



Board of County Commissioners Regular Meeting

Lisa A. Sobecki, President
Pete Gerken
Anita Lopez

April 22, 2025 - 11:00 AM
Commissioners' Hearing Room
1st Floor, One Government Center
Toledo, OH 43604

MINUTES

Pledge of Allegiance - Coy Elementary School - Second Graders (video)

Call to Order

Commissioner Sobecki called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM. Commissioners Sobecki, Gerken, and Lopez were present.

Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

The previous meeting's minutes were approved.

Commissioners

1. - Proclaiming April 22 as Earth Day

Ben Pushka was present and offered comments. Adam Cassi, Director of Keep Toledo Lucas County Beautiful, was present and offered comments.

Resolution No. 2025-289

Commissioner Sobecki moved to approve; Commissioners Sobecki, Lopez and Gerken voted yes.

2. - Proclaiming April 26, 2025 as Toledo Streets Newspaper Day

Ben Stalets, Toledo Streets Newspaper Vendor Manager, and Michael Pidsosny, Lucas County JFS and member of Toledo Streets Newspaper Advisory Board were present and offered comments.

Resolution No. 2025-290

Commissioner Sobecki moved to approve; Commissioners Sobecki, Lopez and Gerken voted yes.

3. - Supporting the Code of Conduct between the Lucas County Sheriff's Office and the Community

Baldemar Valasquez, President of the Farm Labor Organizing Committee, Pastor Gordon, and Darlene Sweeny-Newbern, NAACP Toledo, were present and offered comments.

Resolution No. 2025-291

Commissioner Gerken moved to approve; Commissioners Gerken, Sobecki and Lopez voted yes.

4. - Authorization to Enter into an Economic Development Grant Agreement with Toledo Urban Federal Credit Union to Support the 2025 African American Festival

Jessica Ford was present and requested approval for:

Resolution No. 2025-292

Commissioner Sobecki moved to approve; Commissioners Sobecki, Lopez and Gerken voted yes.

5. - Authorization to Enter into an Economic Development Grant Agreement with Great Lakes Jazz Society to Support 2025 Jazz Fest

Jessica Ford requested approval for:

Resolution No. 2025-293

Commissioner Sobecki moved to approve; Commissioners Sobecki, Lopez and Gerken voted yes.

6. - Authorization to Enter into an Economic Development Grant Agreement with Toledo Jeep Fest Corporation to Support Jeep Fest

Jessica Ford requested approval for:

Resolution No. 2025-294

Commissioner Gerken moved to approve; Commissioners Gerken, Sobecki and Lopez voted yes.

7. - Authorization to Enter into an Economic Development Grant Agreement with Toledo Classic Inc to Support the Dana Open

Jessica Ford requested approval for:

Resolution No. 2025-295

Commissioner Sobecki moved to approve; Commissioners Sobecki, Lopez and Gerken voted yes.

8. - Authorization to Enter into an Economic Development Grant Agreement with Italian Bowl LLC to Support the 2025 Italian Bowl

Jessica Ford requested approval for:

Resolution No. 2025-296

Commissioner Gerken moved to approve; Commissioners Gerken, Sobecki and Lopez voted yes.

9. - Authorization to Enter into an Economic Development Grant Agreement with the Lucas County Agricultural Society to Support the 2025 Lucas County Fair ****TABLED****

10. - Authorization to Enter into an Economic Development Grant Agreement with ConneCToledo to Support the 2025 Summer Concert Series ****TABLED****

11. - Authorization to Enter into an Economic Development Grant Agreement with Toledo Roadrunners Club in Support of the Mercy Health Glass City Marathon

Jessica Ford requested approval for:

Resolution No. 2025-297

Commissioner Sobecki moved to approve; Commissioners Sobecki, Lopez and Gerken voted yes.

12. - Authorization to Enter into an Economic Development Grant Agreement with the Toledo Regional Chamber of Commerce to Support the Toledo Area Minority Business Assistance Center (MBAC)

Brian Dicken, Vice President Advocacy and Strategic Initiatives for the Toledo Regional Chamber of Commerce was present and offered comments. Jessica Ford requested approval for:

Resolution No. 2025-298

Commissioner Sobecki moved to approve; Commissioners Sobecki, Lopez and Gerken voted yes.

Recorder

Julie East was present and offered the following for approval:

13. - Approval for Payment on the Recorder's TrakRecord System Migration to Cloud Environment to Document Technology Systems, Ltd.

Resolution No. 2025-299

Commissioner Lopez moved to approve; Commissioners Lopez, Sobecki, and Gerken voted yes.

Facilities

Jeff Nowak was present and offered the following for approval:

14. - Permission to Enter in a Lease Agreement with All 4 Kids, LLC for the Use of Space at Spencer Township Neighborhood Center, Holland, Ohio 43528

Resolution No. 2025-300

Commissioner Lopez moved to approve; Commissioners Lopez, Sobecki, and Gerken voted yes.

15. - Permission to Advertise Roof Replacement at the Lucas County Emergency Management Services Building located at 2144 Monroe Street, Toledo, Ohio 43604

Resolution No. 2025-301

16. - Permission to Advertise Cabling Upgrades for the Lucas County Coroner's Office located at 2595 Arlington Avenue, Toledo, Ohio 43614

Resolution No. 2025-302

17. - Permission to Enter into a Lease Agreement with Northwest Ohio Quarter Midget Racing Association, an Ohio Non-Profit

Resolution No. 2025-303

Commissioner Sobecki moved to approve; Commissioners Sobecki, Lopez and Gerken voted yes.

Support Services

Mary Kunkle was present and offered the following for approval:

18. - Approval of the Lucas County Local Vendor Preference Policy

Resolution No. 2025-304

Commissioner Lopez moved to approve; Commissioners Lopez, Sobecki, and Gerken voted yes.

Office of Management & Budget

John Wenzlick was present and offered the following for approval:

19. - Affirming the Actions of the Lucas County Public Defender Commission by the Board of County Commissioners, Lucas County, Ohio, including Contracting with the Toledo Legal Aid Society, Inc. for Public Defender Services in Common Pleas Court, Juvenile Court, and Toledo Municipal Court to provide Public Defender Services for CY 2025

Resolution No. 2025-305

20. - Affirming the Actions of the Lucas County Public Defender Commission by the Board of County Commissioners, Lucas County, Ohio, including Contracting with the Toledo Legal Aid Society, Inc. for Public Defender Services in Oregon Municipal Court for CY2025

Resolution No. 2025-306

21. - Affirming the Actions of the Lucas County Public Defender Commission by the Board of County Commissioners, Lucas County, Ohio, including Contracting with the Toledo Legal Aid Society, Inc. for Public Defender Services in Maumee Municipal Court for CY 2025

Resolution No. 2025-307

22. - Affirming the Actions of the Lucas County Public Defender Commission by the Board of County Commissioners, Lucas County, Ohio, including Contracting with the Toledo Legal Aid Society, Inc. for Public Defender Services in Sylvania Municipal Court for CY 2024

Resolution No. 2025-308

Commissioner Gerken moved to approve; Commissioners Gerken, Sobecki and Lopez voted yes.

Human Resources

Trent Burner was present and offered the following for approval:

23. - Authorization of Paid Time Off for Employees to Complete an Annual Physical

Resolution No. 2025-309

Commissioner Lopez moved to approve; Commissioners Lopez, Sobecki, and Gerken voted yes.

Executive Session

Trent Burner requested executive session to discuss personnel matters related to changes to the tables of organization and chart of positions, appointments, promotions, compensation, and discipline of a public employee.

Commissioner Sobecki made a motion to enter into executive session at 12:03 p.m.

Commissioner Sobecki, Gerken, and Lopez voted yes.

Commissioner Sobecki made a motion to exit executive session at 1:12 p.m.

Commissioner Sobecki, Gerken, and Lopez votes yes.

Human Resources

Trent Burner offered the following for approval:

24. - Amendment to the Table of Organization and Chart of Positions for the Emergency Services Department to add One (1) Emergency Services/Emergency Management Agency Director Position

Resolution No. 2025-310

25. - Promotion of Abby Buchhop to the Position of Director of Emergency Services/Emergency Management Agency

Resolution No. 2025-311

26. - Authorizing the Abolishment of the Director of Emergency Management Agency Position in the Department of Emergency Services

Resolution No. 2025-312

27. - Appointment of Michele Eshman, Jackie Porter, and Glenda Jacob to Fill the Eligibility Specialist 2 Positions in the Department of Job & Family Services

Resolution No. 2025-313

Commissioner Sobecki moved to approve; Commissioners Sobecki, Lopez and Gerken voted yes.

Adjournment

The Board adjourned their meeting at 1:13 p.m.



Justin L. Richmond, Deputy Clerk

The next open meeting will be held on April 22, 2025 at 2:00 PM Commissioners' Hearing Room, 1st Floor, One Government Center, Toledo, Ohio.

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