

**Commissioners' Journal**  
**February 24, 2022**

*The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on February 24, 2022 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, James W. Dvorak opened the meeting at 9:40 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.*

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

*Commissioner Dvorak read the following prayer:*

*Heavenly Father,*

*Thank you for your goodness and faithfulness in my life.*

*Thank you for refreshing and renewing my heart.*

*Fill me with your peace, fill me with your strength.*

*Help me to do good and stand firm*

*Until I see the harvest of blessing in Jesus name*

*Amen*

*Health Department Administrator Adam Litke introduced new Geauga County Health Commission Dr. Jeffrey Cameron, who was voted by the Board of Health on February 1<sup>st</sup> to become the new Health Commissioner. Commissioner Lennon welcomed him and added that they look forward to working with him and getting to know him. Mr. Dvorak welcomed him to Geauga County.*

**FINANCIALS**

*Clerk, Christine Blair reported on the items County Administrator Gerard Morgan approved for financials from February 15, 2022, Resolution #22-018 that included a Cash transfer from the General Fund to Community Development for their 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2021 payroll funding reimbursement, a Cash transfer from the General Fund to Family First for the January – March 2022 commitment, a Cash transfer from the General Fund to the Sheriff to pay local match for VOCA grant period October 2021 through September 2022, a Then and Now encumbrance for ADP to Norstan Communications, Incorporated for Cisco hardware and software upgrades that was not previously encumbered, a Then and Now encumbrances for the Engineer's Office to Centerra Co-Op for January fuel and to Ronyak Paving, Incorporated for a change order for the asphalt resurfacing of Russell Road, Section A, both of which were not previously encumbered, a payment for the Commissioners Office to Trumbull County for our share of the 2021 Court of Appeals expenses in the amount of \$59,628.34, a payment for the Engineer's Office to Ronyak Paving, Incorporated for the asphalt resurfacing of Butternut Road, Sections D-E in the amount of \$162,923.27, a payment for the Probate Court to Scott Larrick which the Auditor's Office indicates they are paying under protest as the services dates include charges that were incurred before the encumbrance was created in the amount of \$4,917.50 and a Revenue Certification for the Sheriff's Office in their Law Enforcement Assistance Fund for additional revenue to be received in 2022; as approved by the County Administrator pursuant to Resolution #22-004 approved January 4, 2022 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 2022, as authorized by O.R.C. 305.30.*

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

*Ms. Blair reported on the items County Administrator Gerard Morgan approved on February 11, 2022 for Water Resources granted permission to advertise for two (2) positions of Part-time Water / Wastewater Operator I (#2326-1) internally for a period of five days with applications accepted from February 14, 2022 through 4:30 p.m. on Friday, February 25, 2022, if no qualified candidate is found, the positions will be advertised externally until the positions are filled, on February 14, 2022 for Water Resources approve the promotion of Brian Cain to the position of Mechanic (#2310) at the rate of \$24.55 per hour to be effective February 20, 2022 with the remainder of the current on-year probationary period; granted permission to advertise for one (1) Full-time (#2330) and two (2) Part-time (#2330-1) positions of Maintenance Worker.*

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*These positions will be posted until filled; approved and executed the service Contract Agreement with National Pump and Process, Incorporated to perform pump maintenance at various wastewater facilities within the department for a two-year period, 2022-2023 in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 (\$5,000.00 per year); approved and executed the service Contract Agreement with Fredebaugh Well Drilling, Incorporated to perform well and well pump services as needed within the department for a one-year period, 2022 in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00; approved and executed the service Contract Agreement with Swift First Aid to perform refilling first aid kits at various water district locations within the department for a one-year period, 2022 in an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00, on February 16, 2022 for a Liquor License, concurred with the Thompson Township Trustees in not requesting a hearing on the Liquor License being requested by Hemly Tool Supply, Incorporated d.b.a. Hemly Hardware located at 16600 Thompson Road, Thompson, Ohio (C NEW 3758987), on February 17, 2022 for the Commissioner's Office approved and executed Contract Maintenance Form #2, increasing the Contract with NV5 for Move Management Services in regards to the Geauga County Office Building in the amount of \$55,500.00; for Water Resources approved an unpaid medical leave of absence for Rob Edmonds, in accordance with the County policy for a Family Medical Leave of Absence (FMLA) for the period December 25, 2021 through February 17, 2022; approved an unpaid medical leave of absence for Rob Edmonds, in accordance with the Union Contract, for the period February 18, 2022 through April 22, 2022 and on February 22, 2022, for the Department of Development (Building) approved hiring Tina Breunig to the position of Permit Coordinator (#1106) to be effective March 7, 2022 at the rate of \$15.36 per hour (Grade 6, Step 2) with a one-year probationary period. This offer of employment is contingent upon the successful completion of the required pre-employment conditions; for Department of Development (Community & Economic) approved and executed a Satisfaction for the Promissory Note with Geauga Music Center, Incorporated as the Revolving Loan Fund Loan for machinery and equipment in the amount of \$33,000.00 has been satisfied and Paid in Full; for Job and Family Services acknowledged the following new hire appointments, as the Director of Job and Family Services complied with the Board of Commissioners' recruitment and hiring procedures for: Elizabeth Evans, Clerical Specialist III (replacement) effective January 24, 2022 and Rachel Miltner, Social Services Worker I (replacement) effective February 15, 2022 and for Maintenance approved an unpaid personal leave of absence for Andrea Scheid, Part-time General Communications Clerk / Switchboard Operator for up to twenty-five (25) hours during the period March 3, 2022 through March 11, 2022; as authorized by Resolution #22-004 under the direction and supervision of the County Commissioners that was approved January 4, 2022 pursuant to O.R.C. 305.30.*

**MEETING MINUTES**

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of January 4, 2022.*

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

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of January 11, 2022.*

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

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of January 20, 2022.*

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

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of January 25, 2022.*

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

**APPROVE FINANCIALS**

*Budget and Finance Manager Adrian Gorton explained the financials for today as including various Appropriation transfers from the Board of Developmental Disabilities in their Metzenbaum Fund to consolidate their payroll accounts, Travel request for the Recorder's Office, a payment for Aging to Wellsky Synergy Human and Social Services Corp for their client management system software licenses for the department in the amount of \$43,700.00, a payment for Community Development to Neighborhood Development Services for the balance of their contract for the management of the 2019 CDBG Block grant projects in the amount of \$30,005.96, a payment for Water Resources to HDR Engineering, Incorporated for services related to the McFarland Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade and renovation project in the amount of \$50,643.98.*

*Mr. Gorton added an additional note regarding Financials, that all the invoices related to the Mandamus Action ruled by the Supreme Court have been paid and did not go through regular session. There were two payment dates, Tuesday, Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, included payments totaling \$26,062.12 was paid to Company 119, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Media, Kim Laurie, Chagrin Valley Times, Karlovec Media Group and TRZ Business Services and then \$20,285.66 was paid from the Juvenile/Probate Court on February 18, 2022 for Vouchers to Lori A. White, Advanced Media Publications, Incorporated, Guaranteed Delivery Service and Weekley's Mailing Service all of which were part of the Mandamus action recently ruled on by the State Supreme Court. These items were paid at the direction of the Prosecutor's Office in accordance with the ruling and are not being paid under today's financials, as they have already been processed and paid by the Auditor's Office.*

*Mr. Lennon asked for clarification and understanding of the process, and that the invoices for these payments pulled and not put through Commissioners financials during session, and now this ruling comes out from the Supreme Court, these payments were processed outside of session. Mr. Gorton stated that several departments like the Sheriff and the Auditors can do encumbrances live, but payments have to go through session. Mr. Gorton stated that we have never had a situation like this, but with the ruling from the Supreme Court order, they did pay them. Now that everything has been paid, we can only believe that paying them will be done in session financials, under protest as noted. Mr. Gorton noted that we just learned about these payments yesterday and this morning.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvrak to approve and execute Resolution #22-019 itemizing the financials for the meeting of February 24, 2022.*

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

**AUDITOR'S AND TREASURER'S OFFICE – MONTHLY STATEMENT OF COUNTY FINANCES FILED FOR JUNE 2021 THROUGH DECEMBER 2021**

*Mr. Gorton explained that there was a discrepancy in the September and October statements that was fixed and balanced out in the November statement.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to accept, execute and file the monthly Statement of County Finances files by the County Auditor for the months of June 2021 through December 2021, pursuant to O.R.C. 319.15.*

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

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to accept, execute and file the monthly Statement of County Finances filed by the County Treasurer for the months of June 2021 through December 2021, pursuant to O.R.C. 319.15.*

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

*COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – UNIT PRICE CONTRACT – RONYAK PAVING, INCORPORATED – RESURFACING OF THOMPSON ROAD*

*Deputy Engineer Nick Gorris asked the Board to execute the Unit Price Contract with Ronyak Paving for the asphalt resurfacing of Thompson Road, adding that the project had already been awarded.*

*Motion:*            *by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute the Unit Price Contract with Ronyak Paving, Incorporated for the Asphalt Resurfacing of Thompson Road (CH-0007, Sections A-E) in Thompson Township in the amount of \$602,325.00.*

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

*PROBATE/JUVENILE COURT – OHIO DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH SERVICES (DYS) GRANT AGREEMENT AND FUNDING APPLICATION FOR FY2022*

*Ms. Blair explained that this is the DYS Grant agreement for FY2022 funding. Ms. Blair noted that she had been contacted by the Court regarding this item, inquiring why it had not been signed and returned and it was discovered that it had been lost in transition, as it was never received or logged in the Commissioners Office. Ms. Blair asked that the copy being sent down have initials placed by the Judge so there was a wet signature on the document prior to the Board's execution. It was noted that the document was dated in May of 2021.*

*Motion:*            *by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Ohio Department of Youth Services (DYS), Juvenile Court Grant Agreement and Funding Application for FY2022, for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023 in the amount of \$336,467.43 (including carryover of \$93,857.64).*

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

*SHERIFF'S OFFICE – ANNUAL FEDERAL EQUITABLE SHARING AGREEMENT AND CERTIFICATION*

*Sheriff Scott Hildenbrand explained that this is the annual Federal Equitable Sharing of the forfeiture funds.*

*Motion:*            *by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Annual Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification of FY ending December 31, 2021.*

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

*SHERIFF'S OFFICE – VAWA GRANT (STOP VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT) PRE-AWARD CONDITIONS AND STANDARD ASSURANCES*

*Sheriff Hildenbrand explained that this grant is for Deputy Taylor who is assigned to this program, winning an award last year for her work and assistance with victims of domestic violence.*

*Motion:*            *by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS) VAWA Grant (STOP Violence Against Women Act) Pre-award Conditions and Standard Assurances forms for Grant #2021-WF-VA2-8214 in the amount of \$63,139.31 (\$47,354.48 from OCJS and \$15,784.83 local County match). This grant is for the period January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.*

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

SHERIFF'S OFFICE – LABORATORY SERVICES AGREEMENT – REVISED NAME AND ADDRESS FOR UH REGIONAL HOSPITAL – INMATE BILLING OF LAB SERVICES

Chief Deputy Tom Rowan explained that this services agreement is to revise the name and address for the Hospital for the inmate billing of lab services.

Motion:           by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Laboratory Services Agreement, revising the name and address to UH Regional Hospital for inmate billing of lab services, for a one-year term that has automatic renewal, in an amount not to exceed \$9,000.00 per year.

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

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT (BUILDING) – ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS – MASTER PLANS EXAMINER SERVICES – RANK THOSE RECEIVED AND AUTHORIZE NEGOTIATIONS

Chief Building Official / Director Dan Spada explained that we had gone out for Statement of Qualifications and today he was asking to acknowledge the ones received, to rank them and ask to begin negotiations. Mr. Spada stated that this year we received 5, 4 of which we have had contracts with in the past, the 5<sup>th</sup> is a company in Cleveland. Mr. Spada, explained that we negotiate an hourly rate and that gets incorporated into the permit fee and ends up at no cost to the department. In years past, we had a three-year contract and it exceeded \$50,000.00 so we had to go back out for new statements. They review all the commercial plans, and due to the volume of work we have been doing, we are only doing a two year contract this year.

Motion:           by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to acknowledge the receipt of Statement of Qualifications for Master Plans Examiner Services from five (5) agencies, then rank and authorize the department begin negotiations on contracts.

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

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT (COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC) – OHIO DEVELOPMENT SERVICES AGENCY / OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION CONTACTS FORM – MAINTAIN GRANT PROGRAMS

Director Martin Castelletti asked the Board to approve the Community Development contract form that is used to maintain the grant programs.

Motion:           by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Ohio Development Services Agency/Office of Community Development Organization Contacts Form, which is used to apply for and maintain programs and grants.

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

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT (COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC) – CONTRACT – NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT SERVICES, INCORPORATED – ADMINISTER AND IMPLEMENT PY2021 CDBG PROGRAMS

Mr. Castelletti asked the Board to execute the contract with Neighborhood Development Services for the CDBG programs. Mr. Castelletti explained that they will be helping with the CDBG allocation projects and training the department at the same time, now that we have new employees to learn the process.

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*Motion:* by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute the Contract with Neighborhood Development Services, Incorporated for assistance administering and implementing the PY2021 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Programs, for the period February 24, 2022 through October 31, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$41,800.00.

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

*MAINTENANCE – APPROVE CREATION, TITLE AND JOB DESCRIPTION – FISCAL AND BUDGET OFFICER #1921 – REVISE ORGANIZATIONAL CHART TO INCLUDE POSITION – ADVERTISE POSITION INTERNALLY FIVE DAYS*

*Director Glen Vernick asked the Board to approve creating a new position that replaces the position that Ms. Dolson had held. Mr. Vernick stated that this position has been revised to add additional duties. Mr. Vernick asked to update his organizational chart to include the new position and then advertise internally for five days.*

*Motion:* by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve the creation, title and job description for the position of Fiscal and Budget Officer (#1921) to be effective February 24, 2022.

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

*Motion:* by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve the revised organizational chart to include the new position of Fiscal and Budget Officer (#1921) to be effective February 24, 2022.

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

*Motion:* by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to grant permission to advertise for the position of Fiscal and Budget Officer (#1921) internally for a period of five days with applications accepted from February 28, 2022 through 4:30 p.m. on Friday, March 4, 2022.

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

*DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – CHANGE ORDER #3 – INCREASE ENGINEERING AGREEMENT – GPD GROUP – CHARDON TOWNSHIP WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND SEWER PROJECT*

*Director Steven Oluic asked the Board to approve the change order with GPD for the Chardon Township project, as it has gone longer than anticipated.*

*Motion:* by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute Change Order #3, increasing the Engineering Agreement with GPD Group, to cover the additional hours of Construction Administrative and Construction Inspector Services for the Chardon Township Wastewater Treatment Plant and Sewer Project in the amount of \$45,375.00.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – ENGINEERING AGREEMENT – HDR ENGINEERING, INCORPORATED – AQUILLA WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADE PROJECT

*Dr. Oluic asked the Board to approve the engineering agreement with HDR Engineering for the design and engineering of the Aquilla Wastewater Plant upgrades.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute the Engineering Agreement between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and HDR Engineering, Incorporated for Engineering Services for the Aquilla Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Project in the amount of \$75,000.00.*

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

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – ENGINEERING AGREEMENT – GLAUS, PYLE SCHOMER BURNS AND DEHAVEN, INCORPORATED D.B.A. GPD GROUP – COUNTY SERVICES CENTER WATER SYSTEM UPGRADE PROJECT

*Dr. Oluic asked the Board to approve the agreement with GPD for the Services Center project to upgrade the water system over where the new building is going in, this will be for the design and engineering of that water system.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute Engineering Agreement between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and Glaus Pyle Schomer Burns and Dehaven, Incorporated d.b.a. (GPD Group) for County Services Center Water System Upgrade Project in the amount of \$80,174.00.*

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

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – SERVICE CONTRACT AGREEMENT – GPD GROUP – GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES – THREE MONTH TRIAL

*Dr. Oluic asked the Board to approve a temporary agreement for three months to aid the department with engineering services to ease the burden on Mr. Morgan. Dr. Oluic hopes to have a Design Engineer hired, but this will help in the meantime, there is just a lot going on with projects.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute the service Contract Agreement with GPD Group to perform General Engineering Services for a three-month trial period beginning February 24, 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$25,920.00.*

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

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – OHIO WATER DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FUND PAYMENT REQUESTS #1, #2 AND #3 – HDR ENGINEERING INCORPORATED – MCFARLAND WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT RENOVATION AND UPGRADE PROJECT

*Dr. Oluic asked the Board to approve the OWDA payment requests #1, #2, and #3 for HDR Engineering, for the McFarland treatment plant renovation and upgrade, adding that these are reimbursements.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Ohio Water Development Authority Fund Payment Request #1 (loan #9441) for HDR Engineering, Incorporated for the McFarland Wastewater Treatment Plant Renovation and Upgrade Project for technical services in the amount of \$44,324.08.*

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

*Motion:*            *by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Ohio Water Development Authority Fund Payment Request #2 (loan #9441) for HDR Engineering, Incorporated for the McFarland Wastewater Treatment Plant Renovation and Upgrade Project for technical services in the amount of \$44,990.54.*

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

*Motion:*            *by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Ohio Water Development Authority Fund Payment Request #3 (loan #9441) for HDR Engineering, Incorporated for the McFarland Wastewater Treatment Plant Renovation and Upgrade Project for technical services in the amount of \$50,643.98.*

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

*DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – SERVICE CONTRACT AGREEMENT – MACK INDUSTRIES, INCORPORATED – REPLACE DRIVE UNITS TO STAINLESS COMPONENTS – AUBURN CORNERS WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT*

*Dr., Oluic asked the Board to approve the service Contract with Mack Industries to replace the drive units to stainless steel components on the clarifiers at Auburn Corners. Dr. Oluic stated that the solution is rough on non-stainless steel and the decision at the time of the project was not to use stainless and we are now replacing them.*

*Motion:*            *by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute the service Contract Agreement with Mack Industries, Incorporated to perform Replacement of Drive Units to Stainless Steel Components on the South and North Clarifiers at Auburn Corners Wastewater Treatment Plant for a one-year period, 2022 in an amount not to exceed \$29,479.00.*

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

*DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – CHARDON TOWNSHIP WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND SEWER PROJECT FINAL COSTS – LIST OF ASSESSMENTS TO BE PLACED ON FILE*

*Dr. Oluic asked the Board to approve the final costs for the Chardon Township Wastewater Treatment plant and sewer project and list of assessments.*

*Motion:*            *by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve the Chardon Township Wastewater Treatment Plant and Sewer Project final costs and the list of assessments to be placed on file in the office of Sanitary Engineer and with the Clerk of Board.*

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

*DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – RESOLUTION LEVYING ASSESSMENTS FOR CHARDON TOWNSHIP WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND SEWERS PROJECT*

*Dr. Oluic asked the Board to approve the resolution to levy the assessments for the Chardon Township Wastewater Treatment Plant and Sewers project.*



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*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute Resolution #22-020 Levying Assessments for the Chardon Township Wastewater Treatment Plant and Sewers Project in the Geauga County Sanitary Sewer District.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Date: February 24, 2022*

*Resolution: #22-020*

*The Board of County Commissioners of the County of Geauga met on February 24, 2022, commencing at 9:30 o'clock, a.m., in regular session in the Commissioners' Chambers at 470 Center Street, Building No. 4, Chardon, Ohio, with the following members present:*

*James W. Dvorak Timothy C. Lennon ~~Ralph Spidaleri~~*

*The Clerk advised the Board that the notice requirements of Section 121.22 of the Revised Code and the implementing rules adopted by the Board pursuant thereto were complied with for the meeting.*

*Commissioner Lennon presented the following preambles and resolution and moved their adoption, which motion was duly seconded by Commissioner Dvorak*

**RESOLUTION #22-020**

**A RESOLUTION LEVYING ASSESSMENTS FOR THE CHARDON TOWNSHIP WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND SEWERS PROJECT IN THE GEAUGA COUNTY SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT.**

*WHEREAS, on August 27, 2019, this Board adopted Resolution No. 19-102 declaring it necessary to construct sanitary sewers to provide sanitary sewer service to properties located in the Berkshire Heights Subdivision, Chardon Township in the Geauga County Sanitary Sewer District, also known as the Chardon Township Wastewater Treatment Plant and Sewers Project (the Project); and*

*WHEREAS, the Geauga County Sanitary Engineer has presented to this Board the special assessments for the property owners' portion of the cost of the Project, thereby requiring that action be taken as in this resolution provided; and*

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

*Section 1. The assessments in the aggregate amount of \$3,164,000.00 for the cost of constructing the Project in the Geauga County Sanitary Sewer District are hereby approved, levied and confirmed.*

*Section 2. The amount assessed against any parcel of land may be paid in whole or in part in cash or by check until the close of business 30 days after the adoption of this resolution.*

*Section 3. All assessments and installments thereof remaining unpaid at the expiration of the period referred to in the preceding Section 2 shall be certified to the County Auditor as provided by law to be placed on the tax list and duplicate and collected as other taxes are collected in 60 semi-annual installments, with 1.85% interest.*

*Section 4. This Board hereby directs the Clerk of this Board to send to each owner of property assessed a notice by first class mail of the amount of the particular assessment and advising the owner that the assessment may be paid in whole or in part in cash or by check as provided above.*

*Section 5. The Clerk of this Board is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the County Auditor within twenty days after its adoption.*

*Section 6. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board and of any of its committees concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were taken, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were held, in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.*

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

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – AUTHORIZE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO SUBMIT LETTERS REGARDING APPOINTMENT TO ONE OHIO GOVERNANCE BOARD FOR DISTRICT 13

*Mr. Dvorak asked the Board to authorize Mr. Morgan to send letters to the Townships, City and Villages regarding appointment to the One Ohio Governance Board for District 13. Mr. Dvorak explained that our District is Ashtabula, Lake and Portage Counties.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and authorize the County Administrator to submit letters to the Townships, Township Association, City and Villages of Geauga County regarding an appointment to the One Ohio Governance Board for District 13.*

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

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – APPROVE AND ISSUE ADDENDUM #1 – COMPETITIVE BID SOLICITATION – MOVING SERVICES RELATED TO COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING PROJECT

*Ms. Blair asked the Board to approve Addendum #1 for the Moving Services Bid currently out to answer the questions following the walk thru.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and issue Addendum #1 for the Competitive Bid Solicitation for Moving Services related to the Geauga County Office Building project, covering the questions and answers from the non-mandatory pre-bid walk through to be issued today, February 24, 2022.*

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

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a) The Monthly Financial Report from the County Building Department for the month of January 2022.*
- b) A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the weeks ending February 2, 2022 and February 9, 2022 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, 2022.*
- 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, 2022 as required by O.R.C. 325.07.*
- e) The Annual Statement of Unpaid Fees for the calendar year 2020 filed by the Sheriff's Office of an accurate account of all fees, costs, penalties, percentages, allowances and prerequisites that have remained unpaid for more than one year pursuant to ORC 325.31.*
- f) The Monthly Inventory Report, Consolidated Investment Portfolio and Obligations and Securities monthly reports filed by the Treasurer's Office for Geauga County for the Months of November and January, 2022 pursuant to ORC 135.35(L).*

OTHER

*The Board reviewed upcoming events.*

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*Ms. Blair asked if the Board could do a Solid Waste meeting on March 15<sup>th</sup>. It can be held virtual if needed, since the law was changed to allow them to be virtual through the end of June.*

**MEETINGS**

*Mon., 2/28 Family First Council, 1:30 p.m. Mental Health Offices*

*Tues., 3/1 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:30 a.m.*

*Tue., 3/8 Planning Commission, 7:30 a.m. 470 Center Street, Building 8 meeting room*

*Tue., 3/8 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:30 a.m.*

*Mon., 3/14 Board of Revision, 9:00 a.m. Auditor's Office*

*Tue., 3/15 Investment Advisory Committee, 8:45 a.m. Chambers / Conference Room*

*Tue., 3/15 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:30 a.m.*

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Reporter from Chagrin Valley Times asked for clarification on the seats to be appointed to the District 13, and that it is 3 people from each of the counties, 1 Commissioner, 1 unincorporated and 1 incorporated areas of the county.*

*Resident James MacNeal from Troy Township explained that he had attended the Health Board meeting and made a statement about PCR tests, and the things the Health Department should be telling us, and that the information is being manipulated and we were not told about the risks. Mr. MacNeal explained that the Board of Health is encouraging all people to be vaccinated with no statement of risk, if you have never seen it, this is the vaccine package insert from Gardasil which is the HPV vaccine, it is 3 foot by 3.5 foot filled with information about the clinical trials and data that were done, the risks, reactions, next holding up the insert from the vaccine the Board of Health is giving out, it is blank, intentionally blank, a few QR codes that don't work, there are different types of vaccines, all intentionally blank. At the end of World War II, at the Nierenberg Conference all the Nations of the World agreed that there was to be no more experiments done on the human population, there were requirements for informed consent, those are not being observed and accomplished, this is not informed consent, I object!*

*Mr. Litke explained that there is a QR code on one insert, and depending on who you are, and we are unique, we our Amish population and not everyone has a cell phone and there are documents that are in print and handed out with information. Mr. Litke stated that they haven't seen any increases in death due to the vaccines. Mr. Litke added that they do look at things to make sure they are doing what is in the best interest of the residents.*

*Resident Christine Stenzile brought up a video of Senator Ron Johnson's presentation on January 24, 2022 and it speaks to the things Mr. MacNeal is talking about.*

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

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to adjourn the meeting at 10:26 a.m.*

*Geauga County Board of Commissioners*

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*James W. Dvorak*

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*Timothy C. Lennon*

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*Ralph Spidalieri*

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*Christine Blair, Commissioners' Clerk*

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