AND KAREN LACKEY ON BEING NAMED 2019 JOHN MURRAY AWARD RECIPIENTS**

*Program Administrator Nancy Seelbach brought with her Karen Lackey and apologized for Trent Lamb not being able to attend as he is a CASA and had court hearings. Ms. Seelbach explained that John Murray was a County Administrator in the late 1990's but was also a member of Family First Council. Ms. Seelbach stated that he was an adoptive parent, was an unsung hero, who very quietly advocated for kids. Mr. Murray passed away in 1999 and Family First started an award in 2001 in his honor to recognize other unsung heroes. Ms. Seelbach explained that there is a lengthy process to decide who is awarded this honor, explaining that Ms. Lackey and Mr. Lamb were the top picks for the award this year. Ms. Seelbach thanked the Board for honoring them with a resolution. Mr. Lennon added that a lot of times there is a lot of things that go on behind the scenes and often you don't hear the positives.*

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*Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute Resolution #19-164 Honoring Trent Lamb on being a 2019 John Murray Award Recipient for his Dedication and Work with Geauga Families and Children.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution: 19-164*

*Date: November 19, 2019*

**RESOLUTION HONORING TRENT LAMB ON BEING A 2019 JOHN MURRAY AWARD  
RECIPIENT FOR HIS COMMITMENT TO GEAUGA FAMILIES AND CHILDREN**

*WHEREAS, Geauga Family First Council is a partnership of government agencies, community organizations and family representatives who work together to improve the well-being of children and families through prevention, early intervention and the provision of services that assist the entire family; and*

*WHEREAS, John Murray was an original member of Geauga Family First Council who epitomized the phrase 'above and beyond the call of duty' for his quiet way of keeping an interest in the progress of each child and family; and*

*WHEREAS, since 2001, Geauga Family First Council has presented the John Murray award to individuals who 'go above and beyond' in supporting and advocating for children and families; and*

*WHEREAS, Trent Lamb has been a volunteer with CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) for ten years where he has devoted countless hours advocating for the best interests of abused, neglected and dependent children referred through Juvenile Court and working with them to help them succeed; and*

*WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, wish to honor and recognize Trent Lamb for being a 2019 John Murray Award Recipient for his continued dedication, commitment and work with the children and families of Geauga County; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Resolution become part of the permanent record of the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio.*

<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 execute Resolution #19-165 Honoring Karen Lackey on being a 2019 John Murray Award Recipient for her Dedication and Work with Geauga Families and Children.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution: 19-165*

*Date: November 19, 2019*

**RESOLUTION HONORING KAREN LACKEY ON BEING A 2019 JOHN MURRAY AWARD  
RECIPIENT FOR HER COMMITMENT TO GEAUGA FAMILIES AND CHILDREN**

*WHEREAS, Geauga Family First Council is a partnership of government agencies, community organizations and family representatives who work together to improve the well-being of children and families through prevention, early intervention and the provision of services that assist the entire family; and*

*WHEREAS, John Murray was an original member of Geauga Family First Council who epitomized the phrase 'above and beyond the call of duty' for his quiet way of keeping an interest in the progress of each child and family; and*

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*WHEREAS, since 2001, Geauga Family First Council has presented the John Murray award to individuals who 'go above and beyond' in supporting and advocating for children and families; and*

*WHEREAS, Karen Lackey has been making an impact on behalf of kids in Geauga County for over thirty years by helping to start and continuing to oversee the County's Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program and the community's Youth-Lead Prevention efforts, and is considered to be a driving force behind the Cardinal Community Forum and the Cardinal Middle School Pilot project; and*

*WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, wish to honor and recognize Karen Lackey for being a 2019 John Murray Award Recipient for her continued dedication, commitment and work with the children and families of Geauga County; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Resolution become part of the permanent record of the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio.*

<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 Commissioners posed for a picture with Ms. Seelbach and Ms. Lackey.*

**CLERK OF COURTS – APPROVE SUBMISSION OF CREDIT CARD APPLICATION AND REQUESTED CREDIT LIMIT**

*Clerk Christine Blair explained that Ms. Kaminski is requesting to obtain a credit card through the Geauga Credit Union for travel purposes. The Credit Union requests the Commissioners approve the submission of the application and then once the Credit Union decides to issue the card the approval for use will come back before the Board. Mr. Morgan explained that hotels are changing their acceptance of payment upon check in.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve the submission of a credit card application to the Geauga Credit Union for a VISA that will be used for travel purposes with a requested credit limit of \$3,000.00.*

<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>

**MAINTENANCE – SERVICE CONTRACT AGREEMENT – HERSHBERGER ROOFING AND SIDING, LLC**

*Director Glen Vernick explained that about 75% of the roof on the dog warden's office is two layers and will need to be removed, some repairs will be made due to areas that have some sagging and then will be replaced with a metal roof. Mr. Lennon inquired if this was in the budget to which Mr. Vernick explained that the roof has been in the capital improvements but they have had it on hold waiting to hear what we are doing with the building. Mr. Lennon asked if the Dog Warden was covering the costs, to which Mr. Vernick stated that he was not that it was coming from capital improvements. Mr. Vernick stated that it was not discussed in the recent budget hearing for next year's budget, that it was included in capital improvements. There was discussion regarding cost allocation and CDBG funds and that it doesn't fall under the requirements for the grant. Mr. Vernick noted that they received 3 quotes for the project and for shingles was more expensive about \$20,000.00, and the other metal roof was about \$6,000.00 more. Commissioner Dvorak inquired about the gutters and the heat of the building, to which Mr. Vernick stated that the building is heated except for the kennel area and that there is only one section of roof with a gutter. Mr. Lennon asked that there be a forecast going forward on other roofing projects that will need to be done.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute a service Contract Agreement with Hershberger Roofing and Siding, LLC to re-roof the Geauga County Dog Warden Building for a one year period in an amount not to exceed \$35,000.00.*

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

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – APPROVE SUBMISSION OF LIST OF DELINQUENT SEWER USER FEES, WATER FEES, TAP-IN INSTALLMENTS AND CERTIFY TO AUDITOR**

*Director Steven Oluic asked the Board to approve the submission of the list of delinquent sewer user fees, water fees and tap-in fees to the Auditor's Office who places it on the property tax bill and when collected are forwarded to our office.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve the submission of the list of delinquent sewer user fees, water fees, tap-in installments and subsequent certification to the Geauga County Auditor, in accordance with O.R.C. 6117.02 and the Geauga County Department of Water Resources Rules and Regulations (Section F.501) in the total amount of \$470,732.61 (\$444,087.46 arrearage and \$26,645.15 penalty).*

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

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – CONTRACT AGREEMENT – WORKMAN INDUSTRIAL SERVICES, INCORPORATED – AUBURN CORNERS WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT EXPANSION AND TROY OAKS PUMP STATION**

*Dr. Oluic asked the Board to execute the contract agreement with Workman Industrial for the Auburn Corners plant expansion and the Troy Oaks pump station. Dr. Oluic stated that pre-construction meeting is next week and they will begin moving equipment on site shortly after that, but will include capacity for everything in the 208 plan and future development.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Contract Agreement with Workman Industrial Services, Incorporated for the Auburn Corners Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion and Troy Oaks Pump Station in the amount of \$4,023,848.00, which includes Alternates #2, #5 and #7.*

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

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – RESOLUTION HONORING DAVID ALAN HELLER – ACHIEVING EAGLE SCOUT**

*Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute Resolution #19-166 Honoring David Alan Heller on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest honor bestowed upon a Boy Scout.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution: #19-166  
Date: November 19, 2019*

**A RESOLUTION HONORING DAVID ALAN HELLER FOR ACHIEVING EAGLE SCOUT  
THE HIGHEST AWARD OF ADVANCEMENT BESTOWED UPON A BOY SCOUT**

*WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts is a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young men to build character, citizenship, and leadership; and*

*WHEREAS, each scout must progress through the ranks in order, earn twenty-one (21) merit badges (that include first aid, citizenship in the community, nation and world, communication, environmental science, fitness, camping, family life, management, emergency preparedness or lifesaving, and cycling, hiking or swimming), serve six months in a leadership position within in the troop, plan and complete a service project, participate in a scoutmaster conference and complete an Eagle Scout Board of Review; and*

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*WHEREAS, the Eagle Scout Rank is the highest advancement and an accomplishment that only around five percent of all those who start Boy Scouting ever attain; and*

*WHEREAS, David Alan Heller is a member of Boy Scout Troop #62, Painesville, Lake County, and lives in Montville Township, Geauga County and has excelled in his search for knowledge, leadership, planning and community support; and*

*WHEREAS, David Alan Heller provided leadership at meetings, on campouts and has done an excellent job in all aspects of scouting; and*

*WHEREAS, David Alan Heller's Eagle Scout project consisted of planning, raising funds and building a boardwalk to eliminate washout on a trail in Big Creek Park; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners salutes David Alan Heller for service to his community and to the Boy Scouts of America;*

*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 Dvorak	Aye
	Commissioner Spidalieri	Aye
	Commissioner Lennon	Aye

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – ACKNOWLEDGE RESOLUTION FROM VILLAGE OF BURTON REGARDING SERVICES THEY WILL PROVIDE UPON ANNEXATION**

*Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to acknowledge from the Village of Burton on November 15, 2019 receipt of Resolution #2019-36 to Establish the Services the Village of Burton will provide to certain territory Proposed for Annexation, Upon Annexation, and Authorizing the Fiscal Officer to file this resolution with the Board of County Commissioners at least twenty days before the date of the Annexation Hearing and Declaring an Emergency.*

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

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

- a) A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the week ending November 6, 2019 as required by O.R.C. 955.12.*
- b) A monthly report filed by the Geauga County Sheriff's Office of an account of expenses for the prisoner transport for the month ending October 2019 as required by O.R.C. 325.07.*

**OTHER**

*The Board reviewed upcoming events. Ms. Blair added the Geauga Trumbull Solid Waste District meeting next Tuesday following the Public Viewing in Parkman to begin at 1:00 p.m.*

**MEETINGS**

*Tue., 11/26 Investment Advisory Board, 8:45 a.m., Chambers*

*Tue., 11/26 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:00 a.m. with a Public Viewing in Parkman Township regarding the proposed Petition to Vacate the Public Right of Way upon a portion of Doty Road at 11:30 a.m.*

*Thu., 11/28 **County Offices will be closed for general business in observance of Thanksgiving Day. Twenty-four hour operations will continue to operate as normal.***

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*Fri., 11/29 County offices under the hiring authority of the Board of Commissioners will be closed for general business. Twenty-four hour operations will continue to operate as usual.*

*Tue., 12/3 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:00 a.m. with a Public Hearing at 9:30 a.m. regarding the proposed Petition to Vacate the Public Right of Way upon a portion of Doty Road in Parkman Township*

*12/4- 12/6 CCAO Winter Conference, Columbus*

*Tue., 12/10 Planning Commission meeting at 7:30 a.m. in the Planning Commission meeting room, Bldg. #1C, 470 Center Street, Chardon*

*Tue., 12/10 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:30 a.m. with a Public Hearing at 10:00 a.m. for the proposed Petition for Annexation of the Demko property into the Village of Burton*

*Fri., 12/13 NOACA Board of Directors, 9:00 a.m. Cleveland*

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

*Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 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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