The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on September 20, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Offices located at 12611 Ravenwood Drive, Room B303 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 9:32 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Dvorak read the following prayer:

#### O God of Creation

You have blessed us with the changing of the seasons! Remind us of the wonder of your creation Remind us that it is you who give us breath of life Amen

#### **FINANCIALS**

County Administrator Gerard Morgan reported on financials from September 14, 2022, Resolution #22-165 that included Appropriations transfer from Job and Family Services to reallocate funds within Public Assistance for an upcoming travel and phone service, a Supplemental appropriation for the Commissioners Office in the 2019 Capital Reserve Fund to provide appropriations for encumbrance increases and a Travel request for Job and Family Services; as approved by the County Administrator pursuant to Resolution #22-032 approved March 15, 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.

#### <u>COMMISSIONERS OFFICE - COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT</u>

County Administrator Gerard Morgan reported on the items approved by the County Administrator on September 16, 2022 for the Department of Development (Community & Economic) approved the promotion of Tina Breunig to the position of Full-time Office Coordinator (#1412) at the rate of \$16.88 per hour (Grade 7, Step 1) to be effective September 26, 2022 with a 180-day probationary period, and for the Department of Development (Building) granted permission to advertise for the position of Full-time Permit Coordinator (#1106), this position will remain posted until filled; as authorized by Resolution #22-032 under the direction and supervision of the County Commissioners that was approved March 15, 2022 pursuant to O.R.C. 305.30.

## **MEETING MINUTES**

Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and

execute the minutes for the meeting of July 12, 2022.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Abstain\*

Commissioner Lennon Aye Commissioner Dvorak Aye

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and

execute the minutes for the meeting of July 19, 2022.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Abstain\*

Commissioner Lennon Aye Commissioner Dvorak Aye

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and

execute the minutes for the meeting of July 21, 2022.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Abstain\*

Commissioner Lennon Aye Commissioner Dvorak Aye

#### APPROVE FINANCIALS

Budget and Finance Manager Adrian Gorton explained the financials for today as including a Supplemental Appropriation for Community Development in the Block Grant Fund Project Contracts account for upcoming encumbrances, an Encumbrance increase for the Commissioners to the Geauga Community Improvement Corporation to cover the remaining lease payments for the old Job and Family Services building to UH hospital, Travel requests for the Engineer's Office, Probate Court and Transit, a Contract Purchase Order form for Transit to Reel's Auto Sales for a 2014 model year Ford E350 Super Duty Bus, and a payment for the Commissioner's Office to Donley's Independence, LLC for pay request #21 and #22 for the new county building project in the amount of \$4,430,521.96 and a Revenue Certification for Water Resources for additional Federal Grants and Penalties to be received in 2022.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and

 $execute \ Resolution \ \#22-166 \ itemizing \ the \ financials \ for \ the \ meeting \ of \ September$ 

20, 2022.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Aye

Commissioner Lennon Aye Commissioner Dvorak Aye

<u>COMMISSIONERS OFFICE – CHANGE ORDER #15 – INCREASE CONTRACT – DONLEY'S</u> <u>INDEPENDENCE, LLC – GUARANTEED MAXIMUM PRICE, PHASE #1 AND PHASE #2 –</u> <u>ADDITION OF HYDRONIC SNOWMELT FOR SIDEWALKS</u>

Mr. Morgan explained that this change order is for the snowmelt system in the front and back walkways at the entrances.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and

authorize the President of the Board to execute Change Order #15, increasing the Contract with Donley's Independence, LLC for the Guaranteed Maximum Price, Phase #1 and Phase #2 for the addition of hydronic snowmelt for the sidewalks in

the amount of \$318,909.00.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Aye

Commissioner Lennon Aye Commissioner Dvorak Aye

<u>COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – CHANGE ORDER #16 – INCREASE CONTRACT – DONLEY'S</u> <u>INDEPENDENCE, LLC – GUARANTEED MAXIMUM PRICE, PHASE #1 AND PHASE #2 –</u> <u>DEPLOYMENT OF HYBRID DAS SYSTEM FOR IMPROVED CELL SERVICE</u>

Mr. Morgan explained that this is the change order for the DAS system to boost cell service within the building.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and

authorize the President of the Board to execute Change Order #16, increasing the Contract with Donley's Independence, LLC for the Guaranteed Maximum Price, Phase #1 and Phase #2 for the deployment of a hybrid DAS System (antenna) for improved cell service in and out of the building in the amount of \$191,735.00.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Aye

Commissioner Lennon Aye Commissioner Dvorak Aye

<u>COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – COUNTY EMPLOYEE BENEFIT CONSORTIUM OF OHIO</u> (CEBCO) PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT - 2023

Human Resources Specialist Kelly Bidlack asked the Board to approve the participation agreement with CEBCO for our healthcare benefits program.

<sup>\*</sup>Commissioner Spidalieri was absent from these meetings.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and

execute the County Employee Benefit Consortium of Ohio, Incorporated (CEBCO) Participation Agreement for the period January 1, 2023 through

December 31, 2025.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Aye

Commissioner Lennon Aye Commissioner Dvorak Aye

# <u>COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – CEBCO GEAUGA COUNTY HEALTHCARE RATE RENEWAL</u> <u>ACCEPTANCE - 2023</u>

Commissioner Lennon asked if there had been an increase for this year to which Mr. Morgan stated yes, it was 2.3%, the average was 3% and overall it was between 0% and 8% across the counties.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and

execute the CEBCO Geauga County Healthcare Rate Renewal Acceptance for

2023.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Aye

Commissioner Lennon Aye Commissioner Dvorak Aye

## <u>COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – 2023 CEBCO/ANTHEM HEALTHCARE PLAN 1C AND 4D, RX</u> AND DELTA DENTAL RENEWAL PLANS AND RATES - 2023

Ms. Bidlack asked the Board to accept the plans and rates for 2023.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to accept and

approve the 2023 Geauga County CEBCO/Anthem Healthcare (Plans 1C and 4D), AnthemRX prescription and Delta Dental Renewal Plans and Rates to be effective January 1, 2023 and further approve and authorize the President of the

Board to execute the Summary Benefits Forms.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Aye

Commissioner Lennon Aye Commissioner Dvorak Aye

# <u>COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – ANTHEM GROUP LIFE / ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE RATE RENEWAL - 2023</u>

Ms. Bidlack asked the Board to accept the rate renewal for life / accidental death and Dismemberment, adding that this is a continuation of the current program we have.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and

execute the Anthem Group Life / Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance

Rate Renewal for 2023.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Aye

Commissioner Lennon Aye Commissioner Dvorak Aye

# <u>COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – CEBCO MEMBER 2022-2023 WELLNESS PROGRAM – HEALTHWORKS – GEAUGA COUNTY EMPLOYEE HEALTH AND WELLNESS</u>

Ms. Bidlack asked the Board to approve the CEBCO employee health and wellness program for 2023.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to accept and

approve the CEBCO Member 2022-2023 Wellness Program with HealthWorks for Geauga County Employee Health and Wellness beginning October 1, 2022 for

the period of August 13, 2022 through August 11, 2023.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Aye

Commissioner Lennon Aye
Commissioner Dvorak Aye

# ADP / AUDITOR'S OFFICE – APPROVE TRANSFER OF FUNDS – UNTETHERED LABS, INCORPORATED – HALBERD TOKENS, USB SENSORS (GATEKEEPER) – COUNTY MULTI-FACTOR AUTHENTICATION

Administrator Frank Antenucci explained that this is the hardware for the tokens, for multifactor authentication which gives a double layer of security to log into systems. Mr. Antenucci explained that they got a grant for them and they are running about 100 tokens on a trial basis and the licenses are expiring in October. Mr. Lennon explained that this Board has supported ADP for security, but this is a request for a transfer of funds. Mr. Antenucci noted several departments that are doing a trial run on the tokens. Mr. Lennon asked if they are not happy with them we are not stuck with them. Mr. Antenucci stated that the licenses are separate, the hope is to purchase the initial tokens and then the license will be separate.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve a

transfer of funds for Untethered Labs, Incorporated for the purchase of Halberd Tokens and USB Sensors (Gatekeeper) for County Multi-Factor Authentication in

the amount of \$33,450.00.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri No

Commissioner Lennon Aye Commissioner Dvorak Aye

# <u>ADP / AUDITOR'S OFFICE – TRANSFER OF FUNDS – UNTETHERED LABS, INCORPORATED – GATEKEEPER ENTERPRICE ANNUAL LICENSE</u>

The license fee will be an annual amount of \$36,000.00. Mr. Lennon asked if they had gone for out to bid. Mr. Antenucci stated that the tokens are separate from the license and since they are separate did not go out for bid or proposal. Mr. Lennon asked if there were other companies that do multi-factor authentication. Commissioner Spidalieri asked about the tokens having issues, to which Ms. Blair explained that we have the software on our computers, however I do not have enough ports on my thin client and Ms. Hostutler doesn't have enough ports on her laptop and Ms. Bidlack, does have it but has had trouble with hers since it was installed.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve a

transfer of funds for Untethered Labs, Incorporated for GateKeeper Enterprise

Annual License (Ultimate) in the amount of \$33,600.00.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri No

Commissioner Lennon Aye Commissioner Dvorak Aye

# <u>ADP / AUDITOR 'S OFFICE – REIMBURSEMENT FOR MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT – DRAGOS, INCORPORATED FOR IR BASIC SERVICE – TRAVEL EXPENSES</u>

Mr. Antenucci stated that this was the initial transfer for the Dragos Incident Response and SCADA analysis for the McFarland wastewater treatment plant. Mr. Antenucci provided a preliminary report that indicated there was some potential issues with the PLC, which is relieving, the PLC is the device that talks to the valves and other pieces of the plant, the interface that makes the machine work, Mr. Keener added the PLC is often referred to as Programmable Logic. Mr. Antenucci stated that they think it had to do with the Net Gear switch that failed that has been replaced, a Windows update issue, they aren't sure, this preliminary report is for the fifty hours, however they want to get a completed report and present the ultimate findings. Mr. Lennon asked what has been spent to now, to which Mr. Antenucci stated, \$49,499.00, which Mr. Lennon asked why that number. Mr. Antenucci asked for an additional \$24,000.00 to finalize the report and set us up for the SCADA in the future. Mr. Antenucci stated that we had a plant shut down and we need to find the conclusion on that. Mr. Lennon asked about the cost of this process and who was paying for it, Mr. Antenucci noted that originally it was going to be the Commissioners, then it was changed for Water Resources to pay for it, but it was after the fact and they had already been initiated. Mr. Lennon stated that you had asked for \$97,000.00 for cloud storage and that wasn't used for it. Mr. Antenucci stated that they used about \$50,000.00 for cloud storage for this year and they had enough to cover this Dragos contract. Mr. Lennon stated that you found it within your budget and feels that ADP can cover it.

Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve a

reimbursement for the Master Services Agreement between Geauga County (listed as 231 Main Street, Suite 1A) and Dragos, Incorporated for IR Basic Service at \$445.00 per hour for 100 hours in the amount of \$44,500.00 and Travel and Expenses in the amount of \$4,999.00 for a total amount of \$49,499.00.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri No

Commissioner Lennon No Commissioner Dvorak Aye

#### Motion failed

# <u>ADP/AUDITOR'S OFFICE – APPROVE TRANSFER OF FUNDS – DRAGO'S</u> <u>INCORPORATED – FORENSIC INVESTIGATION AT MCFARLAND WASTEWATER</u> <u>TREATMENT PLANT</u>

Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve a

transfer of funds for Dragos, Incorporated for a forensic investigation at the

McFarland WWTP in the amount of \$24,475.00.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri No

Commissioner Lennon No Commissioner Dvorak Aye

#### Motion failed

# <u>COMMON PLEAS COURT / DRUG COURT – APPROVE SUBMISSION OF CREDIT CARD APPLICATION – GEAUGA CREDIT UNION - VISA</u>

Clerk Christine Blair explained that this was an application for the Credit Union to obtain a new credit card for the Drug Court.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve the

submission of a credit card application to the Geauga Credit Union for a VISA

that will be used for travel purposes.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Aye

Commissioner Lennon Aye Commissioner Dvorak Aye

# <u>PLANNING COMMISSION – ACKNOWLEDGE PROPOSED LOT SPLIT – DOES NOT MATERIALLY AFFECT RIGHT OF WAY EASEMENT – PARCEL #25-079700</u>

Director Linda Crombie explained that the Commissioners hold an easement on a tower site location in Parkman Township, the easement in place states that no split can happen if it materially affects the easement, it was tabled at a previous meeting, and after further review the split will not materially affect it. Mr. Morgan noted that it was discussed about the county possibly purchasing the property, however it would require the owner to change the lot splits and require maintenance on the property. Mr. Morgan stated that the current plan for the split does not materially affect the easement.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to acknowledge

the proposed lot split on Parcel No. 25-079700 and that it does not materially affect the Right of Way Easement held by the Geauga County Board of

Commissioners.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Aye

Commissioner Lennon Aye Commissioner Dvorak Aye

# <u>DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES IV-D CONTRACTS – COMMON PLEAS COURT FOR MAGISTRATE SERVICES AND PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE FOR LEGAL SERVICES</u>

Tracy Olszowy, Director of Child Support asked the Board to approve the annual IV-D contracts with the Common Pleas Court and the Prosecutor's Office for magistrate and legal services.

Ms. Olszowy explained that the county receives reimbursement back from Federal at 66% for

these services.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and

execute the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services IV-D Contract between the Geauga County Child Support Enforcement Agency and the Geauga County Common Pleas Court for magistrate services for the period July 1, 2022 through

June 30, 2023 in the amount of \$89.29 per hour.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Aye

Commissioner Lennon Aye Commissioner Dvorak Aye

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and

execute the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services IV-D Contract between the Geauga County Child Support Enforcement Agency and the Geauga County Prosecutor's Office for legal services for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30,

2023 in the amount of \$65.99 per hour.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Aye

Commissioner Lennon Aye Commissioner Dvorak Aye

# TRANSIT – ACCEPT AND APPROVE PURCHASE OF E350 SUPER DUTY BUS – REEL'S AUTO SALES, LLC – AUTHORIZE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM GENERAL FUND TO COVER PURCHASE PRICE OF BUS AND MINOR REPAIRS

Director JoAnna Santilli explained that the Board had approved the purchase of a used bus from Reel's, today is just a formal approval on moving forward with the purchase and the funds coming from the General Fund to cover the cost of the bus and repairs.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to accept and

approve the purchase of a E350 Super Duty Bus from Reel's Auto Sales, LLC in the amount of \$20,084.00 and further authorize a transfer of funds from the General Fund to cover the purchase price of the bus and minor repairs into the

*Transit Capital 4027 Fund in the amount of \$25,000.00.* 

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Aye

Commissioner Lennon Aye Commissioner Dvorak Aye

#### TRANSIT - SERVICE CONTRACT AGREEMENT - GREAT LAKES GUTTERS, LLC

Ms. Santilli asked the Board to approve the service contract with Great Lakes Gutters to do repair and replacement work on the gutters that are hanging off on one side. This is part of the ODOT grant and once we pay the contractor we get reimbursement back of 80% of the cost. Ms. Santilli explained that they have heat tapes however the gutters pulling away from the building are no longer attached and are not draining and ice builds up on them.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and

execute the service Contract Agreement with Great Lakes Gutters, LLC to remove and install gutters and downspouts for the facility located at 12555 Merritt Road, Chardon to be completed by November 15, 2022 in the amount not to exceed

\$21,598.00.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Aye

Commissioner Lennon Aye Commissioner Dvorak Aye

# <u>DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – APPROVE STEP INCREASE – BRIAN LOZA, WATER SUPERVISOR</u>

Sanitary Engineer Nicholas Gorris asked the Board to approve a step increase for Supervisor Brian Loza. Mr. Gorris answered a question from Mr. Lennon about this being a merit increase for his responsibilities and what he has been doing.

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve a

Step Increase for Brian Loza, Water Supervisor from Grade W8, Step 2 to Grade W8, Step 3 (\$33.05 per hour) to be effective September 18, 2022 (Payroll #20).

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Aye

Commissioner Lennon Aye Commissioner Dvorak Aye

# <u>DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – CONTRACT MAINTENANCE FORM #1 –</u> <u>ENGINEERNG AGREEMENT WITH GPD GROUP – EXTEND AN ADDITIONAL FIFTY-FIVE</u> <u>DAYS</u>

Mr. Gorris asked the Board to extend the current contract with GPD Group for general engineering to allow for additional work and utilize the remaining amount of the contract.

*Motion:* 

by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and execute Contract Maintenance Form #1 for the Engineering Agreement with GPD Group for General Engineering Services for an additional fifty-five (55) days from September 3, 2022 through October 28, 2022.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Aye

Commissioner Lennon Aye Commissioner Dvorak Aye

#### GEAUGA PUBLIC HEALTH - OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

Administrator Adam Litke introduced Environmental Health Director Dan Lark and Ashley Winters, Sanitarian. Mr. Lark presented the following information regarding the Operation and Maintenance Program.

# Ohio Law & Regulations:

• In 2015, new guidance was implemented requiring health departments to establish an operation and maintenance permitting program for sewage treatment systems. The purpose of the revision is to ensure that systems are being maintained properly, not causing a public health nuisance and to help educate homeowners

#### Ohio Administrative Code 3701-29-19

• "The Board of health shall develop a program for the administration of O & M management for STS and GWRS and system and owner education in compliance with division (A)(7) of section 3178.02 of the Revised Code and this chapter."

#### Ohio Administrative Code 3701-29-09(1)

• No person shall operate a STS or a type 2, 3 or 4 GWRS without an approved and valid operation permit from the Board of Health. The owner and / or a responsible management entity when applicable, shall comply with the terms and condition of the permit.

#### Importance:

- Different types of systems require specialized maintenance that may get neglected by homeowners.
- Neglecting maintenance of these systems can cause them to fail sooner, cause a public health nuisance, and possibly contaminate ground water
  - o Berkshire Estates
  - o Richey Road
- The goal is to ensure every homeowner has the resources and knowledge to properly maintain their septic system

#### Fees:

• This is an unfunded program mandated by the Ohio Department of Health. The fees collected will be used to pay for the anticipated costs of issuing permits, providing educational material, and the time to communicate with the community.

#### Geauga proposed fees:

• NPDES \$150.00 / year

• *Non-NPDES* \$100.00 − 5 years

#### Fees for surrounding counties:

• Lake

NPDES \$160 / year Non-NPDES \$100 5 years

Cuyahoga

NPDES \$205/ year Non-NPDES \$85/ year

Portage

NPDES \$100 for systems requiring yearly sampling Non-NPDES \$50 / year

#### Geauga Public Health O & M Program

- We are currently in the planning stages of our O & M Program
- 2023 focus will be on NPDES systems
  - These systems are legally required to have yearly sampling. Current Geauga compliance rate for 2022 is less than 10%
  - Failure to maintain these systems will have a direct impact on Geauga County water quality
- Homeowners will be required to pay the permit fee for their type of system, have their system inspected by a registered service provider and sampling as required by type of system.

#### Frequently Asked Questions

- Who will have to be apart of the O & M Program?
  - Every household in Geauga County that is not connected to sanitary sewer will be enrolled into the Geauga Public Health O & M Program
- Why do I have to get a permit?
  - o In 2015, the Ohio Department of Health updated rules concerning the operation and maintenance of household sewage treatment systems. All counties are required to have an O & M permitting program in place for all household sewage treatment systems
- When will I be required to have my septic inspected?
  - We expect to have al systems enrolled over the next 5-10 years
- Will you make me replace my system?
  - Homeowners will always have the option to repair their system if it is causing a
    public health nuisance. It is important to understand that in some cases, repairs
    will not be enough to remedy the issues so a replacement will be needed.
- Where will my money go?
  - This is an unfunded, mandatory program so the money will go towards operational costs. Fees will be reassessed on a yearly basis.

#### For Sale of Property Program

• This will still be an offered program on a voluntary basis.

# Common Myths

- My system is \_\_\_\_ years old and works fine
  - o Just like our cars, all septic systems are going to fail without proper maintenance
- I have a new system, I don't ever have to touch it
  - All systems need maintained: cleaning the effluent filter, rotating the in-use field, changing an elbow, having the tank pumped, etc.
- You just want me to put in a new system
  - We want to help educate homeowners on the proper maintenance so that their system doesn't fail after a few years. Proper maintenance will extend the life of your system.
- You just want to charge the taxpayers more money
  - This is a mandated and unfunded program by the state, the fees are used to cover operational costs.

Mr. Litke explained that they are still trying to get caught up on inspections. There are about 33,000 total systems in the county, and they feel there are some older systems that may not be in

the system. Mr. Litke stated that some systems have nothing on record for thirty years, more than likely the system is not working or at best, not properly. The primary focus of this program aside from getting maintenance on systems, but education of the homeowners to understand what they need to do for their particularly system. Mr. Dvorak inquired about upon transfer if they send out a letter to the homeowner that explains that they have this type of septic and these are things you will need to do. Mr. Morgan stated that we need to get past the idea of I flushed and it went away, it must be working.

Questions?

Please contact Dan Lark with any additional questions dlark@geaugacountyhealth.org

#### <u>COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – EXECUTIVE SESSION</u>

Motion: by Commissioner Spidalieri, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to move into

Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending and imminent litigation.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Spidalieri Aye

Commissioner Lennon Aye Commissioner Dvorak Aye

The Board moved into Executive Session at 10:24 a.m. The Board returned at 11:16 a.m. and no action was taken.

\*Commissioner Spidalieri left the meeting.

Commissioner Dvorak asked when the McFarland plant went down for about 48 hours, he wants to express the seriousness of any plant being down and what that approximate cost would be if it went down for 96 hours, do you have to pump it out. Mr. Morgan stated that they did have to haul sewage to the Chagrin Falls plant. Mr. Dvorak wanted to explain his yes vote and the seriousness of it, why did it happen and how do we mitigate it from happening it again. Mr. Morgan stated that the plant was never completely down, they just could not remotely control within the plant the valves, they were just manually being controlled.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Tom Jones from Auburn Township inquired about the windows on the north side of the building having steam between the panes of the glass and if they have any problems with them. Mr. Morgan noted that there are panes that they are looking at, but they do have a warranty.

Dan Demko from Burton Township started with a comment about the importance of the DARE Program, and commended the Sheriff's office for the work they do. Mr. Demko expressed that there is this fabulous new school and the congestion at the beginning and ending of the day and it is an issue, and they have had two accidents already. Mr. Demko stated that its an easy fix since the Commissioners own the property, but the Fair Board doesn't want to work with the school. Mr. Demko wants to encourage the Commissioners to work on a solution. Mr. Lennon stated that they need to explore the options with Kent State as that is who they made the deal with. Mr. Demko again mentioned the fairgrounds that already runs through the fairgrounds that could enclose the water and sewer loop system. There was a brief discussion about the Village not approving the surrounding property owner from developing the property and tying in. There was discussion about coming together and working on some kind of resolution. Clerk, Ms. Blair noted that the kids in the village have group pick up and drop off locations. Mr. Demko noted that one of the drop off locations is on 87, to which Ms. Blair added that there are several concerns with the drivers and drop off locations and safety with the kids.

Ms. Jones asked about the warranty on the product for the snowmelt at the entrances. Mr. Dvorak expressed that it is a hydraulic system with waterlines in the concrete to keep the sidewalks clear into the building. Mr. Lennon added that it will also work to cut down on the salt being tracked down into the building. Mr. Dvorak expressed that this has been being worked on with Donley's several months ago, they got the system in before the concrete was poured.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

- a) A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the weeks ending August 31, 2022 and September 7, 2022 as required by O.R.C. 955.12.
- b) The 2021-2022 Criminal Report filed by County Prosecutor James R. Flaiz as required by O.R.C. 309.16.
- 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 August, 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 August, 2022 as required by O.R.C. 325.07.

#### **OTHER**

The Board reviewed upcoming events.

<b>MEETINGS</b>
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- Tue., 9/20 Geauga Trumbull Solid Waste Board of Directors meeting, 1:00 p.m. Warren, District Office
- Wed., 9/21 Board of Revision, 9:00 a.m. Auditor's Office
- Fri., 9/23 Board of Revision, 9:00 a.m. Auditor's Office
- Mon., 9/26 Board of Revision, 9:00 a.m. Auditor's Office
- Tue., 9/27 Perry Nuclear Power Plant Evaluated Drill, DES
- Wed., 9/28 Board of Revision, 9:00 a.m. Auditor's Office
- Thu., 9/29 Budget Hearing, 8:45 a.m.
- Thu., 9/29 Investment Advisory Committee 9:00 a.m.
- Thu., 9/29 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:30 a.m.
- Thu., 9/29 Budget Hearings, 12:00 p.m. until 4:30 p.m.
- Fri., 9/30 Board of Revision, 9:00 a.m. Auditor's Office
- Tue., 10/4 The Commissioners will hold regular session at 9:30 a.m.
- Tue., 10/4 Budget Hearings, 12:00 p.m. until 4:30 p.m.
- Thu., 10/6 Budget Hearings, 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

# BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD

Motion:	by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to adjourn the meeting at 11:34 a.m.	
		Geauga County Board of Commissioners
		James W. Dvorak
		Timothy C. Lennon
		Ralph Spidalieri
Christine B	Plair, Commissioners' Clerk	

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