

Commissioners' Journal
May 13, 2025

The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on May 13, 2025 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.

President of the Board James W. Dvorak opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Commissioner Spidalieri was absent from today's meeting.*

Commissioner Dvorak read the following prayer:

Let's bow our heads.

In 1962, President John F. Kennedy signed a proclamation which designated May 15 as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the week in which that date falls as "Police Week."

That day is specifically set aside to honor and remember the officers that have made the ultimate sacrifice.

To date, there have been around 100 line of duty deaths across the county this year.

We would like to honor those that have fallen.

"Blessed are the peacemakers" for they shall be called the children of God.

Matthew 5:9

Amen

FINANCIALS

Acting County Administrator Linda Burhenne reported on financials from May 7, 2025, Resolution #25-087, including a Travel Request for the Commissioners' office.

Acting County Administrator approved the financials from May 7, 2025 pursuant to Resolution #25-087 approved January 7, 2025 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 2025, as authorized by O.R.C. 305.30.

MEETING MINUTES

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of April 15, 2025.

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

APPROVE FINANCIALS

Budget and Finance Manager Adrian Gorton explained the financials for today as including an Appropriation transfer to the Sheriff in their Equipment account so they can order additional replacement inmate lockers; Purchase order from the Commissioners to Lake Geauga Recovery Centers for the Jail Treatment program request out of the Opioid Settlement Fund; Travel requests for the Common Pleas Court, Job and Family Services and the Recorder's Office; Then and Now encumbrance from Water Resources to HDR Engineering for professional services rendered in March, April and May of 2025 that were not previously encumbered; a payment for Job and Family Services to the Child Care Resource Center of Cuyahoga County for the first quarter 2025 DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America) technical assistance programs in the amount of \$26,402.47 and a payment for Maintenance to Cable Communications for the installation of new cameras and control panels in the Geauga County Office Building in the amount of \$37,694.69.

There was a brief discussion about what DECA stands for, and Mr. Gorton explained that it appears to be for high school technical job training programs.

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Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute Resolution #25-088 itemizing the financials for the meeting of May 13, 2025.

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

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – AWARD BID – ECLIPSE COMPANY, INCORPORATED – REALIGNMENT OF BAINBRIDGE ROAD AT WASHINGTON STREET TRAFFIC SIGNALIZATION – AUBURN TOWNSHIP

Deputy Engineer Shane Hajjar asked the Board to award the bid to Eclipse Company for the realignment of Bainbridge Road and Washington Street Traffic signalization in Bainbridge Township. Commissioner Brakey asked if there were any other bidders on this project. Mr. Hajjar replied no, that they were the only bidder and the amount came in under the estimate of \$600,000.00.

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to award the Bid to Eclipse Company, Incorporated for the Realignment of Bainbridge Road at Washington Street Traffic Signalization in Auburn Township in the amount of \$575,180.57 as they represented the lowest and best bid. The Bid Bond submitted shall be held to serve as the Performance Bond for this project.

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

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – AWARD BID – GRADE LINE, INCORPORATED – REPLACEMENT OF THE HASKINS ROAD BRIDGE – BAINBRIDGE TOWNSHIP

Mr. Hajjar asked the Board to award the bid to Grade Line Incorporated for the replacement of the Haskins Road Bridge. Ms. Brakey noted that the bid amount was a hundred thousand dollars under the estimate. Mr. Hajjar explained that they looked at the units and one area they saved money is in the box itself. The engineers projected a higher material cost, but the contractor was able to source the material below estimate. It is a fairly simple bridge replacement, end treatments are basic and the contractor has done these before for us, and the other bids were competitive with this one.

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to award the Bid to Grade Line, Incorporated for the Replacement of the Haskins Road Bridge in Bainbridge Township in the amount of \$280,896.50 as they represented the lowest and best bid. The Bid Bond submitted shall be held to serve as the Performance Bond for this project.

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

COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – AWARD BID – GRADE LINE, INCORPORATED – REPLACEMENT OF RIVERVIEW DRIVE BRIDGE – BAINBRIDGE TOWNSHIP

Mr. Hajjar asked the Board to award the bid to Grade Line Incorporated for the replacement of the Riverview Drive Bridge in Bainbridge Township. Mr. Hajjar noted that this bid came in a little over the estimate, but the end treatments are more complicated and a smaller working area can pose more of a challenge, so the bid reflects that.

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to award the Bid to Grade Line, Incorporated for the Replacement of the Riverview Drive Bridge in Bainbridge Township in the amount of \$515,636.45 as they represented the lowest and best bid. The Bid Bond submitted shall be held to serve as the Performance Bond for this project.

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

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COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – RESOLUTION TO ORDER – ASPHALT RESURFACING
OF SPERRY ROAD (CH-0012, SECTIONS B-G) NEWBURY, RUSSELL AND CHESTER
TOWNSHIPS – EXECUTE TITLE SHEET – SET BID OPENING

Mr. Hajjar asked the Board to approve the resolution to order for the asphalt resurfacing of Sperry Road in Newbury, Russell and Chester Townships, to execute the title sheet and set the bid opening.

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute Resolution #25-089 to Order the Asphalt Resurfacing of Sperry Road (CH-0012, Sections B-G) in Newbury, Russell and Chester Townships.

This resolution also requests the Board approve and execute the Title Sheet of the Specifications for the same.

Further, this resolution sets a Bid Opening on Friday, May 30, 2025 at 10:05 a.m. using Bid Express at the County Engineer's Office. Notice of this Bid Opening will be advertised on May 15, 2025 and on the county website.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date: May 13, 2025

Resolution: 25 – 089

**RESOLUTION TO ORDER THE ASPHALT RESURFACING OF
SPERRY SECTIONS B-G, CH-0012 IN NEWBURY TOWNSHIP,
RUSSELL TOWNSHIP, AND CHESTER TOWNSHIP**

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners (Board) has determined by Resolution #24-222 that the public convenience and welfare requires the improvement of Sperry Road (CH-0012), Sections B-G from Kinsman Road to Mayfield Road by constructing and reconstructing culverts, performing drainage improvements, subgrade stabilization, asphalt resurfacing and improving shoulders and related improvements as necessary in accordance with Ohio Revised Code (R.C.) 5555.06; and

WHEREAS, lands will not be taken relative to the improvements; and

WHEREAS, the cost of such improvement will not be excessive in view of the public utility thereof and no special assessments shall be collected to fund this improvement; and

WHEREAS, the Board, after reviewing the plans with the County Engineer in public session, is satisfied that the public convenience and welfare require that said improvement be made.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board in accordance with R.C. 5555.13 hereby orders that such improvement proceed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board in accordance with R.C. 5555.022 hereby approves the surveys, plans, profiles, cross sections, estimates, and specifications for such improvement, the costs of which shall be paid from local and/or state funding sources in accordance with R.C. 5555.43.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board is hereby ordered to let this project for bids in accordance with R.C. 5555.61. The bids shall be let upon a unit price basis. Bids shall be received until 10:00 AM on May 30, 2025 and read publicly at 10:05 AM.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board is hereby instructed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Newbury Township, Russell Township, and Chester Township Board of Trustees and the Geauga County Engineer.

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

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COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE – RESOLUTION TO ORDER – ASPHALT RESURFACING OF FAIRMOUNT ROAD (CH-0016, SECTIONS C-E) RUSSELL AND NEWBURY TOWNSHIPS – EXECUTE TITLE SHEET – SET BID OPENING

Mr. Hajjar asked the Board to approve the resolution to order for the asphalt resurfacing of Fairmount Road in Russell and Newbury Townships, to execute the title sheet and set the bid opening.

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute Resolution #25-090 to Order the Asphalt Resurfacing of Fairmount Road (CH-0016, Sections C-E) in Russell and Newbury Townships.

This resolution also requests the Board approve and execute the Title Sheet of the Specifications for the same.

Further, this resolution sets a Bid Opening on Friday, May 30, 2025 at 10:10 a.m. using Bid Express at the County Engineer's Office. Notice of this Bid Opening will be advertised on May 15, 2025 and on the county website.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date: May 13, 2025

Resolution: 25 – 090

RESOLUTION TO ORDER THE ASPHALT RESURFACING OF SECTIONS C-E OF FAIRMOUNT ROAD, CH-0016 IN RUSSELL TOWNSHIP, NEWBURY TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners (Board) has determined by Resolution 24 - 221 that the public convenience and welfare requires the improvement of Fairmount Road (CH-0016), Sections C-E from Chillicothe Road to Sperry Road by constructing and reconstructing culverts, performing drainage improvements, subgrade stabilization, asphalt resurfacing and improving shoulders and related improvements as necessary in accordance with Ohio Revised Code (R.C.) 5555.06; and

WHEREAS, lands will not be taken relative to the improvements; and

WHEREAS, the cost of such improvement will not be excessive in view of the public utility thereof and no special assessments shall be collected to fund this improvement; and

WHEREAS, the Board, after reviewing the plans with the County Engineer in public session, is satisfied that the public convenience and welfare require that said improvement be made.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board in accordance with R.C. 5555.13 hereby orders that such improvement proceed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board in accordance with R.C. 5555.022 hereby approves the surveys, plans, profiles, cross sections, estimates, and specifications for such improvement, the costs of which shall be paid from local and/or state funding sources in accordance with R.C. 5555.43.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board is hereby ordered to let this project for bids in accordance with R.C. 5555.61. The bids shall be let upon a unit price basis. Bids shall be received until 10:00 AM on May 30, 2025 and read publicly at 10:10 AM.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board is hereby instructed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Russell Township Board of Trustees, the Newbury Township Board of Trustees, and the Geauga County Engineer.

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

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Mr. Hajjar noted that these are the last two projects going out to bid for this year. Commissioner Dvorak asked about OPWC funding in this year's projects. Mr. Hajjar noted that there are OPWC funds in three projects this year, including a bridge and two road paving projects. There are several federally funded projects this year.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE – EXECUTE OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES (OCJS)
VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMAN ACT (VAWA) GRANT PRE-AWARD CONDITIONS AND
STANDARD ASSURANCES FORMS (GRANT #2024-wf-VA5-70318)

Sheriff Scott Hildenbrand asked the Board to approve the pre-award conditions and standard assurances for the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) grant that is an increased amount from the state. This grant is used for the salary for a deputy who handles all domestic situations and protection orders.

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS) Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Grant Pre-award Conditions and Standard Assurances forms for Grant #2024-WF-VA5-70318 in the amount of \$80,000.00 (\$60,000.00 from OCJS and \$20,000.00 local County match). This grant is for the period January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025.

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

SHERIFF'S OFFICE – EXECUTE OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES (OCJS)
GRANT PRE-AWARD CONDITIONS AND STANDARD ASSURANCES FORMS (GRANT
#2024-JG-A03-47070)

Sheriff Hildenbrand asked the Board to approve the pre-award conditions and standard assurances for the OCJS grant for Flock Cameras. Currently there are ten around the county and this will give an additional five cameras. Sheriff Hildenbrand provided an example of a man from South Carolina who was coming into the county with a plan to kill his grandparents, and he was picked up on the flock cameras and they were able to stop him in Bainbridge before he got there. Ms. Brakey inquired about where the new cameras would be installed. Chief Deputy Tom Rowan explained that the Detective Bureau does not really publicize the locations.

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS) Grant Pre-award Conditions and Standard Assurances forms for Grant #2024-JG-A03-47070 for Flock Cameras in the amount of \$25,500.00 (\$19,125.00 from OCJS and \$6,375.00 local County match). This grant is for the period January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025.

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – ACCEPT THE
PERFORMANCE BOND – COUNTRY ROOFING, LLC – RELEASE BID BOND – CHAGRIN
FALLS PARK COMMUNITY CENTER ROOF REPLACEMENT

Project Manager Elaine Malkamaki asked the Board to accept the performance bond for Country Roofing and release the bid bond for the Chagrin Falls Park Community Center Roof Replacement project.

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to accept the Performance Bond for Country Roofing, LLC for the Chagrin Falls Park Community Center Roof Replacement Project, under CDBG Grant #B-F-23-IAZ-1 and further release the Bid Bond.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – NOTICE TO PROCEED – COUNTRY ROOFING, LLC – CHAGRIN FALLS PARK COMMUNITY CENTER ROOF REPLACEMENT

Ms. Malkamaki asked the Board to approve the President to execute the Notice to Proceed for Country Roofing. The project has to be completed by the end of August, and they are ready to start on Monday.

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Notice to Proceed for Country Roofing, LLC for the Chagrin Falls Park Community Center Roof Replacement Project.

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – AMEND MOTION FROM MAY 6, 2025 – REVISE THE PUBLIC HEARING #2 DATE - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) ALLOCATION PROGRAM

Ms. Malkamaki asked the Board to revise the Public Hearing #2 date and date of advertisement due to the change in the meeting schedule. Ms. Brakey asked what the process was for awarding the grant. Ms. Malkamaki explained that all the applications will be presented and gone over during the hearing and typically we have time for review, however due to the change in the schedule, a decision will be needed that day. The project applications are ranked within the binders that were provided to the Board, but two projects need to be selected, along with two alternate projects. Mr. Dvorak asked for confirmation on the grant cycle being a two-year cycle now and only two larger projects. Ms. Malkamaki noted that during the last grant cycle, the state changed the rules from multiple smaller projects to the two larger ones, and that it is based on the amount of funding that the county receives.

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to amend the motion from May 6, 2025 to read: grant permission to advertise to hold Public Hearing #2 for the 2025 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Allocation Program to be held on Thursday, May 29, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. Notice of this Public Hearing #2 will be advertised on May 15, 2025 and on the county website.

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

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – RESOLUTION HONORING LAKE-GEAUGA UNITED HEAD START, INCORPORATED – CELEBRATING ITS 60TH ANNIVERSARY

Ms. Brakey explained that her mom was a Head Start Director, so this one is near and dear to her heart.

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute Resolution #25-091 Honoring Lake-Geauga United Head Start, Incorporated on celebrating its 60th Anniversary.

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date: May 13, 2025

Resolution: #25-091

RESOLUTION HONORING LAKE-GEAUGA UNITED HEAD START, INCORPORATED ON CELEBRATING ITS 60TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, in 1964, the Federal Government used a panel of child development experts to create a program to help communities meet the needs of disadvantaged preschool children, that program became the blueprint for Project Head Start; and

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WHEREAS, in 1965 the Office of Economic Opportunity launched an eight-week summer program: Project Head Start, which was designed to help break the cycle of poverty by providing preschool children of low-income families with a comprehensive program to meet the emotional, social, health, nutritional and psychological needs; and

WHEREAS, in 1965 Lake County Head Start was created and in 1968 Geauga County Head Start was added to the program. Over the years, the program has experienced changes, but has managed to keep up with the ever changing Federal and State regulations that guide the program; and

WHEREAS, Lake-Gauga United Head Start currently serves two hundred eighty-eight (288) children between the ages of three (3) and five (5) along with their families in three centers, two in Lake County and one in Geauga, that help to foster healthy development and school readiness, by delivering the most responsive and appropriate needs of each child's development and learning; and

WHEREAS, Lake-Gauga United Head Start also provides screenings for hearing, vision, medical, dental and development, offers disability and mental health services, nutrition education and family support, as well as community resources to families; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners hereby honors Lake-Gauga United Head Start, Incorporated on celebrating its 60th Anniversary; and

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 Spidalieri</i>	<i>Absent</i>
	<i>Commissioner Brakey</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Dvorak</i>	<i>Aye</i>

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – RESOLUTIONS FOR THIRTY-ONE GIRLS SCOUTS IN NORTHEAST OHIO WHO ACHIEVED GOLD AWARD

Clerk Christine Blair explained that this is the third year we have received a request to honor and recognize all the Girl Scouts in Northeast Ohio that achieved their Gold Award. Of the 31 girls, one is from Geauga County in South Russell. Ms. Blair noted the many different cities the girls are from and the name of the project for Ms. Mascia was titled "ArtEd."

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve and execute the following Resolutions for thirty-one (31) Girl Scouts in Northeast Ohio who have achieved their Gold Award, the highest award in Girl Scouts:

<i>Resolution #25-092 Bri Esterling</i>	<i>Resolution #25-093 Emily Heino</i>
<i>Resolution #25-094 Isabel Nerpouni</i>	<i>Resolution #25-095 Grace Fricker</i>
<i>Resolution #25-096 Molly Dubitsky</i>	<i>Resolution #25-097 Sarah Bernardo</i>
<i>Resolution #25-098 Lucy Macejko</i>	<i>Resolution #25-099 Megan Panchula</i>
<i>Resolution #25-100 Elizabeth Siembida</i>	<i>Resolution #25-101 Katelynn Roberts</i>
<i>Resolution #25-102 Sicily Horn</i>	<i>Resolution #25-103 Clover Wagner</i>
<i>Resolution #25-104 Katie Mostoller</i>	<i>Resolution #25-105 Irenne Scherer</i>
<i>Resolution #25-106 Gabriela Skomra</i>	<i>Resolution #25-107 Madolyn Kost</i>
<i>Resolution #25-108 Cecelia Mascia*</i>	<i>Resolution #25-109 Makaela Lubrano</i>
<i>Resolution #25-110 Aubrey Winczewski</i>	<i>Resolution #25-111 Chloe Mance</i>
<i>Resolution #25-112 Angel DeVor</i>	<i>Resolution #25-113 Madelyn Adkins</i>
<i>Resolution #25-114 Katie Reynolds</i>	<i>Resolution #25-115 Laura Hall</i>
<i>Resolution #25-116 Sydney Harbour</i>	<i>Resolution #25-117 Olivia Ullner</i>
<i>Resolution #25-118 Grace Robbins</i>	<i>Resolution #25-119 Sophie Gehring</i>
<i>Resolution #25-120 Anna Holthouse</i>	<i>Resolution #25-121 Rebecca Babb</i>
<i>Resolution #25-122 Marissa Gerogosian</i>	

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

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Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Resolution: #25-092
Date: May 13, 2025

*RESOLUTION HONORING BRI EASTERLING FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT
GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING*

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Bri Easterling is a member of Girl Scout Troop #60044 from Canal Fulton, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Bri Easterling completed her Gold Award project titled STEM Kits for Daughters of Veterans; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Bri Easterling for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Resolution: #25-093
Date: May 13, 2025

*RESOLUTION HONORING EMILY HEINO FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT
GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING*

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Emily Heino is a member of Girl Scout Troop #80095 from Canfield, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

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WHEREAS, Emily Heino completed her Gold Award project titled Signs of a Cleaner Community; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Emily Heino for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

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RESOLUTION HONORING ISABEL NERPOUNI FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Isabel Nerpouni is a member of Girl Scout Troop #71352 from Chagrin Falls, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Isabel Nerpouni completed her Gold Award project titled Shade Tree Commission Web Page Project; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Isabel Nerpouni for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

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RESOLUTION HONORING GRACE FRICKER FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

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WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Grace Fricker is a member of Girl Scout Troop #91224 from Perrysburg, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Grace Fricker completed her Gold Award project titled High School Decompression Room; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Grace Fricker for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-096

Date: May 13, 2025

RESOLUTION HONORING MOLLY DUBITSKY FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Molly Dubitsky is a member of Girl Scout Troop #71176 from Independence, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Molly Dubitsky completed her Gold Award project titled Sensory Activity Trail; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Molly Dubitsky for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-097
Date: May 13, 2025

RESOLUTION HONORING SARAH BERNARDO FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Bernardo is a member of Girl Scout Troop #71184 from Painesville, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Bernardo completed her Gold Award project titled A Step Towards a Dementia-Friendly Society – Memory Kits and Education; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Sarah Bernardo for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-098
Date: May 13, 2025

RESOLUTION HONORING LUCY MACEJKO FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

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WHEREAS, Lucy Macejko is a member of Girl Scout Troop #70572 from Strongsville, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Lucy Macejko completed her Gold Award project titled Sensory Garden; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Lucy Macejko for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-099

Date: May 13, 2025

RESOLUTION HONORING MEGAN PANCHULA FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Megan Panchula is a member of Girl Scout Troop #SU762 from Eastlake, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Megan Panchula completed her Gold Award project titled Leadership Resources for GLR-OH-252 (Civil Air Patrol); and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Megan Panchula for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-100

Date: May 13, 2025

RESOLUTION HONORING ELIZABETH SIEMBIDA FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

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WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Siembida is a member of Girl Scout Troop #80777 from Leetonia, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Siembida completed her Gold Award project titled Gaga Ball Installation at Columbiana Schools; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Elizabeth Siembida for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-101

Date: May 13, 2025

RESOLUTION HONORING KATELYN ROBERTS FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Katelynn Roberts is a member of Girl Scout Troop #80051 from Poland, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Katelynn Roberts completed her Gold Award project titled A Back Through Poland Player's History; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Katelynn Roberts for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-102
Date: May 13, 2025

RESOLUTION HONORING SICILY HORN FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Sicily Horn is a member of Girl Scout Troop #60334 from Louisville, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Sicily Horn completed her Gold Award project titled Sustaining Louisville's Urban Forest; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Sicily Horn for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-103
Date: May 13, 2025

RESOLUTION HONORING CLOVER WAGNER FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

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WHEREAS, Clover Wagner is a member of Girl Scout Troop #80093 from Cortland, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Clover Wagner completed her Gold Award project titled Community Box; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Clover Wagner for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-104

Date: May 13, 2025

RESOLUTION HONORING KATIE MOSTOLLER FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Katie Mostoller is a member of Girl Scout Troop #91224 from Copley, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Katie Mostoller completed her Gold Award project titled Bundles of Hope; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Katie Mostoller for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-105

Date: May 13, 2025

RESOLUTION HONORING IRENNE SCHERER FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

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WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Irenne Scherer is a member of Girl Scout Troop #91105 from Kent, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Irenne Scherer completed her Gold Award project titled Music in Nature; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Irenne Scherer for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-106

Date: May 13, 2025

RESOLUTION HONORING GABRIELA SKOMRA FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Gabriela Skomra is a member of Girl Scout Troop #90939 from Hudson, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Gabriela Skomra completed her Gold Award project titled Cultural Communities; and

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Gabriela Skomra for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-107
Date: May 13, 2025

RESOLUTION HONORING MADOLYN KOST FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Madolyn Kost is a member of Girl Scout Troop #91105 from Kent, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Madolyn Kost completed her Gold Award project titled Hard Work Pays Off Bench: and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Madolyn Kost for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-108
Date: May 13, 2025

RESOLUTION HONORING CECELIA MASCIA FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National

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Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Cecelia Mascia is a member of Girl Scout Troop #70716 from South Russell, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Cecelia Mascia completed her Gold Award project titled The ArtEd Corner: and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Cecelia Mascia for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-109

Date: May 13, 2025

RESOLUTION HONORING MAKAE LA LUBRANO FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Makaela Lubrano is a member of Girl Scout Troop #71531 from Berea, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Makaela Lubrano completed her Gold Award project titled Catering Cares Program: and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Makaela Lubrano for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Date: May 13, 2025

**RESOLUTION HONORING AUBREY WINCZEWSKI FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT
GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING**

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Aubrey Winczewski is a member of Girl Scout Troop #71293 from Westlake, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Aubrey Winczewski completed her Gold Award project titled Air Quality Awareness; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Aubrey Winczewski for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-111
Date: May 13, 2025

**RESOLUTION HONORING CHLOE MANCE FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT
GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING**

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Chloe Mance is a member of Girl Scout Troop #70572 from Strongsville, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

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WHEREAS, Chloe Mance completed her Gold Award project titled A Book for Everyone; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Chloe Mance for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-112
Date: May 13, 2025

RESOLUTION HONORING ANGEL DEVOR FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Angel DeVor is a member of Girl Scout Troop #70334 from Rocky River, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Angel DeVor completed her Gold Award project titled Care Packages for Newborns and their Moms; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Angel DeVor for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-113
Date: May 13, 2025

RESOLUTION HONORING MADELYN ADKINS FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

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WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Madelyn Adkins is a member of Girl Scout Troop #70145 from Strongsville, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Madelyn Adkins completed her Gold Award project titled Making a Splash: Fun and Safety in the Water!; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Madelyn Adkins for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-114

Date: May 13, 2025

**RESOLUTION HONORING KATIE REYNOLDS FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT
GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING**

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Katie Reynolds is a member of Girl Scout Troop #71819 from Waite Hill, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Katie Reynolds completed her Gold Award project titled Old South Church Food Pantry Volunteer and Client Organization; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Katie Reynolds for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-115
Date: May 13, 2025

RESOLUTION HONORING LAURA HALL FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Laura Hall is a member of Girl Scout Troop #60708 from Canton, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Laura Hall completed her Gold Award project titled Sensory Room and Nursery Refresh, Storage Cleanout; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Laura Hall for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-116
Date: May 13, 2025

RESOLUTION HONORING SYDNEY HARBOUR FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

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WHEREAS, Sydney Harbour is a member of Girl Scout Troop #60038 from North Canton, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Sydney Harbour completed her Gold Award project titled Jr. Eagles XC Program; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Sydney Harbour for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-117

Date: May 13, 2025

**RESOLUTION HONORING OLIVIA ULLNER FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT
GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING**

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Olivia Ullner is a member of Girl Scout Troop #70291 from Chagrin Falls, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Olivia Ullner completed her Gold Award project titled Eyes and Ears for Guatemala; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Olivia Ullner for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-118

Date: May 13, 2025

**RESOLUTION HONORING GRACE ROBBINS FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT
GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING**

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WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Grace Robbins is a member of Girl Scout Troop #90678 from Twinsburg, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Grace Robbins completed her Gold Award project titled Sleep Safe, Sleep Sound; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Grace Robbins for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-119

Date: May 13, 2025

**RESOLUTION HONORING SOPHIE GEHRING FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT
GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING**

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Sophie Gehring is a member of Girl Scout Troop #91512 from Akron, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Sophie Gehring completed her Gold Award project titled Promote the Vote; and

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Sophie Gehring for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Resolution: #25-120
Date: May 13, 2025

RESOLUTION HONORING ANNA HOLTHOUSE FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Anna Holthouse is a member of Girl Scout Troop #90776 from Medina, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Anna Holthouse completed her Gold Award project titled River Bank Restoration and Nature Reflection Area; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Anna Holthouse for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Date: May 13, 2025

RESOLUTION HONORING REBECCA BABB FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National

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Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Rebecca Babb is a member of Girl Scout Troop #80093 from Macedonia, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Rebecca Babb completed her Gold Award project titled Flag Retirement; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Rebecca Babb for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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Date: May 13, 2025

RESOLUTION HONORING MARISSA GEROGOSIAN FOR ACHIEVING THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOR IN GIRL SCOUTING

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are a nationally acclaimed organization known for training young women to build character, citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts in ninth through twelfth grade (Ages 14-18). In order to achieve the individual Gold Award, a Girl Scout must complete two Senior or Ambassador Journeys or earned the Silver Award and completed a Journey, that helps solve a community problem, and is set forth from the National Girl Scouts of the United States of America organization to inspire leadership and contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, Marissa Gerogosian is a member of Girl Scout Troop #71551 from Strongsville, Ohio, and has excelled in leadership, demonstrating strong organizational skills and a sense of community and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Marissa Gerogosian completed her Gold Award project titled Zen Aid Kit; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners honor and salute Marissa Gerogosian for her service to her community and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

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

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COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – CANCEL SESSION – TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2025

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to cancel the session on Tuesday, May 20, 2025, due to a lack of a quorum.

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

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – AMEND 2026 TAX BUDGET HEARING SCHEDULE – MOVE HEARINGS FROM MAY 20, 2025 TO MAY 29, 2025 AND JUNE 3, 2025

Ms. Burhenne asked the Board to amend the Tax Budget Hearing schedule to adjust for the cancellation of the meeting and hearings on May 20, 2025.

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to amend the 2026 Tax Budget Hearing Schedule to move the Hearings from Tuesday, May 20, 2025 to Thursday, May 29, 2025 and Tuesday, June 3, 2025.

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

BOARD DISCUSSION

Letter to PUCO regarding First Energy:

Ms. Brakey explained that we sent the letter to FirstEnergy about the closure of the Middlefield Service Center, and in that letter, we included that we would file comments in the FirstEnergy's distribution rate case before the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) if FirstEnergy continued to move forward with the closure. Ms. Brakey stated that she wished to have done it with the full Board, however the comments are due next week, so we need to move forward and file the comments. Mr. Dvorak stated that he reviewed the letter, and it was direct and to the point.

Motion: by Commissioner Brakey, seconded by Commissioner Dvorak to approve, execute and submit a letter to the PUCO regarding First Energy and the closure of the Middlefield Service Office.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Christine Stenzel from Chardon asked for more information about the comments to FirstEnergy. Ms. Brakey explained that FirstEnergy is closing the service center in Middlefield, and this will be the Commissioners' comments to the PUCO regarding that closure.

Adam Litke with the Health Department wanted to mention that they held the special needs fishing event last week and that Commissioner Dvorak has put this event on for the last ten years. They had 52 kids in attendance. They had a great time fishing, visiting with the Sheriff, Fire Departments and all those that came out for the event. Mr. Dvorak explained that everyone caught a fish, some caught several, and one was a fourteen-inch catfish that was a special catch. This is a scheduled field trip every year, to be outside enjoying the great outdoors. Mr. Litke noted that the catfish was fun, someone thought it was a shark, that it was the size of a boat, and there were numerous tales about that fish. Ms. Brakey asked if they had golf carts again this year, as it is often a highlight of the day. Mr. Dvorak explained that Pleasant Hills Golf Course donates the carts for the day, and then O'Reilly brings them the night before and picks them up after the event. It's just a great event and a great day.

Newell Howard from South Russell Village asked everyone to remember those lost this Memorial Day.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a) *Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities Board Meeting Minutes for March 19, 2025*

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- b) *A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the week ending April 30, 2025 as required by O.R.C. 955.12.*
- c) *A monthly report filed by the Geauga County Sheriff's Office of an account of expenses for the Inmate meals for the month ending April 2025.*
- d) *A monthly report filed by the Geauga County Sheriff's Office of an account of expenses for Prisoner Transport for the month ending April 2025 as required by O.R.C. 325.07.*

OTHER

The Board reviewed upcoming events.

MEETINGS

Tue., 5/13 Planning Commission, 7:30 a.m., Geauga County Offices, Room A334 (Third Floor)

Tue., 5/13 2026 Tax Budget Hearings, beginning at 12:30 p.m., Room B303

Mon., 5/19 Family First Council, 1:30 p.m., County Office Building, Room 168

~~*Tue., 5/20 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.*~~

~~*Tue., 5/20 2026 Tax Budget Hearings, beginning at 12:30 p.m., Room B303*~~

*Mon., 5/26 **The County Offices will be closed in honor of Memorial Day. Twenty-four Hour Operations will continue to operate as usual.***

Thu., 5/29 2026 Tax Budget Hearing, 8:45 a.m.

Thu., 5/29 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.

Thu., 5/29 2026 Tax Budget Hearings, beginning at 12:30 p.m.

Tue., 6/3 2026 Tax Budget Hearing, 8:15 a.m.

Tue., 6/3 Investment Advisory Committee, 9:00 a.m.

Tue., 6/3 The Commissioners will hold session at 9:30 a.m.

BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD

Motion: by Commissioner Dvorak, seconded by Commissioner Brakey to adjourn the meeting at 9:57 a.m.

Gauga County Board of Commissioners

James W. Dvorak

Carolyn Brakey, Esq.

Ralph Spidalieri

Christine Blair, Commissioners' Clerk

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