

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

MORRIS W. BEVERAGE III, COMMISSIONER	JASON W. BOYD, ADMINISTRATOR
JOHN PLECNIK, COMMISSIONER	LEGAL COUNSEL
RICHARD REGOVICH, COMMISSIONER	NEWS MEDIA
JENNIFER BELL, CLERK	

(Tape 2025-1202)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Plecnik called the Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, December 2, 2025.

Following the invocation, Commissioner Plecnik expressed the great loss Lake County has experienced at the passing of President and Commissioner Richard Regovich. He offered condolences to Lynn, their children and their grandchildren, and family and friends. He stated that we will remember the great contributions that he has made including voting for the first comprehensive plan in 65 years to overseeing the new Public Defender’s Office, the new annex for the Prosecutor, the new shooting and training center for the Sheriff’s Department and to his work on the budget to pay for the new Safety Center. Commissioner Regovich was an extraordinary public servant and there are no words to express the loss, but his legacy will live on in the great work that he has done for all of us. Commissioner Plecnik thanked everyone that took the time to stand in front of the Administration Center to pay our last respects to Commissioner Regovich. Commissioner Beverage stated that in the shadow of Thanksgiving, he is thankful to have had the opportunity to serve with Commissioner Regovich and to have gotten to know him and his family. He shared that this is a great loss for the county and that his family's prayers are with Lynn and the rest of his family.

County Administrator, Mr. Boyd, offered condolences to Lynn and the Regovich family. Commissioner Plecnik stated that for the remainder of the year and without objection, we will remember Commissioner Regovich and not appoint another President to the Board of Commissioners and as senior member of the Board, Commissioner Plecnik will run the remainder of the Commissioners meetings.

ROLL CALL: Upon roll being called, Commissioners: Beverage and Plecnik were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon a motion by Commissioner Beverage, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the minutes of the Regular Meetings of November 6, November 13, November 18 and November 20, 2025, were approved with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Beverage and Plecnik "NAYS": None.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Commissioner Plecnik asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. No one present wished to address the Board. Commissioner Plecnik opened the floor to anyone present who may want to say a few words about Commissioner Regovich.

RESOLUTIONS:

**1.RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FINAL APPROVAL AND ACCEPTING A THREE-YEAR MAINTENANCE BOND FOR BLACKMORE ESTATES SUBDIVISION IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP(20251202\E01)(SD-444)**

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

**2.RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 WITH NORTH BAY CONSTRUCTION, INC FOR THE GLK WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY DIGESTER CLEANING AND REHABILITATION PROJECT NO. 461-S-2022 INCREASING THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT BY \$452,291.10(20251202\U01)(UT-4)**

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

**4.RESOLUTION CERTIFYING UNPAID SEWER SUMS AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES TO THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR(20251202\U02)(UT-7)**

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

**5.RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT DECEMBER 12, 2025 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$97,706.42(20251202\JFS01)(JFS-14)**

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

**6.RESOLUTION APPOINTING NATALIE ANTOSH, MOLLY HASTINGS AND JOSEPH KELBACH TO THE CITY OF WILLOWICK TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL WITH TERMS EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2026(20251202\C01)(B-197)**

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

**7.RESOLUTION TO RENAME WELLESLEY BOULEVARD LOCATED IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP AND PAINESVILLE TOWNSHIP TO WELLESLEY BOULEVARD(20251202\C02)(C-79 and C-93)**

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

**8.RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,276,991.05(20251202\BC01)(C-4)**

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

**9.RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$268,346.69 (20251202\BC02)(C-17)**

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

**10. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20251202\BC03)(C-111)**

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

**11.RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20251202\BC04)(C-111)**

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

**12.RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2026 TEMPORARY APPROPRIATION MEASURE FOR THE GENERAL FUND (20251202\BC05)(C-111)**

On a motion by Commissioner Beverage, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik. Director of Administrative Services, Mr. Joel DiMare, stated that this resolution is for the 2026 temporary budget for the general fund. His staff has been working throughout the fall with various elected officials and departments across the county to have this resolution completed today. The permanent budget must be passed by the end of March 2026 but he anticipates having it before the Board by the end of January. He spoke of the great working relationship with the offices and the other department heads. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote follows : "AYES": Commissioners: Plecnik and Beverage "NAYS": None.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

UTILITIES - Commissioner Plecnik asked Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger, to provide an update on the odor issue in the Woodhill subdivision as well as an update on the rain event and the issues that Painesville Township experienced. Mr. Rothlisberger first addressed the odor issue and explained that they are implementing a pilot program to add some chemicals downstream to try to mitigate that situation. He stated that the proprietary chemicals are a special chemical that binds the sulfuric acid into the wastewater and they were delivered yesterday. They hope to add them by weeks end. This test will last 15 days at which time they will test as it goes downstream for effectiveness and will then come up with future recommendations following those results.

Mr. Rothlisberger reminded everyone that the rain event on October 23<sup>rd</sup> was significant with 8 to 12 inches of rain in just 10 hours. This type of event was overwhelming to not only the sanitary sewers but also the storm systems and that all their systems continue to operate with no mechanical failures. He reminded the Board that his department is performing a study to evaluate the area and they expect some results of that study sometime in January. Commissioner Plecnik relayed that the residents are looking for damage reimbursements and feels that a town hall meeting should be scheduled for those residents to voice their frustrations. He stated that he will be relaying some resident information to Mr. Rothlisberger to work on getting this set up for them.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – Director of Job and Family Services, Ms. Suzanne Casar, offered her condolences to the Regovich family. She shared how evident it was how much he cared about Lake County and the people of Lake County and his willingness to attend countless events to support the agency through the years. She most admired how frequently and how openly he spoke about the love he had for his family and hopes that love brings them comfort during these dark days ahead.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR — none.

CLERK – Commissioners Clerk, Ms. Jennifer Bell, stated that the next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 11, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. followed by a Workshop at 10:30 a.m. and there is an America 250 meeting this Thursday at 11:30 a.m. She also offered condolences to Commissioner Regovich's family.

LEGAL – none.

OLD BUSINESS: none.

NEW BUSINESS: none.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On a motion by Commissioner Beverage, seconded by Commissioner Plecnik, the Board convened an Executive Session at 10:18 a.m. to discuss Legal – Imminent Litigation with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Beverage and Plecnik "NAYS": None.

The Lake County Board of Commissioners adjourned to Executive Session at 10:20 a.m.

ADJOURN: On a motion by Commissioner Plecnik seconded by Commissioner Beverage, the Board adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m. with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Beverage and Plecnik "NAYS": None.

Minutes approved this eleventh day of December, 2025.

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