

## BUDGET COMMISSION

The Geauga County Budget Commission met in regular session on Monday, April 15, 2019 at 10:02 a.m. in the Auditor's Conference Room at 231 Main Street, Chardon, Ohio. Present: Geauga County Auditor Charles E. Walder, Geauga County Prosecutor James R. Flaiz, and County Treasurer C. P. Hitchcock.

Also Present: Deputy Auditor Bev Sustar

### Prior Minutes

Motion by Charles E. Walder, seconded by James Flaiz, to approve the minutes of the April 1, 2019 regular session.

Voice vote: three ayes. Motion carried

### 2019 Certificate Amendments

#### Russell Township – Amendment #3

Motion by James Flaiz, seconded by C.P. Hitchcock, to amend the Russell Township Official Certificate of Estimated Resources to reflect the following changes to revenue previously certified:

##### Capital Project Funds

Increase 4901 Misc. Cap Project other source revenue 2,636,947.50, from 0.00 to 2,636,947.50

New Capital Project Funds Total:	\$ 3,026,137.44
New Total 2019 Certificate:	\$ 14,920,545.54

Voice vote: Two ayes. One abstains. Motion carried.

#### Kenston LSD – Amendment #4

Motion by C.P. Hitchcock, seconded by Charles E. Walder, to amend the Kenston LSD Official Certificate of Estimated Resources to reflect the following changes to revenue previously certified:

##### Special Revenue

Increase Student Activities other source revenue 75,000.00, from 614,180.00 to 689,180.00

##### Capital Project Funds

Increase Perm Improvement other source revenue 250,000.00, from 643,728.00 to 893,728.00

New Special Revenue Funds Total:	\$ 2,124,440.32
New Capital Project Funds Total:	\$ 3,090,278.77
New Total 2018/2019 Certificate:	\$ 72,808,648.41

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried.

### Requests to Shift Inside Millage

#### Claridon Township

Third reading of Claridon Township's resolution to shift inside millage. Currently they have 1.5 mills going to General Fund, with 1.5 mills going to Road & Bridge. They are requesting that the millage be changed to 2.5 mills to General Fund, with the remaining .5 mills allocated to Road & Bridge. Due to the unique relationship of the Township and Aquilla Village, any shift in inside millage will affect the millage available to the Aquilla. Only the township inside millage assigned to Roads will be available to Aquilla Village. So the village's General Fund inside millage would have to be reduced from 1.5 mills to .5 mills should the millage shift be approved

Discussion of services: Fire levy is assessed to both. Township has two contracts for Fire Services. Aquilla village passed Current Expense levy in order to continue providing two services to residents

and remain in compliance with ORC, Current services are weekly curbside garbage collection, and leaf pick up in the fall.

Aquilla village is part of Claridon Township. The village residents pay wages for six village council members, a mayor and a fiscal officer. They also pay for three township trustees and a township fiscal officer.

Current Schedule B’s for both Claridon Township and Aquilla are presented for review. Loss of Revenue for Aquilla Village would be approximately \$4,200.00

Motion by Charles E. Walder, seconded by C. P. Hitchcock, to accept the Claridon Township resolution to shift millage.

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried

**Russell Township**

Russell Township is requesting a shift in their inside millage. Currently they have 2.0 mills going to General Fund, with 1.0 mill going to Road & Bridge. They are requesting that the millage be changed to 3.0 mills to General Fund, with no inside millage for Road & Bridge. The township current has four voted levies with a combined effective rate of 5.57 mills, and estimated revenue of \$1,470,350. Current General Fund inside millage revenue is estimated at \$524,370. The millage shift would increase the General Fund revenue by approximately \$262,200. Russell Township does not have any voted Current Expense levies at this time.

The current Schedule B is presented for review

Motion by James Flaiz, seconded by C. P. Hitchcock, to accept the revised resolution.

Voice vote: two ayes. One abstains. Motion carried.

**Claridon Township**

Mr. Tiber requested a further discussion regarding the possible reduction of the newly approved 2.3 mill Fire levy, and placing an additional levy on the ballot for the same amount of the reduction. He was advised to address one levy issue at a time.

Being no further business to conduct it was moved by Charles E. Walder to adjourn the April 15, 2019 special meeting at 11:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Charles E. Walder, Auditor  
Secretary/Budget Commission

