

**Lake Development Authority (LDA)
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 25, 2023**

Call to Order: Chairman, Art Lindrose, called to order the regularly scheduled meeting held at the Lake Erie Conference Room in the Lake County Administration Building located at 105 Main Street, Suite A505, Painesville, OH 44077 at 3:05pm with the pledge of allegiance and roll call. Board members in attendance included Nate Hicks, John Rampe (Secretary), Wally Siegel, John Uhran (Vice-chair) and Ronald Wassum. Kevin Freese and Jim Struna attended by phone. Bill Martin was absent.

Others in attendance: David Anderson, Patty Fulop, Myranda Keister, Brandon Dines and Commissioner Regovich.

Approval of Minutes: The members of the board were provided with electronic copies of the minutes from the December 14, 2022 meeting in advance. A motion was made by Mr. Wassum and seconded by Mr. Siegel to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was approved with an 8-0 vote.

Reports and Communications of Officers and Committees:

Chairman's Report – Mr. Lindrose had no report this month.

Executive Director's Report – Mr. Anderson had no report this month.

Public Comments: Mr. Regovich commented that he has been a fan of this board; as commissioner, he hopes to expand what we do. His goal is to get the schools to manufacture workers here in Lake County, so that businesses want to come here because we can provide workers, power, water, sewer and all they need. He will be looking for us to make that a county plan. Where is the available land, where to expand appropriately so we are not wasting money? As workforce population ages, we need to get more population in. Lakefront access will be vitally important for the quality of life here. This organization has blossomed under great leadership, has people that are motivated and times are right to put money into things that make money. Mr. Lindrose welcomed his comments we look forward to seeing him at more meetings.

Economic Development:

Public Finance & Chief Financial Officer – Mr. Mohorcic, Director of Public Finance and CFO, was absent and Mr. Anderson reported that we had been in conversation with Tartan Marine on 600 Bank Street. We were very close last year to an agreement, but did not hear back, so December 14, we called to talk to the gentleman we were negotiating with and found out that he was no longer there. Mr. Anderson contacted Seattle Marine who owns Tartan and the CEO was not familiar, but he would review. Mr. Anderson thanked them for keeping Tartan in the county and waited to hear. Last week they spoke to a realtor and were told they could sell the building as storage, but not create jobs. Shortly thereafter, Seattle Marine called back and said they were ready to move forward. Mr. Dines added that they have taken our document and accepted it.

Mr. Anderson expected that when Patrick returned, he would find the signed contract in his email.

Lake County Executive Airport – Mrs. Fulop, Airport Manager, reported that we did meet with the FAA last week. Funding will be available for the projects we designed in 2022. The FAA did not concur with our request to move the parallel taxiway for runway 5/23 ahead of the rehabilitation of runway 10/28. She will review again with FAA once our current grant paperwork is signed and grant funds ready to go for 2023. On the agenda today, are four resolutions. Two authorize the executive director to solicit RFP's for our ODOT projects and for our FAA AIP Projects, Resolutions 2023-01 is for ODOT projects and Resolution 2023-02 is for FAA projects. We also have Resolution 2023-05 to allow the executive director to enter into a contract with General Aviation Consultants for preliminary Architectural / Engineering agreement for the terminal building and resolution 2023-06 will approve the ACIP. A release of the soccer field property has been submitted to FAA; we are negotiating their lease as well as looking to make some possible adjustments to the Sports Park's lease. Our committee choose General Aviation Consultants as the result of the RFQ for the PAPI light project and expect a resolution on the agenda in February.

Coastal Development – Miss Keister, Director of Planning and Development, advised the board of some exciting updates. She began with the Fairport Harbor Marina project and reported that ODNR had previously committed \$2 million and is potentially able to increase their support of the project up to \$5 million for the break wall. ODNR has designated the project at Fairport to be their number one priority this year. Miss Keister also received positive feedback on the Boating Infrastructure Grant for \$1.5 million. Awards are expected in June of 2023. There are elements that Fish & Wildlife would like to have incorporated such as a fish cleaning station, trailer parking, their vessel slip and the breakwater. Miss Keister will be resubmitting a \$5 million ask for the RAISE'23 grant cycle, which is due February 28. Resolution 2023-04 today is for an RFP to go out January 30, 2023 for the Mentor Harbor Yachting Club project to determine a preliminary design and cost. Mr. Rampe asked what the shortfall looked like once we attach these grants. The last estimate was \$13-14 million, so there is still a gap. The commissioners have internally concurred with the Transportation Improvement District; assigning a board for the TID is in process and must be ready by March 1 for a March 28 submission deadline. LDA has not done a report to the community since before the beginning of COVID. We are drafting that now and expect to have it in digital form in March and a PDF on our website for the public.

Other Economic Development Business: None

New Business: Executive Session

- a. Chairman Lindrose entertained a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 121.22 (G) (3) relating to a conference with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action. A motion was made by Mr. Siegel and seconded by Mr. Struna to enter into executive session at 3:38pm. Chairman Lindrose requested a roll call vote and the result was Mr. Freese – Aye, Mr. Hicks – Aye, Mr.

Lindrose – Aye, Mr. Rampe – Aye, Mr. Siegel – Aye, Mr. Struna – Aye, Mr. Uhran – Aye and Mr. Wassum – Aye. The motion passed with an 8-0 vote. Mr. Freese and Mr. Struna left the meeting at that point.

Attorney, Brandon Dynes, discussed with the board the finalization of the pending action with J. Severino Construction, Inc. and the court action taken against the Kennedy Group.

- b. A motion was made by Mr. Siegel and seconded by Mr. Wassum to return to the public meeting at 3:54 pm. Chairman Lindrose requested a roll call vote and the result was Mr. Hicks – Aye, Mr. Lindrose – Aye, Mr. Rampe – Aye, Mr. Siegel – Aye, Mr. Uhran – Aye and Mr. Wassum – Aye. The motion passed with a 6-0 vote. The board returned to the public meeting. Mr. Freese and Mr. Struna re-joined the meeting at 3:55pm.

Resolutions and Motions:

- a. 2023-01: Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Lake Development Authority Authorizing the Executive Director to Solicit Requests for Proposals in Connection with Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), Office of Aviation Grant 23-12 Obstruction Removal (Trees) Runway 23 Approach at the Lake County Executive Airport. A motion was made by Mr. Siegel and seconded by Mr. Struna to approve resolution 2023-01 as presented. The motion was approved with an 8-0 vote.
- b. 2023-02: Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Lake Development Authority Authorizing the Executive Director to Solicit Requests for Proposals from Contractors for Airport Projects in Connection with the Federal Aviation Administration Fiscal Year 2023 Airport Improvements Program Grants. A motion was made by Mr. Siegel and seconded by Mr. Struna to approve resolution 2023-02 as presented. The motion was approved with an 8-0 vote.
- c. 2023-03: Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Lake Development Authority Authorizing a Change Order and Amendment to Agreements with a Construction Engineering Services Contract with Quality Control Inspection, Inc. for the LAK-STANTON PARK PID 81829 Project in Madison Township, OH. A motion was made by Mr. Siegel and seconded by Mr. Struna to approve resolution 2023-03 as presented. The motion was approved with an 8-0 vote.
- d. 2023-04: Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Lake Development Authority Authorizing the Executive Director to Solicit Requests for Proposals from Consulting Firms for the Mentor Harbor Channel Wall Project. A motion was made by Mr. Siegel and seconded by Mr. Struna to approve resolution 2023-04 as presented. The motion was approved with an 8-0 vote.

- e. 2023-05: Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Lake Development Authority Appropriating Funds and Authorizing the Executive Director to Execute and Deliver a Contract to General Aviation Consultants, LTD for Preliminary Engineering Services for the Terminal Building Project at the Lake County Executive Airport. A motion was made by Mr. Siegel and seconded by Mr. Struna to approve resolution 2023-05 as presented. The motion was approved with an 8-0 vote.

- f. 2023-06: Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Lake Development Authority Approving and Authorizing the Executive Director to Submit to Both the Federal Aviation Administration and the Ohio Department of Transportation, Office of Aviation a 10-Year Airport Capital Improvement Program for 2023-2033. A motion was made by Mr. Siegel and seconded by Mr. Struna to approve resolution 2023-06 as presented. The motion was approved with an 8-0 vote.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Mr. Siegel and seconded by Mr. Struna to adjourn the public meeting at 3:59pm. The meeting was adjourned by consensus.

Respectfully submitted by:
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