

BUDGET COMMISSION

The Geauga County Budget Commission met in regular session on Monday, December 18, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. in the Auditor’s Conference Room at 215 Main Street, Chardon, Ohio.

Present: Geauga County Auditor Charles E. Walder, Geauga County Prosecutor James Flaiz, and Geauga County Treasurer C. P. Hitchcock was represented by Chief Deputy Treasurer Caroline Mansfield.

Also Present: Chief Deputy Auditor and Manger Pam McMahan, Deputy Auditor Tammy Most, and Deputy Auditor Kristen Sinatra

Meeting was advertised: Regular Business
WebEx was offered for virtual attendance.

Prior Minutes
Motion by Charles Walder, seconded James Flaiz, to approve the minutes of the December 4, 2023 - Regular meeting.

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried

2024 Original Certificate GCA-014 correction

City of Chardon
Certificate was presented for review and signing – clerical error was discovered.

Certificate was re-signed

Capital Project Funds
Increase #452 General Cap Impr Fund other source revenue 1,165,000.00 from 3,687,325.00 to 4,852,325.00

New Capital Project Fund Total	\$7,996,065.00
New 2024 Certificate Total	\$33,232,394.00

2023/2024 School Amended Certificate -Correction

Chardon Local School District 2023/2024 - Amendment #2 Re-sign
Certificate was presented for review and signing- clerical error was discovered:

Certificate was re-signed

Special Revenue Fund
Decrease 507 ESSER other source revenue (42,079.62), from 158,445.82 to 116,366.20
Decrease 516 Idea Part B other source revenue (13,100.54), from 1,147,830.14 to 1,134,729.60
Increase 572 Title I other source revenue 277,652.16 from 291,739.79 to 569,391.95
Decrease 584 Student Support other source revenue (18,713.78), from 67,873.69 to 49,159.91
Decrease 587 Idea Part B Preschool other source revenue (14,750.06), from 49,400.00 to 34,649.94
Decrease 590II-A other source revenue (1,592.75), from 67,297.88 to 65,705.13
Increase 599 Title IV-A other source revenue 137,213.80 from 1,038,570.31 to 1,178,784.11
Net Adjustment: \$324,629.21

New Special Revenue Fund Total:	\$ 7,963,405.31
New 2023/2024 Certificate Total:	\$81,230,353.26

2023/2024 School Amended Certificate

Chardon Local School District 2023/2024 - Amendment #3

Motion by James Flaiz, seconded by Caroline Mansfield, to amend the Chardon LSD Official Certificate of Estimated Resources to reflect the following changes to revenue previously certified:

Special Revenue Fund

Increase 401 Auxiliary Funds other source revenue 73,899.70, from 78,000.00 to 151,899.70
Increase 507 ESSER other source revenue 13,490.61, from 116,366.20 to 129,856.81
Increase 516 Idea Part B other source revenue 122,796.61 from 1,134,729.60 to 1,257,526.21
Decrease 572 Title I other source revenue (272,796.63), from 554,052.16 to 281,255.53
Increase 584 Student Support other source revenue 5,979.44, from 49,159.91 to 55,139.35
Increase 587 Idea Part B Preschool other source revenue 3,385.06, from 34,649.94 to 38,035.00
Increase 590 II-A other source revenue 14,867.96, from 65,705.13 to 80,573.09
Decrease 599 Title IV-A other source revenue (265,360.16) from 785,213.80 to 519,853.64
Net Adjustment: \$(303,737.41)

New Special Revenue Fund Total:	\$ 7,659,667.90
New 2023/2024 Certificate Total:	\$82,550,039.85

**Appropriation form GCA-006 dated 12/18/23 does not exceed estimated revenue.*

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried.

Berkshire Local School District 2023/2024 - Amendment #4

Motion by Caroline Mansfield, seconded by Charles Walder, to amend the Berkshire LSD Official Certificate of Estimated Resources to reflect the following changes to revenue previously certified:

Special Revenue Fund

Increase #300 Student Activities fund other source revenue 176,716.44, from 384,000.00 to 560,716.44
Increase #401 Auxiliary funds other source revenue 9,319.00, from 0.00 to 9,319.00
Net Adjustment: \$186,035.44

New Special Revenue Fund Total:	\$ 3,826,408.04
New 2023/2024 Certificate Total:	\$30,621,970.89

**Appropriation form GCA-006 dated 12/18/23 does not exceed estimated revenue.*

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried.

2023 Amendments

Russell Township Amendment #7

Motion by Charles Walder, seconded by James Flaiz, to amend the Russell Township's Official Certificate of Estimated Resources to reflect the following changes to revenue previously certified:

Special Revenue Funds

Increase Fund 2111 Fire District Other-other source revenue 5,083.80, from 18,486.67 to 23,570.47
Increase Fund 2281 Fire/Ems/Ambulance other source revenue 307,377.00, from 115,000.00 to 422,377.00
Net adjustment \$312,460.80

New Special Revenue Fund Total:	\$11,133,087.27
New 2023 Certificate Total	\$16,731,173.64

**Appropriation form GCA-006 dated 11/6/23 does not exceed estimated revenue.*

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried

South Russell Village Amendment #8

Motion by James Flaiz, seconded by Caroline Mansfield, to amend the South Russell Village’s Official Certificate of Estimated Resources to reflect the following changes to revenue previously certified:

Capital Project Funds

Increase Fund D14 Chillicothe Rd Culvert Other-other source revenue (transfer from Income Tax Fund) 13,329.37, from 221,150.00 to 234,479.37

New Capital Project Fund Total:	\$1,804,709.06
New 2023 Certificate Total	\$11,293,352.93

**Appropriation form GCA-006 dated 12/18/23 does not exceed estimated revenue.*

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried

Munson Township Amendment #5

Motion by Caroline Mansfield, seconded by Charles Walder, to amend Munson Township Official Certificate of Estimated Resources to reflect the following changes to revenue previously certified:

Special Revenue Fund

Increase Ambulance & Emergency Medical Fund other source revenue 40,000.00 from 310,000.00 to 350,000.00

New Special Revenue Fund Total:	\$4,350,200.61
New 2023 Certificate Total:	\$5,677,432.92

**Appropriation form GCA-006 dated 12/18/23 does not exceed estimated revenue.*

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried

Geauga County – Amendment #17

Motion by Charles Walder, seconded James Flaiz, to amend the Geauga County Official Certificate of Estimated Resources to reflect the following changes to revenue previously certified:

Special Revenue Funds

Decrease 2102 Demo Site Revitalize other source revenue (1,359,240.57), from 4,140,641.00 to 2,781,400.43
Decrease 2069 James FlaizS Workforce Investment other source revenue (40,189.78), from 500,000.00 to 459,810.22

Net Adjustment: \$(1,399,430.35)

Capital Projects

Decrease #4031 Community Dev. Grant Fund other source revenue (61,200.00) from 284,000.00 to 222,800.00

Enterprise Funds

Decrease 5002 Sewer other source revenue (58,719.62), from 7,713,803.57 to 7,655,083.95
Decrease 5019 Srom Water Huntington Ridge other source revenue (1,000.00), from 1,000.00 to 0.00

Net adjustments: \$(59,719.62)

New Special Revenue Fund Total:	\$129,712,711.48
New Capital Projects Fund Total:	\$ 28,211,904.47
New Enterprise Fund Total:	\$ 18,146,411.63
New 2023 Certificate Total:	\$239,726,496.00

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried.

Other Business:

Middlefield Village

Motion by James Flaiz, seconded Caroline Mansfield, to accept Middlefield Village’s ordinance 23-159 to reduce collection of 2.0 mill Police levy to 1.43 mills for TY23CY24.

Voice vote: Three ayes. Motion carried

General Discussion:

Letter from Huntsburg Township was read aloud by Prosecutor Flaiz. Auditor Walder asked if anyone from Huntsburg Twp. contacted his office for any information or clarification. The response was no. The comment was made that the window of opportunity has closed, as the paperwork had been submitted to the state.

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Subject: Update on unvoted inside millage return decision

Dear Geauga County Commission,

I trust this letter finds you well. I am writing on behalf of the Huntsburg Board of Trustees to inform you that, at this time, no decisions have been made regarding the return of the unvoted inside millage. The delay is attributed to a lack of comprehensive information required for an informed decision-making process.

We understand the importance of this matter and are actively working to gather all necessary details to facilitate a well-informed and judicious decision. Rest assured, the Board is committed to resolving this issue in a timely manner and will keep you informed of any developments.

Thank you for your understanding and patience as we navigate through this process. If you have any specific concerns or require additional information, please feel free to reach out.

Sincerely,



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Huntsburg Township



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Public Comment:

Representative from Geauga LWV inquired if the action taken by Middlefield Village was included in the submission to the state? Response – yes. They also confirmed that a special meeting for 12/28/23 was scheduled. Response – yes.

Being no further business to conduct, Caroline Mansfield moved to adjourn the December 18, 2023 Regular meeting at 10:17 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Charles E. Walder, Auditor
Secretary/Budget Commission



