

**THE LORAIN COUNTY CONVENTION FACILITY AUTHORITY
MINUTES**

Thursday, February 24, 2022

The tape of this meeting is on file in the Lorain County Convention & Visitors Bureau
located at 226 Middle Avenue, Room #532, Elyria 44035

Present: Neil Lynch; Ron Billings; Garry Gibbs; Martin Heberling; Mary Siwierka; David Larson;
Deena Williams; LePreece Thomas; Patrick Hastings; Kreig Brusnahan

Absent: Vassie Scott

Legal Counsel: Dan Peticord; Greg Peltz

Guests: None

ROLL CALL & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Garry Gibbs called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. noting that a quorum was present. Roll call was taken. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Garry Gibbs welcomed everyone to the Lorain County Convention Facility Authority meeting. Mr. Gibbs asked that we go around the table, and Authority Members introduce themselves and give a thirty second bio on where they reside, family, job background and what they have been and are currently involved in their communities.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

None

OLD BUISNESS

None

PRESENTATION OF BYLAWS

Dan Peticord & Greg Peltz from the Lorain County Prosecutor's Office presented the bylaws/outline which will govern the Lorain County Convention Facility Authority. Discussion ensued with Authority Members. It was decided that Authority Members would review bylaws within the following week. Send questions, comments, to Mr. Peltz and he would answer by next meeting, at which time bylaws would be voted on.

NEW BUSINESS

The following Authority Members were presented for the following length of terms:

3-year terms (expire 2/15/2025) Neil Lynch; Martin Heberling; Deena Williams;

Kreig Brusnahan

2-year terms (expire 2/15/2024) Ron Billings; Mary Siwierka; Vassie Scott; Patrick Hastings

1-year term (expire 2/15/2023) Garry Gibbs, David Larson, LePreece Thomas

It was noted that the terms were randomly assigned by Mr. Peltz, Lorain County Assistant Prosecutor and upon expiration are renewable for a 4-year term. Mr. Martin moved to accept the recommendations of Authority Members terms, seconded by Mr. Larson. The motion **passed** unanimously.

The following Authority Members were presented as officers for the term 2/16/2022 – 2/15/2023:

Chairman: Garry Gibbs; Vice-Chairman: Martin Heberling; Secretary: LePreece Thomas; Treasurer: Ron Billings. Ms. Siwierka moved to accept the nominated slate of officers, seconded by Mr. Brusnahan. The motion **passed** unanimously.

General discussion ensued on financial responsibility, appropriate expenses and scope of work possibly of the Lorain County Convention and Facility Authority. Also, there was discussion on future meeting, dates and location for Convention and Facility Authority. For more detail of discussion, the tape of this meeting can be referred to. No action was taken on discussion of topics only that next meeting would be held March 10, 2022, at Transportation Center, 40 East Avenue, Elyria.

Dan Peticord, Lorain County Assistant Prosecutor asked that the Authority Members go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing real property. Ms. Siwierka moved to go into Executive Session, seconded by Mr. Larson. The motion **passed** unanimously at 6:40 p.m.

Authority Members reconvened out of Executive Session at 6:55 p.m.

CALL FOR OTHER NEW BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Siwierka moved to adjourn. Mr. Billings seconded the motion. The motion **passed** unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Submitted by: Garry Gibbs, Chairman

