

**Week Beginning April 12, 2021**

**Meeting of April 14, 2021**

The Board of County Commissioners, Trumbull County, Ohio, met for a Regular Meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of April 2021, in the office of said Board, with the following members present:

Mauro Cantalamessa, Commissioner  
Niki Frenchko, Commissioner  
Frank S. Fuda, Commissioner

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**RE: MINUTES**

**1. MOTION:** Made by Mr. Fuda, seconded by Mr. Cantalamessa, to dispense with reading the minutes of the Workshop Session dated April 6, 2021 and the Regular Meeting dated April 7, 2021.

Yeas: Fuda, Cantalamessa, Frenchko  
Nays: None

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**RE: FILE APPLICATION – COURT OF COMMON PLEAS APPOINTMENT OF ATTY. MICHAEL ROSSI WITH LAW FIRM OF GUARNIERI AND SECREST, P.L.L. AS LEGAL COUNSEL FOR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND THE TRUMBULL COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH & RECOVERY BOARD REGARDING A FORMER EMPLOYEE**

**2. MOTION:** Made by Mr. Fuda, seconded by Ms. Frenchko, to authorize the Board of Commissioners to join the Trumbull County Prosecuting Attorney to file an application with the Court of Common Pleas for the appointment of ATTORNEY MICHAEL ROSSI and the law firm of GUARNIERI AND SECREST, P.L.L., 151 East Market Street, Warren, OH 44481 as legal counsel for the Board of Commissioners and the Trumbull County Mental Health and Recovery Board, in connection with any and all matters related to former employee Lana Hennings.

*NOTE:* Attorney Brendan Keating and Attorney Christina Shaynak-Diaz were previously approved by the Court of Common Pleas to represent the Trumbull County Mental Health and Recovery Board in regard to the former employee. Attorney Rossi will replace Attorney Shaynak-Diaz who is no longer be able to provide such representation.

Yeas: Fuda, Frenchko, Cantalamessa  
Nays: None

Application recorded on Journal Page(s) \_\_\_\_\_.)

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**RE: RECEIVE/FILE MONTHLY ACTIVITIES REPORT DOG KENNEL-MARCH 2021**

**3. MOTION:** Made by Mr. Fuda, seconded by Ms. Frenchko, to receive and place on file the Monthly Activities Report for the TRUMBULL COUNTY DOG KENNEL for the month of MARCH 2021; as submitted by Michelle Goss, Chief Executive Dog Warden.

*NOTE:* Monthly Report shall be recorded on the Journal for record purposes.

Yeas: Fuda, Frenchko, Cantalamessa  
Nays: None

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RE: CLOSE ROADS-COUNTY ENGINEER

4. MOTION: Made by Mr. Fuda, seconded by Ms. Frenchko, to grant permission to the County Engineer to Close the Roads listed.

- **ENSIGN ROAD (C.H. 225C) located in Farmington Township;** closing location between Painesville Warren State Road (C.H. 206) and Girdle Road for culvert replacement.

**Closing Dates: Monday, April 12, 2021 through Friday, April 16, 2021**

**RECOMMENDED DETOUR:** South on Painesville Warren State Road (C.H. 206); North on Girdle Road (C.H. 223)

- **STATE STREET (C.H. 277D) located in Kinsman Township;** closing location at Webber Cole Road for culvert replacement.

**Closing Dates: Monday, April 12, 2021 through Wednesday, April 14, 2021**

**RECOMMENDED DETOUR:** South on State Street (C.H. 277); East on State Route 87; North on State Route 7; West on Stanhope McCormick Road (C.H. 278)

Yeas: Fuda, Frenchko, Cantalamessa

Nays: None

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RE: RIGHT -OF WAY PERMITS-COUNTY ENGINEER

5. MOTION: Made by Mr. Fuda, seconded by Ms. Frenchko, to concur with the Trumbull County Engineer to grant the Right-of-Way Permits requested by the individuals listed. The necessary permit fee has been submitted and approval is subject to the conditions listed on the permit.

- **NELSON SALWAY, 7298 Ridge Road, Cortland, OH 44410,** to work in the right-of-way of Ridge Road (C.H. 159 C), in order to install 120 feet of 12 HDPE conduit, and a concrete catch basin to the north of the north driveway in the right-of-way of Ridge Rd. (C.H. 159 C). This will be located approximately 2,320 feet south of Irishtown Southworth Rd. (T.H. 246) in Johnston Township.

- **NELSON SALWAY, 7314 Ridge Rd., Cortland, Ohio 44410,** to work in the right-of-way of Ridge Road (C.H. 159 C), to install 140 feet of 12 HDPE conduit. This will be located approximately 2,120 feet south of Irishtown Southworth Rd. (T.H. 246) in Johnston Township.

- **JIM VERINC, 963 Kinsman Nickerson Rd., Kinsman, Ohio 44428,** to work in the right-of-way of Kinsman Nickerson Rd. (C.H. 276 C), in order to install approximately 240 feet of 15 inch HDPE conduit and a concrete catch basin on the east side of the driveway. This will be located approximately 900 feet east of Orangeville Kinsman Rd. (C.H. 255) in Kinsman Township.

Yeas: Fuda, Frenchko, Cantalamessa

Nays: None

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**RE: COUNTY ENGINEER TO PARTICIPATE IN COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM THROUGH OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR SODIUM CHLORIDE (ROCK SALT) FOR THE 2021-2022 WINTER SEASON**

6. **MOTION:** Made by Mr. Fuda, seconded by Ms. Frenchko, pursuant to Section 5513.01 (B) of the Ohio Revised Code., to authorize the Trumbull County Engineer to purchase SODIUM CHLORIDE (Rock Salt) through the Ohio Department of Transportation for the 2021-2022 Winter Season; AND to authorize Mauro Cantalamessa, President of the Board of Trumbull County Commissioners, to execute the "Participation Agreement" with the State of Ohio Department of Transportation, Office of Contracts, Purchasing Services, authorizing the participation of Trumbull County in this Contract (Contract 018-22) to purchase Sodium Chloride (Rock Salt), and agreeing to be bound by the invitation, terms, conditions--cost to be levied against the County Engineer's Fund No. 002-030-1700-1700-1-505202; this action per the recommendation of the Trumbull County Engineer and is subject to review and approval of the Prosecutor's Office.

Yeas: Fuda, Frenchko, Cantalamessa

Nays: None

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**RE: PROCLAIM APRIL 11, 2021 THROUGH APRIL 17, 2021 AS NATIONAL 911 TELECOMMUNICATOR APPRECIATION WEEK IN TRUMBULL COUNTY, OHIO**

7. **MOTION:** Made by Mr. Fuda, seconded by Ms. Frenchko, to adopt a Resolution proclaiming April 11, 2021 through April 17, 2021 as "NATIONAL 911 TELECOMMUNICATOR APPRECIATION WEEK" in Trumbull County, Ohio in conjunction with the Association of Public Safety Communications Officers, the National Emergency Number Association, and the Congress of the United States. The Board of Trumbull County Commissioners wishes to honor and thank *ALL TELECOMMUNICATORS* of Trumbull County who perform a critical and crucial job during emergency situations to protect and preserve the lives and property of Trumbull County residents.

***THANK YOU FOR A JOB WELL DONE!***

*Mr. Fuda thanked everyone at the 911 Center for during a wonderful Job especially during the COVID crisis. Discussion was made by the Commissioners and Patty Goldner regarding the short staff at the 911 Center. Patty said they are in the interview process for three individuals. However, they will still be under staffed—they need 35 to have a complete staff. Patty also thanked the telecommunicators who were present at the meeting and let them know how much they are appreciated.*

Yeas: Fuda, Frenchko, Cantalamessa

Nays: None

Resolution recorded on Journal Page(s)\_\_\_\_\_.)

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**RE: APPROVE NOTICE OF AMENDED PUBLIC HEARING #1 FOR THE PY2019 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) ALLOCATION & NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROGRAM IN BROOKFIELD TWP & EXECUTE ALL RELATED DOCUMENTS**

**8. MOTION:** Made by Mr. Fuda, seconded by Ms. Frenchko, to approve the Notice of Amended Public Hearing #1 for the PY2019 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) ALLOCATION & NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROGRAM, Brookfield Township, Trumbull County, Ohio. Trumbull County intends to request an amendment for the PY2019 CDBG Allocation & Neighborhood Revitalization Program project in the Masury SE Target Area of Brookfield Township in Trumbull County, Ohio. The purpose of the proposed amendment is to expend all of the funds awarded to Trumbull County within the target area. AMENDMENT is necessary to expend all of the funds awarded to Trumbull County within the target area. Funds are being redistributed among the existing activities as a result of lower than estimated bid results received for much of the work and the requirement set by the State that if an activity's outcomes or budgets change by more than \$5,000 or 10% whichever is greater an amendment to the program is necessary; AND to authorize the Trumbull County Planning Commission to prepare and submit the Amendment and any related documents; AND to authorize Mauro Cantalamessa, President of the Board of Trumbull County Commissioners, to sign and execute any and all documents related to the amendment including administration, execution and implementation of the funds through the PY2019 CDBG Community Development Allocation & Neighborhood Revitalization Grant Program; this action per the recommendation of the Trumbull County Planning Commission.

*NOTE: A public hearing date has been set for Wednesday, April 28, 2021 at 6:30 PM via Zoom.*

Yeas: Fuda, Frenchko, Cantalamessa

Nays: None

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**RE: DESIGNATE TRUMBULL COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION AS COUNTY OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR THE TERM OF 01/01/21-12/31/21**

**9. MOTION:** Made by Mr. Fuda, seconded by Ms. Frenchko, to designate the TRUMBULL COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION as the COUNTY OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 307.07(A)(1). The Office of Economic Development shall carry out all duties as the Director of Economic Development as defined in Ohio Revised Code Section 307.07(B); for the term commencing January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021; this action per the recommendation of the Trumbull County Planning Commission and is subject to review and approval of the Prosecutor's Office.

Yeas: Fuda, Frenchko, Cantalamessa

Nays: None

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**RE: EMPLOYMENT PROMOTION-  
MR. ANTHONY TANERI FROM POSITION OF  
MAINTENANCE REPAIR WORKER 1 TO THE POSITION  
OF AFTERNOON WORK SUPERVISOR –MAINT. DEPT.**

**10. MOTION:** Made by Mr. Fuda, seconded by Ms. Frenchko, to approve the personnel action for employment promotion of MR. ANTHONY TANERI from the position of Maintenance Repair Worker I, Pay Grade 8 (10 Years) to the position of AFTERNOON WORK SUPERVISOR, Pay Grade 9 (10 Years) with the TRUMBULL COUNTY MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT, effective April 19, 2021—*pursuant to the authorized job posting*; this action per the recommendation of the Trumbull County Human Resources Department.

Yeas: Fuda, Frenchko, Cantalamessa  
Nays: None

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**RE: APPROVE APPLICATION FOR SURETY BOND FOR  
FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR UNDERGROUND  
STORAGE TANKS AS REQUIRED BY CORSA FOR  
TERM COMMENCING 05/01/2021-04/30/2024**

**11. MOTION:** Made by Mr. Fuda, seconded by Ms. Frenchko, to approve the Application for Surety Bond for Financial Responsibility for UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS, as required by the County Risk Sharing Authority (CORSA), 209 East State Street, Columbus, OH 43215-4309. The Surety Bond is for the term commencing May 1, 2021 and ending April 30, 2024. There is no cost required for the Bond. Trumbull County's deductible will be \$55,000.00 for eight (8) Underground Storage Tanks; this action per the recommendation of the Trumbull County Human Resources Department and is subject to review and approval of the Prosecutor's Office.

**LOCATION OF TANKS**

<b>FACILITY NAME/ADDRESS</b>	<b>NUMBER OF TANKS</b>
<b>VEHICLE MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT</b> 605 Panther Drive Warren, OH 44483	<b>ONE (1)</b>
<b>COUNTY ENGINEER</b> 650 North River Road Warren, OH 44483	<b>THREE (3)</b>
<b>SANITARY ENGINEER BROOKFIELD WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY</b> 921 Standard Avenue Masury, OH 44438	<b>ONE (1)</b>
<b>FAIRHAVEN SCHOOL</b> 420 Lincoln Way Niles, OH 44446	<b>THREE (3)</b>

Yeas: Fuda, Frenchko, Cantalamessa  
Nays: None

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**RE: EXECUTE CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, STATE OF OHIO AND CSX TRANSPORTATION, INC. FOR THE WESTERN RESERVE GREENWAY (WRGW) BIKE TRAIL PHASE IV**

**12. MOTION:** Made by Mr. Fuda, seconded by Ms. Frenchko, to authorize Mauro Cantalamessa, President of the Board of Trumbull County Commissioners, to sign and execute the Construction Agreement by and between the STATE OF OHIO, acting by and through the Director of Transportation of the State of Ohio, and CSX TRANSPORTATION, INC. and the TRUMBULL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS for the WESTERN RESERVE GREENWAY (WRGW) BIKE TRAIL, Phase IV, PID 99804, located in Howland and Weathersfield Townships and the Cities of Warren and Niles, Ohio. Funding for this agreement will be paid by the Eastgate Regional Council of Governments' programmed share (Federal Congestion Mitigation Air Quality or CMAQ Funds) and State Grant Monies; this action per the recommendation of Zachary Svette, Program Administrator for the WRGW Phase IV and Executive Director of the Trumbull County Metropolitan Park District and reviewed and approved by outside legal counsel for the project, Roth, Blair, Roberts, Strasfeld & Lodge.

***SPECIAL NOTE:** On June 5, 2013, duly recorded in Journal Volume 139, Page(s) 17537-17538, the Board of Commissioners authorized approval to apply for Federal Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality (CMAQ) Funds Programmed by the Eastgate Council of Governments to construct the final phase (Trumbull County Phase IV) of the Western Reserve Greenway Bike Trail. On April 10, 2014, duly recorded in Journal Volume 141, Page(s) 18194-18195, the Commissioners approved amending the original Journal Action to revise the required funds for the total cost and local share.*

Yeas: Fuda, Frenchko, Cantalamessa

Nays: None

Agreement recorded on Journal Page(s) \_\_\_\_\_.)

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**RE: APPROVE BILLS**

**13. MOTION:** Made by Mr. Fuda, seconded by Ms. Frenchko, to approve the bills, as per the individual departmental purchase orders/invoices forwarded to the Trumbull County Auditor for payment, providing all procedures of State law have been followed.

Yeas: Fuda, Frenchko, Cantalamessa

Nays: None

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**RE: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS**

**14. MOTION:** Made by Mr. Fuda, seconded by Ms. Frenchko, to approve additional appropriations, as submitted to the Trumbull County Auditor's Office between the dates of Apr.5, 2021 through April 9, 2021. *Complete list of additional appropriations shall be recorded onto the Journal for record purposes.*

**❖ Departments/Offices requesting additional appropriations:**

<b>Planning Commission</b>	<b>\$150,000.00</b>	<b>Fund 258</b>
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Yeas: Fuda, Frenchko, Cantalamessa

Nays: None

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RE: AMENDED CERTIFICATE NO. 5-2021  
COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION

15. MOTION: Made by Mr. Fuda, seconded by Ms. Frenchko, to receive the Amended Certificate of the County Budget Commission No. 5-2021, for the fiscal year beginning Jan. 1, 2021, dated April 14, 2021, increasing estimated resources in the funds listed:

- Fund 258 – Home Sewage Treatment System (HSTS)

Yeas: Fuda, Frenchko, Cantalamessa  
Nays: None

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RE: TRANSFER APPROPRIATIONS

16. MOTION: Made by Mr. Fuda, seconded by Ms. Frenchko, to transfer appropriations, as submitted to the Trumbull County Auditor’s Office between the dates of April 5, 2021 through April 9, 2021. Complete list of appropriation transfers shall be recorded onto the Journal for record purposes.

❖ Departments/Offices requesting to transfer appropriations:

Community Mental Health	\$ 15,000.00	Fund 009
Highway Engineer	\$400,000.00	Fund 002
Sheriff	\$ 343.74	Fund 001
	\$ 50.00	Fund 019
Metropolitan Park District	\$114,627.00	Fund 983
Sanitary Engineers	\$ 88.35	Fund 483

Yeas: Fuda, Frenchko, Cantalamessa  
Nays: None

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Comments:

*Mr. Phil Pegg said that at the Planning Commission meeting Julie Green said they need to hire additional employees. He said it was a virtual meeting and difficult to hear Commissioner Frenchko’s response. He said that Mr. Fuda voted yes, Mr. Cantalamessa voted no but he did not hear Commissioner Frenchko’s response. Commissioner Frenchko said that she also voted no.*

*Mr. Fuda asked Commissioner Cantalamessa, President of the Board, if they could conduct a moment of silence for the passing of Gary Newbrough’s father. Commissioner Cantalamessa called for a moment of silence in honor of Mr. Newbrough’s father. He said that Gary is a wonderful county employee.*

*(Julie Green said that she spoke with Senator Sandra O’Brien and sent her an email with a list of the priority projects for Trumbull County. Mrs. Green said that she is waiting for Senator O’Brien to provide feedback, but that she did tell her that she can only have one (1) priority project and needs it by this Friday. Discussion was made by the Commissioners and Mrs. Green regarding the list of projects for the Planning Commission and Sanitary Engineers Department. It is very difficult to select just one (1) top priority project, but the Commissioners said they will work on providing that project by Friday.*

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*(Comments cont'd)*

*Julie Green said that she needs to advocate for the Western Reserve Greenway Bike Trail which has been ongoing for over 30 years. She said that she diligently worked on Phases 1 through 3. She said the trail is a made a major economic impact for the County. She said the project has cost over 8.4 million dollars with only 3% provided by the general fund. Discussion was made by the Commissioners and Mrs. Green regarding moving forward with the project and funding for it. Commissioner Frenchko asked Mrs. Green if she could possibly speak with Senator O'Brien to see if there could be any possible funding that could associated with maintenance of the bike trail once it is complete—so that a levy would not need to be put on to cover costs of maintenance. Mrs. Green said that maintenance is a current obligation of the Board. Mr. Fuda said that he spoke with the Sheriff regarding using volunteers to help with the maintenance.*

*Richard Jackson commented about the editorial in the Tribune regarding the Sick & Conversion Plan. He said the article is not correct.*

*Renee Fox said that she did not read the editorial but that the article she wrote does have the correct information regarding historical changes during the past years with the amount of time that can be cashed out.*

*Commissioner Cantalamessa spoke about the importance of decreasing the amount of time that can be cashed out. He said that the County can't incur this expense.*

*Mr. Fuda said that he wanted to clarify his comments of the past week. He said that he neglected to include two staff members from the Commissioners' Office who also did a good job during the pandemic—Ms. Lisa Denunzio-Blair and Mrs. Christine Glenn. He said that the office staff always work together to get the job done. He mentioned how the office was short staffed on Thursday and Ms. Blair and Ms. Shara Taylor were the only ones present and picked up the slack for the entire office.*

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**RE: ADJOURN**

**MOTION:** Made by, Mr. Fuda, seconded by Mr. Cantalamessa, to adjourn the Regular Meeting of April 14, 2021, and to meet again in Regular Session on April 21, 2021.

Yeas: Fuda, Cantalamessa, Frenchko  
Nays: None

WE CERTIFY THAT EACH AND ALL OF THE FOREGOING TO BE CORRECT.

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MAURO CANTALAMESSA, PRESIDENT

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FRANK S. FUDA, COMMISSIONER

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NIKI FRENCHKO, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

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PAULETTE A. GODFREY, CLERK