

**Commissioners' Journal**  
**June 4, 2024**

*The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on June 4, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Offices located at 12611 Ravenwood Drive, in 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, Ralph Spidalieri opened the meeting at 9:38 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.*

*\*Commissioner Dvorak was absent from today's meeting.*

**FINANCIALS**

*County Administrator Gerard Morgan reported on financials from May 30, 2024 Resolution #24-121 that included an Appropriations transfer from the Commissioners miscellaneous account to the Public Defender to pay unemployment claim, Supplemental appropriation from the Commissioners for the Engineer's office general fund payroll accounts for increased tax map staff and services as requested during their 2025 budget hearing, Cash transfer from the Sheriff to the unemployment rotary fund, Purchase order from the Commissioners to the Geauga County Airport Authority for a CORSA insurance claim check sent to the Commissioners for damage incurred to airport hangar doors that was deposited into the General Fund, Travel request for the Common Pleas Court, a Then and Now for the Coroner's Office to the Cuyahoga County Coroner's Office for autopsies from 2022 that had been performed but were not previously encumbered, a payment from the Community Development Block Grant to A.J. Goulder Electric, Incorporated for the DDC Clinic Generator Replacement in the amount of \$61,000.00, a payment for the Engineer's Office to Ronyak Paving, Incorporated for payment #1 of the asphalt resurfacing of Claridon Troy Road (Sections D-E) in the amount of \$331,362.44, a payment for Maintenance to dba Clerac LLC (Enterprise Car Sales) for the purchase of a 2022 Ford Transit Van in the amount of \$29,635.00 and a Revenue Certification from the Commissioners' Office in the Healthy Aging Grant fund for additional money received from the State; as approved by the County Administrator pursuant to Resolution #24-011 approved January 8, 2024 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 2024, as authorized by O.R.C. 305.30.*

**COMMISSIONERS OFFICE - COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

*County Administrator Gerard Morgan reported on the items approved by the County Administrator on June 3, 2024 for Maintenance that included to accept the resignation of Shaun Strand, Senior Trades Mechanic (#1905) to be effective June 21, 2024 and for the Department on Aging to Approve hiring Shaun Strand to the position of Full-time Chore and Home Safety Program Coordinator (#1032) to be effective June 24, 2024 at the rate of \$22.56 per hour with a one-year probationary period. This offer of employment is contingent upon the successful completion of the required pre-employment conditions; as authorized by Resolution #24-011 under the direction and supervision of the County Commissioners that was approved January 8, 2024 pursuant to O.R.C. 305.30.*

**APPROVE MINUTES**

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of April 16, 2024.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Absent*</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of April 23, 2024.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Absent</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>

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APPROVE FINANCIALS

*Mr. Gorton explained the financials for today as including Appropriations transfers to the Sheriff for miscellaneous refunds, reimbursements and web checks that were deposited into the General Fund, Supplemental appropriation from the Commissioners to the Public Defender's office General Fund payroll accounts to achieve parity with the Prosecutor's Office as well as being able to promote someone from Part-time to Full-time including Healthcare benefits, Cash transfer from the General Fund to the Sheriff for the local match on VAWA grant #2020 and #2023-WF-VA2-8214 (\$689.96 drop from 2023), Formal contract PO from the Commissioners to the Title Professionals Group for the purchase of future property, Purchase Order from Water Resources to Junction Auto Sales Incorporated for the purchase of a replacement 2024 GMC 2500 HD 4WD Double Cab pickup truck operator vehicle (the 2014 GMC Sierra 1500 its replacing will be auctioned on GovDeals), a payment for Aging to ALDI, Incorporated for the purchase of 250 \$200 gift cards for low income Geauga County Seniors to use to buy food, which are being paid from by the State of Ohio Healthy Aging Grant in the amount of \$50,000.00 and a payment for the Maintenance Office to the US Postal Service (Quadiant – POC) for additional postage for the mailing machine in the amount of \$50,000.00.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute Resolution #24-122 itemizing the financials for the meeting of June 4, 2024.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Absent</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – UNIT PRICE CONTRACT – TRAX CONSTRUCTION COMPANY – REPLACEMENT OF THWING ROAD BRIDGE

*Deputy Engineer Jacob Scotese asked the Board to execute the Unit Price Contract with TRAX Construction Company for the replacement of the Thwing Road bridge.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Unit Price Contract with TRAX Construction Company for the Replacement of the Thwing Road Bridge (Structure # BR-0027-B-02.660-2024) in Chardon and Munson Townships in the amount of \$305,549.00.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Absent</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>

PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE / VICTIM WITNESS – VOCA – SVAA GRANT 2024-2025 APPLICATION

*Victim Witness Advocate Cindi Haycox Wellman asked the Board to approve submitting her VOCA and SVAA grant application for 2024-2025. Ms. Haycox Wellman mentioned that after she submitted her budget she found out that they cut her budget another \$1,500.00 and that Mr. Flaiz would be requesting the difference from the Board. Commissioner Lennon expressed that the Board would cover the \$1500.00 and asked if a motion was needed today. It was discussed that this was the grant application, and any further approvals could be done when the grant agreement comes in and through financials.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Victim of Crime Act (VOCA) and State Victim Advocacy Act (SVAA) 2024-2025 Grant Application (#135757814) in the amount of \$49,454.10. As part of this grant \$28,441.10 is being requested from federal VOCA funds with a local match from the County General Fund of \$16,552.00 and \$4,461.00 from SVAA with no local match. This grant is for the period October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Absent</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>

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COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – AGREEMENT – BYRON D. MYERS, ARCHITECT, LLC

Program Coordinator Elaine Malkamaki asked the Board to execute the agreement with Byron D. Myers, Architect to complete the bid specifications, drawings for the Chagrin Falls Park Community Center and Maple Leaf Community Residences CDBG projects.

*Motion:* by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Agreement with Byron D. Myers, Architect LLC to complete the Bid Specifications and Drawings along with Cost Estimates with Federal Prevailing Wage Rates for the Maple Leaf Community Residences and Chagrin Falls Park Community Center PY 2023 CDBG Grant Projects effective June 4, 2024 through July 31, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$16,000.00.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	Commissioner Lennon	Aye
	Commissioner Dvorak	Absent
	Commissioner Spidalieri	Aye

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING JUNE 2024 AS ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH

Director Craig Swenson asked the Board to approve a resolution recognizing June 2024 as Elder Abuse Awareness month. Mr. Swenson explained that Job and Family Services is often known for children services, however in this community Elder Abuse is also something that needs to be aware of. In 2023 they investigated 140 separate reports of elder maltreatment, noting that half of them is self-neglect. Commissioner Lennon inquired about Financial Abuse with caregivers, and if the right documents aren't in place. Gina Schultz explained that they work closely with the Prosecutor's Office and law enforcement. Mr. Swenson stated that they have expanded the mandated referral for banks and institutions for reporting. Mr. Lennon asked about the number of exploitations there were out of the 140 from last year, to which Ms. Schultz explained she didn't have the exact numbers broken down with her, but could find out and provide it to them. Mr. Swenson stated that the elderly paid their due and we need to have their backs. They are holding an event on June 18<sup>th</sup> at noon and they are bringing in the family on a tough case to talk about the things they have gone through to bring awareness for others.

*Motion:* by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute Resolution #24-123 Recognizing June 2024 as Elder Abuse Awareness Month.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

*Resolution:* #24-123  
*Date:* June 4, 2024

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING JUNE 2024 AS ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH**

WHEREAS, We know that our seniors (age 60 and older) have helped contribute greatly to our Geauga County community and to the development of our current and future generations;

WHEREAS, As a community Geauga County values the importance of protecting and supporting our seniors and ensuring that they live in a safe and secure environment without fear of abuse, neglect, and/or exploitation; and

WHEREAS, Geauga County has a large senior population that has growing needs, but the rising incidence of elder maltreatment has generally remained hidden from the public view; and

WHEREAS, While as a community we are blessed to have many wonderful, nurturing families that take care of our elders, we must recognize that Geauga County is not immune from the reality that some elders in our county endure abuse, neglect, and/or exploitation; and

WHEREAS, In the United States an estimated 1 in 10 Americans have suffered some form of elder maltreatment. In 2023, the Geauga County Adult Protective Services Team investigated one hundred and forty (140) separate reports of elder maltreatment in the county.

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*WHEREAS, As a caring community we must not only respond to and stop the elder maltreatment where it exists, but we must also be diligent in our efforts to ensure that our community is aware of its role in recognizing and preventing such maltreatment going forward.*

*THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Geauga County Board of County Commissioners recognize June 2024 as Elder Abuse Awareness Month in Geauga County.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution becomes part of the permanent record of the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Absent</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**MAINTENANCE – AMENDMENT #1 EXHIBIT A NATURAL GAS – FIRST AMENDMENT EXHIBIT B – ELECTRICITY PURCHASING PROGRAM – PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT REGARDING ENERGY – CCAO SERVICE CORPORATION AND CCAOSC ENERGY SOLUTIONS – AUTHORIZE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE ELECTRIC SUPPLIER CONTRACT**

*Contract Coordinator Matt Sieracki asked the Board to execute the amendment #1 to Exhibit A for the Natural Gas Purchasing Program and first amendment for Exhibit B for Electricity Purchasing Program to the participation agreement with CCAO Service Corporation.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute Amendment #1 to Exhibit A. Natural Gas Purchasing Program and First Amendment for Exhibit B. Electricity Purchasing Program to the Participation Agreement Regarding Energy Purchasing Programs with CCAO Service Corporation and CCAOSC Energy Solutions.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Absent</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>

*Mr. Sieracki then asked the Board to authorize the County Administrator to execute the Electric Supplier Contract.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and authorize the County Administrator, Gerard Morgan to execute the Electric Supplier Contract.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Absent</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**MAINTENANCE – AGREEMENT, TEC, INCORPORATED – PROJECT MANAGEMENT – ANNEX BUILDING GENERATOR UPGRADE**

*Mr. Sieracki asked the Board to execute the agreement with TEC Incorporated for design, drawing and project management on the generator upgrade at the Annex building.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the Agreement with TEC, Incorporated to provide design, drawing and project management for the purpose of the Geauga County Annex Building Generator Upgrade, per the specifications listed in the RFP to be effective June 4, 2024 and shall be completed within forty-five (45) days in an amount not to exceed \$28,000.00.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Absent</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>

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**MAINTENANCE – SERVICE CONTRACT AGREEMENT – MERIDIAN CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, INCORPORATED**

*Mr. Sieracki asked the Board to execute the contract with Meridian Construction for some small ADA compliance issues, including a counter for the Board of Elections.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute the service Contract Agreement with Meridian Construction Services, Incorporated to perform construction services for various Geauga County locations per the Director for a one-year period, effective June 4, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Absent</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**MAINTENANCE – SERVICE CONTRACT AGREEMENT – GABLE ELEVATOR, INCORPORATED**

*Mr. Sieracki asked the Board to execute the contract with Gable Elevator for inspections and maintenance at various county locations.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute a service Contract Agreement with Gable Elevator, Incorporated to perform elevator inspections and maintenance at various county locations for a two-year period, effective June 4, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Absent</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – REQUEST FOR PARTIAL PAYMENT #8 – INFINITY CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INCORPORATED – COURTHOUSE EXPANSION**

*Mr. Morgan asked the Board to approve the partial payment request #8 for Infinity on the Courthouse project.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Request for Partial Payment #8 for Infinity Construction Company, Incorporated for the Geauga County Courthouse Expansion for GMP #1 and GMP #2 expenses in the amount of \$588,901.88.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Absent</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – ACCEPT RESIGNATION – GREG O'BRIEN – BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH AND RECOVERY SERVICES**

*Mr. Morgan explained that Mr. O'Brien has submitted his resignation from the Board of Mental Health. It was noted that his term did not expire until June 30, 2025 but his resignation was effective April 30, 2024. Mr. Morgan explained that they are looking at the state change allowing for the Board size to change. The Board of Mental Health needs to talk with the Commissioners about the size of it to meet a quorum and then the Commissioners have to take action to reduce the Board. Jim Moser from Mental Health briefly explained that if the Board changes it could potentially change how appointments are made to meet requirements. Mr. Morgan noted that the state to this point was handling the required positions and depending on the change in the number could require the Board of Commissioners to meet certain position requirements. Mr. Lennon expressed the possible need to advertise for Mr. O'Brien's position. Clerk Christine Blair explained that in the email she received it noted that one of the state positions was ending on June 30<sup>th</sup>, Ms. Bagley, and she has submitted her application to the Board for consideration. Ms. Bagley fills a requirement, so an option may be to consider appointing her to fill the remainder of Mr. O'Brien's term thru the end of June 2025. Depending on the change in requirements, we will need to update our application as well.*

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*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to accept the resignation of Greg O'Brien from the Geauga County Board of Mental Health and Recovery Services to be effective April 30, 2024.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Absent</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A PARCEL OF LAND FOR LOCATION OF THE FUTURE GEAUGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT ON AGING CHARDON SENIOR CENTER IN CHARDON TOWNSHIP**

*Mr. Morgan expressed that the Purchase and Sale Agreement is mostly ready, and would like to move forward with the resolution that authorizes the execution of the agreement once it does become ready.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to approve and execute Resolution #24-124 Authorizing the Purchase of a Parcel of Land for the Location of the Future Geauga County Department on Aging Chardon Senior Center in Chardon Township.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Date: June 4, 2024*

*Resolution: #24-124*

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A PARCEL OF LAND FOR THE LOCATION OF THE FUTURE GEAUGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT ON AGING CHARDON SENIOR CENTER IN CHARDON TOWNSHIP**

*WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners (“Board of Commissioners” or “County”) hereby deems it necessary to purchase the land and building known as Permanent Parcel No. 06-102730, (the “Property”) for the public use of housing the future Geauga County Department on Aging Chardon Senior Center; and*

*WHEREAS, the County has successfully negotiated with the owner of the Property for the purchase of same for the price of Seven Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00); and*

*WHEREAS, the County also negotiated acceptable terms of a Purchase and Sale Agreement (“PSA”) with Seller and the County now desires to execute the PSA and begin the process to purchase the Property; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners that said Property is necessary for the public purpose of housing the future Geauga County Department on Aging Chardon Senior Center.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners shall purchase the Property by executing the PSA with the Seller of the Property for the herein stated purpose and price.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners also instructs the Commissioners' Office to immediately secure the funds for the \$ 50,000.00 deposit required under the PSA and wire the funds to the Escrow Agent as provided in the PSA.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Administrator to execute any other documents necessary for the real estate closing and/or property transfer.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Lennon</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Absent</i>
	<i>Commissioner Spidalieri</i>	<i>Aye</i>

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DISCUSSION

*Mr. Lennon brought up several emails that he has received from the Board of Elections using Building 8 at 470 Center Street for the upcoming election as a poll location. Mr. Spidalieri stated that they could let them use it again this year and that going forward they would need to find an alternate location.*

*Mr. Morgan brought up a request from Jonathon Tiber, who is the Chair of the Township Trustees Association asking for a letter of support from the Board regarding changes being proposed for local zoning, expressing that the Commissioners have concern about it and that we want to keep our local zoning. Mr. Lennon stated that he was not in favor of losing local zoning.*

*Mr. Morgan explained that we are trying to get two Boards updated that are part of the CRA's. Assistant County Administrator Linda Burhenne added that there are two boards, a Housing Council and a Tax Incentive Review Council and in the past the Board sat on those boards and had alternates and now they feel it is not the correct way to do and a sense of having the Commissioners on the Board is a conflict, so the Individual Board members need to appoint someone for the board. Ms. Blair added that is for the Burton, Parkman and Troy CRA's. We just need to know from the board who they would like to appoint.*

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a) *Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities April 17, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes*
- b) *A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the week ending May 15, 2024 as required by O.R.C. 955.12.*
- c) *The Monthly Inventory Report, Consolidated Investment Portfolio and Obligations and Securities monthly reports filed by the Treasurer's Office for Geauga County for the Month of April 2024 pursuant to ORC 135.35(L).*
- d) *Geauga Transit Annual Report 2023*

OTHER

*The Board reviewed upcoming events.*

MEETINGS

*Tue., 6/4 Geauga County State Audit 2022 Exit Conference / 2023 Entrance Conference following the Commissioners' Session, Room B303*

*Wed., 6/5 Board of Revision, 9:00 a.m. Auditor's Appraisal Conference Room*

*Mon., 6/10 OneOhio Region 13 meeting, 10:00 a.m., County Office Building, Room A334*

*Tue., 6/11 Planning Commission, 7:30 a.m. 12611 Ravenwood Drive, Room A333-334, Chardon*

*Tue., 6/11 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.*

*Mon., 6/17 Family First Council, 1:30 p.m. County Office Building*

*Tue., 6/18 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.*

*Tue., 6/18 Meeting with Vistra at 1:00 p.m. regarding the Perry Nuclear Power Plant at the Lake County EMA*

*Mon., 6/19 **County offices will be closed for general business due to the Juneteenth holiday. Twenty-four-hour operations will continue to operate as usual.***

*Ms. Blair added that the Clerk for Portage County went ahead and advertised for the Joint Detention Center Board meeting for the budget, and I had asked her to wait until I had talked to the Board. Mr. Morgan stated that he had spoken to the Portage County Administrator and if we are withdrawing then they will need to adjust the tax budget. Mr. Spidalieri asked if we have*

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*received any money back from the detention center from the reimbursement that was voted on at the last detention center meeting. Mr. Lennon added that we also need to figure out the 22.5 % dollar amount and come to some kind of agreement on the equity of the building. Mr. Lennon expressed that we hope to continue to be a customer in the future. Mr. Morgan mentioned that it would be around \$900,000.00. Mr. Spidalieri expressed that we need to keep on this funding that was never sent to us for a few years during covid, and maybe obtain a copy of the video from the last joint board meeting. Mr. Morgan brought up an idea to have a joint meeting to discuss the financial piece of the withdrawal.*

*Local resident Diane Jones asked about the \$200,000.00 liability, to which Mr. Spidalieri explained that there was a carryover from 2020-2021 and 2022-2023 that has been being carried over and not disbursed back to the counties. Mr. Spidalieri noted that during the joint board meeting, they agreed to keep a small portion of the funding, \$30,000.00 to replace some equipment that is failing, and the remaining funds needs to be divided by the percentages for the counties and returned. Ms. Jones asked about the two names of the two committees that were briefly discussed, to which it was noted that it was community reinvestment housing council and the tax incentive review council.*

***BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD***

*Motion: by Commissioner Lennon, seconded by Commissioner Spidalieri to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 a.m.*

*Geauga County Board of Commissioners*

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*Ralph Spidalieri*

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*James W. Dvorak*

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*Timothy C. Lennon*

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*Christine Blair, Commissioners' Clerk*

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