

**BUDGET COMMISSION**

The Geauga County Budget Commission met in regular session on Monday, September 19, 2016 at 10:02 a.m. in the Auditor’s Appraisal Conference Room at 231 Main Street, Chardon, Ohio. Present: Geauga County Auditor Frank J. Gliha, Geauga County Prosecutor James R. Flaiz, and Geauga County Treasurer C. P. Hitchcock. Also Present: Deputy Auditor Beverly Sustar

**Prior Minutes**

Motion by Jim Flaiz, seconded by C. P. Hitchcock, to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2016 regular session.

Voice vote: three ayes. Motion carried

Motion by Frank J. Gliha, seconded by Jim Flaiz, to approve the minutes of the August 23, 2016 special session that included the 2017 Annual Budget Hearings.

Voice vote: three ayes. Motion carried

**School Year 2016/2017 Amendments**

**Newbury LSD – 2016/2017 Amendment #1**

Motion by Jim Flaiz, seconded by C. P. Hitchcock, to amend Newbury LSD’s Official Certificate of Estimated Resources for the 2016/2017 School Year to reflect “actual” July 1, 2016 Unencumbered balances and a revised estimate of Other Source Revenues per their Treasurer’s year-end balance sheet.

	New Fund Totals	Net change over (under) their 2/22/16 Original Certificate	
General Fund	7,880,557.00	816,008.00	in the beginning balances
Special Revenue Funds	3,922,552.31	(16,497.67)	in the beginning balances
		48,157.98	in other source revenue
Capital Project Funds	159,187.62	(16,831.38)	in the beginning balances
Enterprise Funds	251,746.37	(39.63)	in the beginning balances
Internal Service Funds	432,537.97	85,495.97	in the beginning balance
Fiduciary Funds	73,478.14	3,358.14	in the beginning balances
<b>New Total – All Funds</b>	<b>12,720,059.41</b>		
<b>Net Change over original certificate</b>		<b>919,651.41</b>	

Voice vote: three ayes. Motion carried.

**Berkshire L.S.D. – Amendment #2**

Motion by C. P. Hitchcock, seconded by Frank J. Gliha, to amend Berkshire LSD’s Official Certificate of Estimated Resources to reflect the following changes to revenue previously certified:

General Fund

Decrease Other source revenue \$2,000.00, from 10,644,426.00 to 10,642,426.00

Special Revenue Funds

Increase Latchkey Fund other source revenue 17,000.00, from 0.00 to 17,000.00  
 Increase Student Activities other source revenue 15,000.00, from 80,000.00 to 95,000.00  
 Decrease Title IIA other source revenue 20,000.00, from 70,000.00 to 50,000.00

Internal Service Funds

Increase Insurance Fund other source revenue 65,000.00, from 375,000.00 to 440,000.00.

General Fund Total:	\$19,418,926.65
Special Revenue Funds Total:	\$ 1,146,962.55
Internal Service Funds Total:	\$ 496,026.10
Total 2016 Certificate Total:	\$22,148,926.94

Voice vote: three ayes. Motion carried.

**2016 Amendments**

**Geauga County – Amendment #9**

Motion by Frank J. Gliha, seconded by Jim Flaiz, to amend Geauga County’s Official Certificate of Estimated Resources to reflect the following changes to revenue previously certified:

Special Revenue Funds

Increase 2027 Metzenbaum other source revenue 55,000.00, from 7,607,895.00 to 7,662,895.00.  
 Increase 2005 Care & Custody other source revenue 375.00 from 139,537.00 to 139,912.00  
 Increase 2019 Juvenile Recovery other source revenue 1,700.00, from 10,500.00 to 12,200.00  
 Increase 2051 CASA Fund other source revenue 654.00, from 284,451.71 to 285,105.71  
 Increase 2079 Juvenile Spec Projects other source revenue 6,662.22, from 18,000.00 to 24,662.22  
 Increase 2080 Probate Spec Projects Other source revenue 10,000.00, from 27,000.00 to 37,000.00

Capital Project Funds

Increase 4023 MRC Construction other source revenue 50,000.00, from 200,000.00 to 250,000.00  
 Increase 4004 Juv/Prob Computer other source revenue 6,250.00, from 15,000.00 to 21,250.00

Internal Service Funds

Increase 1005 Fair Rotary other source revenue 5,000.00, from 42,200.00 to 47,200.00

Special Revenue Funds Total:	\$ 83,911,882.18
Capital Project Funds Total:	\$ 9,279,528.67
Internal Service Funds Total:	\$ 1,300,474.18
Total 2016 Certificate Total:	\$152,942,430.63

Voice vote: three ayes. Motion carried.

**Auburn Township – Amendment #5**

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

Special Revenue Funds

Increase 2031 Road & Bridge Real Estate Taxes 1,473.47, from 1,469,342.63 to 1,470,816.10  
Increase 2031 Road & Bridge other source revenue 30,547.40, from 2,134,168.00 to 2,164,715.40

Special Revenue Funds Total: \$5,109,164.14  
Total 2016 Certificate Total: \$8,726,637.86

Voice vote: three ayes. Motion carried

**South Russell Village – Amendment #6**

Motion by C. P. Hitchcock, seconded by Frank J. Gliha, to amend South Russell Village’s Official Certificate of Estimated Resources to reflect the following changes to revenue previously certified:

General Fund

Increase other source revenue \$250,000.00, from 1,114,154.00 to 1,364,154.00

Special Revenue Funds

Increase Safety Fund other source revenue \$303,500.00, from 1,170,898.00 to 1,474,398.00  
Increase Park Fund other source revenue \$7,000.00, from 0.00 to 7,000.00  
Increase Operating Fund other source revenue \$125,000.00, from 345,053.00 to 470,053.00

Capital Project Funds

Increase Special Building/Land other source revenue \$20,000.00, from 37,900.00 to 57,900.00

New General Fund Total: \$2,082,240.87  
New Special Revenue Funds Total: \$6,567,048.63  
New Capital Project Funds Total: \$ 150,444.47  
Total 2016 Certificate Total: \$9,003,274.39

Voice vote: three ayes. Motion carried

**2016 Appropriation Transfer Request**

**6011 – Geauga Health District – Private Water Fund**

Motion by Frank J. Gliha, seconded by Jim Flaiz, to approve the 6011 Fund appropriation transfer totaling 17.00 from Other Expenses to OPERS.

Total 2016 - 6011 Fund appropriations \$ 65,524.00

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried

**6011 – Geauga Health District – Private Water Fund**

Motion by Jim Flaiz, seconded by C. P. Hitchcock, to approve the 6011 Fund appropriation transfer totaling 500.00 from Other Expenses to OPERS.

Total 2016 - 6011 Fund appropriations      \$ 65,524.00

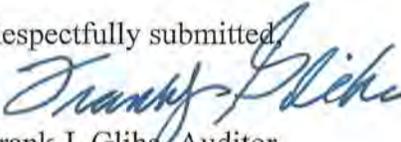
Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried

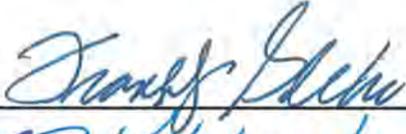
Mr. Hitchcock presented a newspaper article from July 2, 2015 supporting an additional 2.0 mill police levy for Bainbridge Township. The article quoted the trustees as stating that would be forced to layoff current officers and to reduce services if the levy did not pass.

Mr. Hitchcock stated the cash carryover in the Bainbridge Police Fund for 2016 was \$1.9 million, with expected revenues of \$2.7 and anticipated expenses of \$3.0 million. Mr. Hitchcock calculated that the excess carryover could cover the shortfall for five years before a running out of funds.

With the passage of the additional levy in 2016, \$1 million in additional funds will be added to the estimated revenue. During the Budget Hearings the fiscal officer with support from one of the township’s clerks indicated that the excess carryover would be used to hire 2 new officers and purchase three new cruisers. Mr. Hitchcock stated that was a 13% expansion of services, not a support of existing services. Mr. Hitchcock indicated that he was done with Bainbridge Township misrepresenting their financial position. He apologized to the other budget commission members for not having this information available at the annual budget hearing for Bainbridge Township. He would have the information available for next year.

Being no further business to conduct it was moved by C. P. Hitchcock to adjourn the September 19, 2016 regular meeting at 10:14 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
  
Frank J. Gliha, Auditor  
Secretary/Budget Commission

  
  
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