

AUGUST 17, 2023

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

JOHN R HAMERCHECK, COMMISSIONER JASON W. BOYD, ADMINISTRATOR
JOHN PLECNIK, COMMISSIONER LEGAL COUNSEL
RICHARD J. REGOVICH, COMMISSIONER MIKE MATAS, BUDGET DIRECTOR
JENNIFER BELL, CLERK NEWS MEDIA

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(Tape 2023-0817)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Hamercheck called the Meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. Thursday, August 17, 2023.

Commissioner Hamercheck requested a moment of silence for the victims of the Maui fires.

ROLL CALL: Upon roll being called Commissioners Regovich, Plecnik and Hamercheck present.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. The Board presented Dr. Kathleen Malec with a special certificate in recognition of her more than 23 years as a member of the Lakeland Board of Trustees. Commissioner Hamercheck read the certificate in its entirety and stated that Dr. Malec has a true servant’s heart. The Board thanked her for her service. Dr. Malec stated she was truly humbled for the recognition. She thanked the Board and Dr. Beverage.

ITEM NUMBER #1 WAS MOVED:

1.RESOLUTION IN CELEBRATION OF THE SUCCESS OF THE LAKE COUNTY FAIR(20230817\F01)(C-126)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Regovich. Commissioner Plecnik read the resolution in its entirety. Mr. Wade Crofoot was present on behalf of the Lake County Fair Board to receive the Special Resolution for this year’s very successful Fair. Mr. Crofoot thanked the Board for their continued support of the Lake County Fair and the County Engineers office for the hard work they put in on the fair’s grounds. Commissioner Regovich stated that not only did the Fair experience record breaking weather but a record-breaking livestock auction. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners Regovich, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

Commissioner Plecnik introduced Ms. Alivia Somrak and read the certificate in its entirety. The Board presented her with a certificate as a member of 4-H livestock program and for her successful 2023 4-H livestock auction. Alivia thanked Commissioner Plecnik for being the high bidder on her goat this year.

Ms. Lois Osborn of Painesville, spoke on the Mentor Public Schools banned book “The Bluest Eye”. Commissioner Plecnik thanked Ms. Osborn for starting the Red Raiders Garden.

Mr. Brian Massie of Painesville, commented on Ms. Osborn’s comment.

Mr. Chris Weiss of Leroy, addressed County Engineer, Mr. James Gills, regarding the status of several road repairs. Mr. Gills responded that plans are completed for the Williams Road project and they are currently negotiating with a contractor. He explained that they are working on the final plans for Paine Road and there are preliminary plans for Ford Road.

Mr. John Marra of Timberlake, shared his thoughts on Ford Road.

RESOLUTIONS:

2.RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$880,000.00 FOR GRACE COURT TRUNK SEWER REHAB, PHASE III PROJECT NO 462-S-2023, AND ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR SAME (BID OPENING: September 13, 2023)(20230817\U01)(UT-8)

On a motion by Commissioner Regovich, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners Regovich, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

3.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF RETAINAGE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$38,000.00 WITH UNITED EARTHWORKS, LLC FOR CELL C4 EXPANSION PHASE VI-PART D CELL PREPARATION PROJECT 421-L-2019 FOR THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES (20230817\U02)(UT-12)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Regovich, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners Regovich, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

4.RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT AUGUST 25, 2023, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$809,727.00(20230817\JFS01)(JFS-14)

On a motion by Commissioner Regovich, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners Regovich, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

5.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS WORKERS OF AMERICA, AFL-CIO LOCAL 4340 - COOKS AND CLERKS, EXPIRING MARCH 31, 2026(20230817\C01)(301c)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Regovich. Commissioner Plecnik thanked everyone involved in the negotiations for working together for a fair agreement. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners Regovich, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

6.RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,201,332.49 (20230817\BC01)(C-4)

On a motion by Commissioner Regovich, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners Regovich, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

7.RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,301,007.54 (20230817\BC02)(C-17)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Regovich, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners Regovich, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

8. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20230817\BC03)(C-111)

On a motion by Commissioner Regovich, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners Regovich, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

9.RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20230817\BC04)(C-111)

On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik, seconded by Commissioner Regovich, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows: "AYES": Commissioners Regovich, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES –Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger, stated that they received 3 bids for the Lakeshore Blvd. Waterline Project. He stated that DB Bentley appears to be the best and lowest bidder and is very close to the engineers estimate.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES- none.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – none.

FINANCE – none.

CLERK – Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, stated that the next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 24, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS: Commissioner Regovich stated that he had the opportunity to tour the Crime Lab this week and Commissioner Hamercheck stated that he attended the NOACA Regional Public Engagement Forum at Lakeland Community College. He explained that it was a very productive meeting and they were able to break out into smaller groups. He was pleased that the overall opinion was to continue to educate and encourage public engagement.

NEW BUSINESS: none.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. No one present wished to address the Board.

ADJOURN: On a motion by Commissioner Regovich seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the Board adjourned the meeting at 10: 45 a.m. with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners Regovich, Plecnik and Hamercheck "NAYS": None.

Minutes approved this thirty-first day of August, 2023.

BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JOHN R. HAMERCHECK, PRESIDENT

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