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### DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH 30, 2007	CCC/ESAO REGIONAL MEETING, THE UPSTAIRS RESTAURANT, MAHONING COUNTY (YOUNGSTOWN)
MARCH 30, 2007	CCAO AGRICULTURE & RURAL AFFAIRS AND INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEES, CCAO OFFICES, COLUMBUS
APRIL 2, 2007	CCAO TAXATION & FINANCE COMMITTEE, CCAO OFFICES, COLUMBUS
APRIL 13, 2007	CCAO REGIONAL LEGISLATIVE BRIEFING, BLUEBIRD FARM, CARROLL COUNTY (CARROLLTON)
APRIL 19, 2007	CCAO LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE, CCAO OFFICES, COLUMBUS
APRIL 20, 2007	CCAO BOARD OF TRUSTEES, CCAO OFFICES, COLUMBUS
APRIL 22-28, 2007	NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT WEEK - <a href="http://WWW.NACO.ORG">WWW.NACO.ORG</a>
APRIL 23, 2007	NW DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS & ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION, TREE LINKS GOLF COURSE, LOGAN COUNTY (BELLEFONTAINE)
APRIL 27, 2007	CCC/ESAO REGIONAL MEETING, SALLIES, ASHLAND COUNTY (ASHLAND)
MAY 4, 2007	CCC/ESAO REGIONAL MEETING, THEO'S RESTAURANT, GUERNSEY COUNTY (CAMBRIDGE)
JUNE 10-12, 2007	CCAO/CEAO ANNUAL CONFERENCE, PARK INN TOLEDO (FORMERLY RADISSON HOTEL), LUCAS COUNTY (TOLEDO)
JULY 13-17, 2007	NACo ANNUAL CONFERENCE, RICHMOND, VA

## ASSOCIATION NEWS

### CCAO AGRICULTURE & RURAL AFFAIRS AND INFRASTRUCTURE & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEES JOINT MEETING - MARCH 30

The CCAO Agriculture & Rural Affairs and the Infrastructure & Environment Committees will have a joint meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, March 30. Joyce Morehart, Wyandot County Commissioner, chairs the Agriculture & Rural Affairs Committee and Mark Thomas, Belmont County Commissioner, chairs the Infrastructure & Rural Affairs Committee. A joint meeting is being held because the agenda items fall under the domain of both committees. Committee members will discuss the treatment of forest/woodlands under CAUV, status of the county ditch law and current Ohio EPA regulations, septic systems, and road impacts from concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOS). Speakers will be from the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation, Ohio Department of Natural Resources, and several counties.

Lunch will be served during the meeting. To assure an accurate meal count, please contact Janet Erwin, Administrative Assistant, at (614) 220-7986, (888) 757-1904 or [jerwin@ccao.org](mailto:jerwin@ccao.org). Since the meeting is scheduled on a Friday during Lent, please let Janet know if you have any dietary restrictions. Any questions regarding the subject matter for the meeting should be directed to Brad Cole, Senior Policy Analyst, at (614) 220-7981 or [bcole@ccao.org](mailto:bcole@ccao.org) or Josh Hahn, Policy Analyst, at (614) 220-7982 or [jhahn@ccao.org](mailto:jhahn@ccao.org).

### CCC/ESAO REGIONAL MEETINGS SCHEDULED

For the past four years, the County Commissioners Clerks and Engineers Secretaries Association of Ohio (CCC/ESAO), CCAO's first and oldest affiliate organization, have held a series of very successful regional meetings around the state. The purpose of these meetings is for CCC/ESAO members to share their knowledge with other clerks and secretaries that are unable to attend conferences and workshops.

Due to the overwhelming success, CCC/ESAO has scheduled five regional meetings in 2007. These informal meetings are open to all commissioners

clerks or deputies and engineers secretaries or administrative assistants to discuss various topics of concern in your county. The meeting topics are tailored to meet the needs of each district. All meetings will start at 10:00 a.m. and end at 2:30 p.m. There is no charge to attend. Lunch will be sponsored by CCAO/CEAO. **The CCAO Board of Trustees encourages all county commissioners to permit their clerks and other office support staff to attend one of the following meetings.** Please note the date and location of the first three meetings:

#### **MARCH 30, 2007 - MAHONING COUNTY - REGION 3**

LOCATION: The Upstairs Restaurant, 4500 Mahoning Avenue, Mahoning County (Youngstown)

COUNTIES: Ashtabula, Carroll, Columbiana, Cuyahoga, Geauga, Holmes, Lake, Mahoning, Medina, Portage, Stark, Summit, Trumbull, Tuscarawas, and Wayne

For more information please contact Nancy Walega, Administrative Assistant, Mahoning County Engineer's Office, at (330) 799-1581 or [nwalega@mahoningcounty.org](mailto:nwalega@mahoningcounty.org).

#### **APRIL 27, 2007 - ASHLAND COUNTY - REGION 2**

LOCATION: Sallies, 1256 East Main Street, Ashland County (Ashland)

COUNTIES: Ashland, Crawford, Delaware, Erie, Huron, Knox, Licking, Lorain, Marion, Morrow, Ottawa, Richland, Sandusky, Seneca, Union, and Wyandot

For more information please contact Gail Crossen, Clerk, Ashland County Commissioners, (419) 289-0000 or [gcrossen@ashlandcounty.org](mailto:gcrossen@ashlandcounty.org).

#### **MAY 4, 2007 - GUERNSEY COUNTY - REGION 4**

LOCATION: Theo's Restaurant, 632 Wheeling Avenue, Guernsey County (Cambridge)

COUNTIES: Athens, Belmont, Coshocton, Guernsey, Harrison, Jefferson, Meigs, Monroe, Morgan, Muskingum, Noble, and Washington

For more information please contact Crystal Digenova, Clerk, Tuscarawas County Commissioners, at (330) 365-3240 or [commissioners@co.tuscarawas.oh.us](mailto:commissioners@co.tuscarawas.oh.us).

For more information, please contact the 2007 CCC/ESAO President Cheryl Nolan, Administrator/Clerk, Huron County Commissioners, at (419) 668-3092 or [cnolan@hccommissioners](mailto:cnolan@hccommissioners).

#### CCAO TAXATION & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETS APRIL 2

Hardin County Commissioner Gerald Potter, chair of the CCAO Taxation & Finance Committee, has scheduled the first meeting of the committee on Monday, April 2, 2007 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the CCAO Office in Columbus. The primary purpose of the meeting is to discuss the streamlined sales tax initiative and destination-based sourcing rules. Other issues to be discussed include CCAO's policy on the use of permissive county sales and use taxes for schools, options for distribution of local government funds, and the state's phase out of the tangible personal property tax.

Lunch will be served during the meeting. In order to assure an accurate count for lunch, please contact Janet Erwin, Administrative Assistant, at (614) 220-7986, (888) 757-1904 or [jerwin@ccao.org](mailto:jerwin@ccao.org) if you **cannot** attend the meeting. Any questions regarding the subject matter for the meeting may be addressed to Brad Cole, Senior Policy Analyst, (614) 220-7981, (888) 757-1904 or [bcole@ccao.org](mailto:bcole@ccao.org).

#### NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK - APRIL 15-21

Sponsored by the Points of Light Foundation, National Volunteer Week, to be held April 15-21, is about thanking one of America's most valuable assets - our volunteers - and calling the public's attention to all that they do to improve our communities.

The 2007 theme is "Inspire By Example" because it truly reflects the power volunteers have to inspire the people they help, as well as, to inspire other to serve! Download the 2007 National Volunteer Week toolkit, which will help you plan and publicize your recognition activities on the local, state and national levels.

For additional information about National Volunteer Week please contact Fred Whiting at (202) 729-8177

or [volunteerweek@pointsoflight.org](mailto:volunteerweek@pointsoflight.org) or go to <http://www.pointsoflight.org/programs/seasons/nvw>.

#### **CCAO SERVICE CORPORATION NEWS**

#### COST CONTROL ASSOCIATES TO RECEIVE AWARD

A CCAO Service Corporation partner, Cost Control Associates, Inc. (CCA), will receive a joint award for excellence in May from the New York Business Development Corporation and the U.S. Small Business Administration for being an outstanding small business in New York. Cost Control Associates, Inc. administers a CCAO Service Corporation program that makes it possible for local governments to receive funds and cost savings from their telecom and energy providers. Fees for the program are entirely contingency-based and tied directly to the refunds and savings produced.

Through a nationally bid contract by Dallas County, TX that meets the competitive bid requirements for local governments, the NACo and CCA developed a program that is focused specifically on reducing costs in cellular, local and long distance phone, electrical, and natural gas services. CCA accomplishes this through two methods: cost recovery/reduction and source analysis. First they examine bills of existing telecom and energy suppliers to identify any potential errors, submit claims based upon those errors, and obtain refunds. Prior to submitting any potential claims, CCA will present their plans of action to the client for approval. Recommendations will be made in writing, and will only be implemented at the discretion of the county administration. Secondly, they can also perform a comprehensive comparative analysis of rate plans from different service providers in the client's available area for telecom, electrical, and natural gas services. Over 97% of clients receive funds and/or savings by using these services.

For more information please contact Norm Poli, Account Executive - Midwest Region, Cost Control Associates, Inc., 4800 Indian Reserve Road, Alpena, MI 49707, (989) 358-1590, fax (989) 358-1490 or [norm.poli@costcontrolassociates.com](mailto:norm.poli@costcontrolassociates.com) or Tom Strup, CCAO Deputy Director of Operations, at (614) 220-7978, (888) 757-1904 or [tstrup@ccao.org](mailto:tstrup@ccao.org).

## **STATE ACTIVITIES**

### CLEAN OHIO GRANTS MARCH 23 DEADLINE APPROACHING

Local communities seeking to revitalize brownfield properties face a March 23 deadline to apply for Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund grants, Lt. Gov. and Ohio Department of Development (ODOD) Director Lee Fisher recently announced. "The State of Ohio is committed to revitalizing its urban areas to become a viable asset for community and economic growth," Lt. Gov. Fisher said in a statement. "The Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund (CORF) is an excellent resource to help our neighborhoods and communities bring new capital and vitality back into Ohio's local economies." The CORF program provides grants of up to \$3 million for communities to acquire property, demolish structures, conduct environmental cleanup, and improve infrastructure on a brownfield property, the Department of Development said. The agency expects to award about \$43 million in October when the Clean Ohio Council announces the round four grantees. For more information about the Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund please go to [www.odod.oh.us/newsroom/releases/1715.asp](http://www.odod.oh.us/newsroom/releases/1715.asp).

## **FEDERAL ACTIVITIES**

### FRANKLIN COUNTY BOE DIRECTOR TESTIFIES IN OPPOSITION TO 'HAVA II'

On March 20, Matthew Damschroder, Director of the Franklin County Board of Elections and President of the Ohio Association of Election officials, testified on Capitol Hill before the Committee on House Administration - Elections Subcommittee in opposition to 'HAVA II.' Damschroder stated, "During the 2006 General Election in Ohio's 15<sup>th</sup> Congressional District incumbent Republican Deborah Pryce faced Democrat County Commissioner Mary Jo Kilroy in a contest that resulted in an official margin of victory for Congresswoman Pryce of less than ½ of 1% or 1,055 votes out of more than 222,000 ballots cast thus requiring an automatic recount."

Damschroder explained, "The Franklin County

election was administered using the ES&S iVotronic direct recording electronic voting machine, or DRE, with a voter verifiable paper audit trail, or VVPAT. There were 45,684 ballots cast on optically scanned paper absentee ballots and 150,186 ballots cast on 2,341 VVPAT DREs. The use of DRE technology is not new for Franklin County: from 1992 to 2005 elections in Franklin County have been run on paperless DREs. Prior to 2006, both candidates had been elected and re-elected on this technology multiple times."

In 2004, the Ohio General Assembly enacted legislation requiring VVPAT technology to be included with all DREs beginning with the first federal election of 2006. At that time, Damschroder provided testimony in favor of VVPAT technology, but offered two strong cautions, left unaddressed in Ohio's legislation, and expressed the same concerns with HR 811. First, the VVPAT should not be the ballot of record; it should be used only as an audit device to prove the electronic record. Second, the VVPAT requirement should go into affect only after the Election Assistance Commission (EAC) has developed standards for the function and operation of the technology.

In absence of clear guidance in law or from the Secretary of State on the manner and standards by which a VVPAT recount should be conducted in Ohio in preparation for the mandatory recount of the 15<sup>th</sup> Congressional District, Damschroder met with attorneys for each of the campaigns to define the terms of the recount. An agreement was reached that due to the narrow margin of victory in the Congressional contest, it was necessary to exceed the minimum percentage of votes to be hand-recounted. The Secretary of State's administrative guidelines require 3%. The agreement in Franklin County required 10%.

Franklin County's recount was only concluded as efficiently as it was because of the local agreement reached by the Board and the two campaigns that defined voter intent questions on the VVPAT before the recount commenced. Had these questions gone unanswered, litigation would have almost certainly resulted, and it is possible that Congress would have

been unable to seat a representative from the 15<sup>th</sup> Congressional District at the time it convened this past January. Federally codifying subjective language on such an important issue as voter intent is an invitation for further eroding of voter confidence in our Country's exceptional system of elections administration in 2008.

Franklin County's experience in 15<sup>th</sup> Ohio Congressional District recount, as well as the three other recounts conducted of the 2006 General Election and the three subsequent voluntary audits of the paper tapes to the electronic record conducted by the Board and the local newspaper, demonstrates the accuracy of electronic voting systems and the benefit of State and local control over election, audit, and recount definitions and procedures.

Currently, H.R. 811 and S. 559-two companion, bills have been introduced that would amend the Help America Vote Act to impose billions of dollars in costs on counties. As written, the legislation could lead to a meltdown in federal elections across the nation in 2008. Its central provision, which requires the use of paper ballots for all votes cast in a federal election, has broad support in Congress.

However, many Members of Congress do not understand that the bill would also:

- ban the use of DREs with thermal paper rolls and instead require the use of optical scan ballots on archival quality paper;
- mandate the use of ballot-scanning technology in each polling place that currently does not exist;
- require a hand recount of up to ten percent of ballots statewide; and
- prohibit certifying the outcome of an election until an audit board consisting of political party appointees is satisfied with the result.

Please urge your Member of Congress to oppose the extreme provisions of H.R. 811/S. 559. It is critical to explain that it is already too late to implement new technology at the polls for 2008 and, at a minimum, the effective date of any federal legislation requiring

new technology should be 2010 or later. Now is the time to call; there are rumors that this bill will soon come to a vote in the House of Representatives. (Contact: Alysoun McLaughlin, NACo Associate Legislative Director, (202) 942-4254 or [amclaughlin@naco.org](mailto:amclaughlin@naco.org))

#### 'HIDDEN SALES TAX' ON COUNTY PURCHASES MEEK-HERGER BILL WOULD REPEAL TAX COLLECTION MANDATE

If your county spends more than \$100 million per year to purchase goods and services, you will be required to start withholding 3 percent of nearly every transaction — in lieu of the vendor's estimated taxes, thanks to Section 511 of the Tax Increase Prevention and Reconciliation Act.

The law doesn't take effect until 2011. However, two congressmen recently introduced a bill to repeal the provision that would turn counties into federal tax collectors. Reps. Kendrick Meek (D-FL) or Wally Herger (R-CA) introduced H.R.1023, legislation that would lift this burdensome requirement from county governments by repealing Section 511.

Under Section 511, a county employee who buys a screwdriver for \$10 will be required to remit \$9.70 to the hardware store and send the other 30 cents to the IRS. The county will also be required to keep records of each of these transactions and issue exponentially more 1099s or their equivalent at the end of every year.

The provision was created by the Joint Committee on Taxation, a research arm of Congress; the \$6 billion in first-year deposits that this withholding mechanism is projected to yield to the federal treasury was seized upon last year by negotiators from the Senate and House of Representatives who were struggling to provide a list of federal tax cuts that cost \$7 billion more than they intended.

The Meek/Herger legislation faces an uphill climb because, under PAYGO budget rules, it carries the

same \$7 billion price tag that it was originally used to pay.

NACo is urging county officials to ask their members of Congress to cosponsor H.R. 1023. (Contact: Alysoun McLaughlin, NACo Associate Legislative Director, (202) 942-4254 or [amclaughlin@naco.org](mailto:amclaughlin@naco.org))

#### FCC VIDEO FRANCHISING ORDER RELEASED

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) finally released its video franchising order that it voted on December 20, 2006. The order attempts to address unfounded concerns over whether local franchising authorities are “unreasonably” refusing to award competitive franchises.

According to the FCC, these concerns include drawn-out local negotiations with no time limits; “unreasonable” build-out requirements; “unreasonable” requests for “in-kind” payments that attempt to subvert the five percent cap on franchise fees; and unreasonable demands with respect to public, educational and government access (or “PEG”). None of these assertions are supported by the factual record, but rather by anecdotal information provided to the FCC by the telecom industry.

In an attempt to eliminate the fictitious “unreasonable barriers” to entry into the cable market, and to encourage investment in broadband facilities, the FCC ordered: that franchising negotiations that extend beyond certain time frames amount to an unreasonable refusal to award a competitive franchise within the meaning of Section 621(a)(1); that requiring an applicant to agree to unreasonable build-out requirements constitutes an unreasonable refusal to award a competitive franchise; that, unless certain specified costs, fees, and other compensation required by local franchising authorities are counted toward the statutory five percent cap on franchise fees, demanding them could result in an unreasonable refusal to award a competitive franchise; that it would be an unreasonable refusal to award a competitive franchise if the local

franchising authority denied an application based on a new entrant’s refusal to undertake certain unreasonable obligations relating to public, educational, and governmental (“PEG”) and institutional networks (“I-Nets”); and they preempted local laws, regulations, and requirements, including local level-playing-field provisions, to the extent they impose greater restrictions on market entry than the rules adopted herein.

The FCC concluded that although the record allows it to determine generally what constitutes an “unreasonable refusal to award an additional competitive franchise” at the local level, the Commission does not have sufficient information to make such determinations with respect to franchising decisions made at the state level or in compliance with state statutory directives, such as statewide franchising decisions. As a result, the Order addressed only decisions made by county- or municipal-level franchising authorities.

The FCC also adopted a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in which it seeks comment on how its findings in the Order should affect existing franchisees, tentatively concludes that the findings should apply to existing franchisees at the time of their next franchise renewal process, and seeks comment on the Commission’s statutory authority to take this action.

NACo and the other national associations representing local governments are pursuing legal remedies both at the FCC and in the courts. (Contact: Jeff Arnold, NACo Deputy Legislative Director, (202) 942-4286 or [jarnold@naco.org](mailto:jarnold@naco.org))

#### CHILD SUPPORT FUNDING RESTORATION

CCAO has joined together with the Ohio CSEA Directors Association, the Ohio Job and Family Services Directors Association, and the Public Children Services Association of Ohio to support the federal Child Support Protection Act of 2007. Last year, in the Deficit Reduction Act, Congress eliminated a provision of law that allowed county

agencies to use child support earned initiatives for local match. In 2005, this law allowed states nationwide to collect \$23 billion to serve 16 million children and their families, with Ohio alone collecting over \$2 billion.

As a result of this action, the child support enforcement system in Ohio is on the brink of losing approximately \$60 million. These moneys are needed in order to continue our progress in collecting support payments and provide other needed services, such as day care assistance, food stamps, and housing and utility assistance, to over 1.3 million children and their families in our state. This funding reduction will cause a very large loss of available staff to establish and enforce parentage, cash, and medical support orders, as well as burden pursuing new initiatives to continue improving our program.

This cut in federal funding will occur on October 1 unless Congress takes action to remedy the situation. While Ohio's program has improved tremendously and is performing at a very high level, our current funding sources have either stagnated or been reduced. With the struggling Ohio economy, expectations of the state or county governments to fill these tremendous financial losses are unrealistic.

Fortunately, Congressman James McDermott (D-WA) and Senator Jay Rockefeller (D-WV) have introduced companion bills to address this funding loss. These bills would restore funding that keeps hundreds of thousands of families on the path toward self sufficiency and parental responsibility. However, we need your help. Please let Senators George Voinovich and Sherrod Brown and your Member of Congress know that you support H.R. 1386 and S. 803. Please contact Beth Dominic, CCAO Policy Analyst, at (614) 220-7996, (888) 757-1904 or [bdominic@ccao.org](mailto:bdominic@ccao.org).

## **NACo ACTIVITIES**

### ANNUAL SMOKE-FREE COUNTY CHALLENGE

It's time for the Annual NACo Smoke-Free County Challenge. To protect children from secondhand

smoke, NACo is challenging counties to collect the most signed Smoke-Free pledge cards. The cards ask the signer not to smoke, or allow others to smoke, around children. NACo conducts the annual Challenge in collaboration with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and their Smoke-Free Homes Pledge Campaign which focuses on children and secondhand smoke (also known as environmental tobacco smoke).

Participating counties will collect pledges from March 1 through May 31, 2007. This year, participating counties may also collect pledges online at NACo's website - [www.naco.org](http://www.naco.org). You'll be able to collect even more pledges by sending out electronic announcements and driving your residents to the site, and be able to know the results of your efforts whenever you want them! For further details on this new feature and to register your county for the 2007 Smoke-Free County Challenge contact Kelly Zonderwyk, Senior Associate - Community Services, (202) 942.4224, fax (202) 737-0480 or [kzonderwyk@naco.org](mailto:kzonderwyk@naco.org). You must register your county by March 31, 2007 in order to participate in the 2007 Challenge.

Congratulations to Licking County - the first Ohio county to sign up for the 2007 NACo Smoke-Free Challenge!

### SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES AWARD PROGRAM

Every two years, the Sustainable Communities Awards Program recognizes outstanding urban, suburban, and rural counties whose innovative collaborations are leading the effort to create sustainable communities through economic enhancement, environmental stewardship, and social responsibility. This county led awards program honors creative partnerships in developing sustainable communities. Applications are due May 11, 2007. For more information please contact Casey Dillon at (202) 942-4243, [cdillon@naco.org](mailto:cdillon@naco.org) or [www.naco.org/sustainable](http://www.naco.org/sustainable).

## **SEMINARS/WORKSHOPS**

### **INTEROPERABILITY POLICY ACADEMY**

NACo, in collaboration with the National League of Cities (NLC), is hosting a two-day Interoperability Policy Academy in Ramsey County (St. Paul), Minn. on May 17–18, 2007. County and City officials — both in elected and management positions — are invited to attend the Interoperability Academy as a team of up to four people. All expenses for participation (travel, housing, meals) are paid by NACo through a grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

This two-day academy, which focus on policy-level issues and concerns, will help county, city, and municipal officials address challenges to achieving communications interoperability at the local level, as well as address how to become involved in statewide planning efforts. At least one elected official, plus representatives from agencies or departments may compose the team. Variety in composition of the team across technical disciplines and jurisdictions (county & city combination) is a plus. All expenses (travel, accommodations, meals) for selected team members will be paid or reimbursed by NACo through a grant provided by the Department of Homeland Security.

The academy will address important questions about interoperability planning and participants will learn how to advocate for and implement actions related to governance, procedures, technology, training & exercises, and usage of voice and data equipment in a seamless manner in real-time. This is not a technical training seminar. More information and the application as well as tentative agenda is at [www.naco.org](http://www.naco.org) >> Technical Assistance and Training >> Homeland Security.

### **ASSET MANAGEMENT, BUDGETING AND RATE SETTING FOR LOCAL OFFICIALS**

The Ohio Rural Community Assistance Program (RCAP) is offering a one-day seminar on “Asset

Management, Budgeting and Rate Setting for Local Officials,” at several locations throughout Ohio. This course will cover the basics of how to prepare an asset management plan, how to develop a meaningful budget and prepare useful budget reports, and how to establish a rate structure based on the budget that is equitable to customers while meeting the system’s financial needs. This course is provided by the Ohio EPA Division of Drinking and Ground Waters.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. The course starts at 9:00 a.m. and ends by 4:00 p.m. Registration fee: NO COST to participants. Course materials and lunch will be provided. Pre-registration is necessary. Space is limited.

#### Training Dates and Locations:

- March 29 - Ohio Department of Agriculture, 8995 East Main Street, Reynoldsburg
- April 24 - Allen County Sanitary Engineer, 3230 North Cole Street, Lima
- April 26 - Southern State College - South Campus, 12681 U.S. Route 62, Sardinia
- May 1 - Buckeye Hills-Hocking Valley RDD, 1400 Pike Street, Marietta
- May 17 - Columbiana Public Library, 322 North Middle Street, Columbiana
- May 24 - Ashland County/West Holmes Career Center, 1783 S.R. 60, Ashland

For more information please contact Nadine Thompson at Ohio RCAP, (419) 332-2056 or (800) 775-9767. To register online visit [www.glracap.org/ohio](http://www.glracap.org/ohio).

## **CLASSIFIEDS**

### **CLERK**

Job Responsibilities: Under direction, maintains the full record for the Board of Commissioners which will include but not be limited to 1) schedule meetings and arrange agenda for Board; 2) attend regular and special sessions of the Board; 3) record minutes of meetings; 4) prepare proclamations, resolutions and



correspondences; 5) keep a variety of indices and journals of official Board action; and 6) perform a variety of administrative and clerical duties for the Board. The Board Clerk will also assist the County Administrator with the day-to-day operations of Fulton County and the statutory obligations of the Board as assigned. A full position description is available upon request.

Qualifications: The successful candidate is expected to be a self directed, organized, quick learner, take charge person willing to work cooperatively with elected officials, department heads, and the general public. Skills will also include general use of Microsoft computer products, creation of original documentation, and the ability to acquire a working knowledge of applicable Federal, State, and Local laws. The successful candidate must maintain a valid Ohio driver's license, be willing to continue education through job-related courses, and have the ability to occasionally work extended hours and/or irregular hours. A college degree in a job related field is expected but a high school degree with five (5) years of demonstrated and qualified job related experience may substitute for higher education. Government experience is preferred but not required. Must possess or be able to obtain Notary Public commission.

Method Of Application And Deadline: All interested applicants must submit a resume or application to the Fulton County Board of Commissioners, 152 S. Fulton Street, Wauseon, Ohio 43567 between the hours of 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday-Friday. An application is available at [www.fultoncountyoh.com](http://www.fultoncountyoh.com). Applications and/or resumes must be postmarked by March 26, 2007 or delivered to the Board office by 4:30 p.m. on **March 27, 2007**. EOE.

### WATER/WASTEWATER DIRECTOR

Licking County Board of Commissioners is accepting applications for a Water/Wastewater Director in the Water/Wastewater Department. This position is responsible for planning, directing, and administering the operations of the County Water/Wastewater

Department. Candidates must possess a Bachelor's Degree in a related field and 10 years experience to include the responsibility for managing the fiscal aspects of an organization, supervising subordinates, developing and implementing policies, programs, laws, rules and/or regulations. Certification in Water/Wastewater is desired.

Starting range \$55,000 - \$68,000. Successful candidates will be subject to Licking County's pre-employment drug screen. A complete job posting can be obtained by visiting our website [www.lcounty.com](http://www.lcounty.com) or visiting the Human Resources Department. Applications can be printed from the web site at [www.lcounty.com](http://www.lcounty.com) or can be picked up at: Licking County Human Resources Department, 20 South Second Street - 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Newark OH 43055. EOE

#### **CLASSIFIED ADS**

CCAO publishes the County Information and Data Service (CIDS) weekly. Classified ads will be published free of charge as a service to counties. Ads will run for two weeks if space is available. Please provide faxed or e-mailed copy of the classified ad by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday of each week. Transmit the copy to Mary Jane Neiman, CCAO Public Relations Associate, via fax at (614) 221-6986 or e-mail [mjneiman@ccao.org](mailto:mjneiman@ccao.org).

