

## COMMISSIONERS MEETING – MONDAY, APRIL 19, 2004

Sharon A. Ray called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. with Patricia G. Geissman and Stephen D. Hambley present.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Prayer.

Approval of the April 12 minutes was tabled at this time.

Doug King, Administrative Assistant in the County Engineer's Office, presented resolutions authorizing participation in the ODOT Cooperative Purchasing Program and lifting the weight limit reduction on improved county and township roads. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve both resolutions; Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Commissioners reviewed the weekly permits list.

Chris Jakab, Finance Director, presented and reviewed resolutions amending the annual appropriations by increasing/decreasing appropriations, various fund transfers, expenditure adjustments for various county funds, authorizing the expenditures related to an Office for Older Adults sponsored Senior Day, advertising for proposals for WIA Youth Services for Workforce Development, approving an agreement with Litchfield Veterinary Clinic for dog spay & neuter services for the Animal Shelter, approving a lease renewal amendment with the Battered Women's Shelter of Summit & Medina County Inc., and the weekly bills in the amount of \$755,180.92. The Office for Older Adults will be holding Senior Day on May 18. They will be using money from their Donation Fund for programming, food and decorations. The current WIA Youth Services contract expires June 30. The proposals will be for one year with an option second year. Litchfield Veterinary Clinic has asked to be added to the list of veterinarians doing spay & neuter services for the Animal Shelter. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the 8 resolutions and payment of the bills; Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Gary Berkowitz, Human Resources Director, presented and reviewed the personnel resolution. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the personnel changes; Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

John Stricker, County Administrator, had no resolutions today.

Jim Troike, Assistant Sanitary Engineer, presented 6 resolutions involving accepting and awarding the proposal of Liberty Tire Services of Ohio for collection & final disposal of whole waste tires for the Solid Waste District, authorizing a cooperative agreement for the S.R. 57 and S.R. 162 intersection waterline relocation and the Poe, Hamilton & Hamlin Roads waterline construction with the Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA), obtaining 2 easements for various sanitary sewer and water improvement projects, authorizing a change order for the Foskett, Station & Beck Roads waterline project, authorizing a change order for the S.R. 18 waterline relocation project, and accepting property through a quit-claim deed from Stor-It of Medina for the replacement of the Brookdale Mobile Home Park sanitary lift station. Liberty Tire Services will shred the waste tires to be used as a fuel supplement and for use as pellet material for playgrounds. The change order for the Foskett, Station & Beck Roads waterline is with Medina Excavating for a deduction of \$91,950.63. The change order for the S.R. 18 waterline relocation is with Northeast Ohio Trenching for a deduction of \$22,419.15. The quit-claim deed is for .13 acres behind the county's lift station property. An easement was requested for this and Stor-It of Medina gave the land to the county instead. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the 6 resolutions; Seconded by Mr. Hambley.

Mrs. Geissman asked if Stor-It is exchanging the land in order to pay for the lift station.

Jim stated that it is not an exchange. The land is at the back of our lift station and the county has to improve the lift station to service the area. Stor-It is giving the land instead of granting an easement.

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Mr. Hambley added that the lift station needs to be expanded to service Brookdale, the university and technology park property and the Dover development in the area.

There was no further discussion.

Roll Call on the motion and second to approve Sanitary Engineer's 6 resolutions showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mike Pataky, Child Support Enforcement Agency Director, stated that they have been experiencing changes in personnel at the agency as well as enacting part of their reorganization. They are looking for another Hearing Officer for their administrative hearings and reviewing their office space to make room for another hearing room. This should help the staff and clients with the handling of child support hearings as well as Domestic Relations Court.

Ms. Ray believes the additional Hearing Officer will help their office a lot.

Patrice Theken, Department of Planning Services Director, stated that Mike Kovack, County Auditor, talked at last Friday's zoning inspector meeting about CAUV and then there was a discussion about agricultural uses. The discussion was helpful to the zoning members that were present and they plan to continue the discussion in June. At the June 14 zoning inspection meeting Buck Adams, EMA Director, will be doing a walking tour of the Gloria Glens/Chippewa Lake are. This Thursday the zoning workshop will be about conducting public meetings as well as hearing conducted by zoning commissions and boards of appeal. They will hold mock trials after the discussion. The Planning Commission has initiated changes to the Subdivision Regulations and they will be holding a hearing on the proposed changes on June 2. The applications for the comprehensive planning grant have been sent to the local entities and they have a deadline of June 18 for return. A grant assistance meeting will be held on May 27 for those with questions or for information about the grant process. A handout that was given to zoning inspectors was distributed to the Commissioners. Through a brief discussion, Patrice agreed their meeting room is close to capacity during the meetings, noting that they consistently have 45-50 people at their workshops.

Art Verdoorn, Building Official, presented and reviewed their report for March. They issued 73 new home permits versus 80 being issued last March. The year-to-date numbers show 184 permits issued in 2004 and 182 being issued during the same time period of 2003, which indicates the year is still going at a record pace. The commercial construction is up 3 times over last March, which is mostly due to 2 large projects, WalMart in Wadsworth and Northside Christian Church in Sharon. Revenues were up partially due to the increase in permits issued, but also because the rate increase was effective March 1. The decline in the size of new homes appears to have stabilized, but there are some significantly sized houses coming in. The Residential Code of Ohio has been received and there were some extensive changes made in making this a statewide code. A lot of the Ohio Code is a duplicate of our county code. There are meetings set up with local building officials as well as builders and architects to review the new state code. One of our Plans Examiner's gives a college course on the National Residential Code and Art will be meeting with him next week to review the differences with our code. They are also planning a seminar to review the code. We have until August 14 to have the state code adopted to keep our insurance rating down.

John Jones, Transportation Services Director, presented and reviewed their statistics for March. Overall ridership was at 10,873 in March for a total of 28,486 year-to-date. They had total passenger miles of 86,645 and vehicles miles of 71,081, and used 8,529.4 gallons of fuel. The trip denial rate was 1.98%. There were no vehicle or passenger accidents, and they had 8 customer complaints. The billing accuracy was 99.959% and the operating ratio was 61.48%. The cost per mile was \$1.27 and the cost per passenger was \$8.33. The "L" ridership was a little better in March. He noted that they have ordered new business and expect delivery in October. He has received word from the State that they will be facing a 6% cut in operating and 10% cut for equipment next year. They will have to look at service reductions with these cuts.

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Ms. Ray presented and reviewed a resolution approving the appointment of Bill Crumley to the Tax Incentive Review Council for the City of Wadsworth's Community Reinvestment Area. Mr. Crumley is filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of Thomas O'Neill. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the appointment; Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Ms. Ray presented and reviewed a resolution appointing Susan Likovich as a Commissioners' representative with Michael Maracz and Anthony Kibogo as alternates to MCDAC with their terms expiring December 31, 2006. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the appointments; Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Ms. Ray presented a resolution proclaiming April 18-25 as "American Home Week". Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the proclamation; Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

The meeting was opened for public comment.

Glenn Sheller, Guilford Township Trustee, stated that on April 12 the Village of Seville passed a resolution rejected the annexation of 183 acres from Guilford Township to the Village.

Through discussion, it was noted that this is a pending annexation petition that is scheduled to be heard by Commissioners May 24.

The Clerk read the resolution to allow expenses of county officials. Mrs. Geissman moved to allow the expenses; Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

At 10:02 a.m. Mrs. Geissman moved to recess into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel/compensation; Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Commissioners reconvened the meeting at 1:30 p.m. for the discussion session.

Mr. Hambley stated that Tom James, Park District Director, has talked about the property with the pond across from the County Home. The Park District worked on cleaning it up last year and had some success. They would like to have that property and there will be no buildings on that site. He has talked with Joyce Farnsworth and Lynn Remington from the County Home and they have no problems with transferring this property.

John Stricker added that the county is not in a position to maintain the pond.

Mr. Hambley stated that Tom is willing to pay half of the surveying costs, and there would not be any other costs associated with transferring the land.

It was agreed to proceed with a survey and the transfer of the land.

Ms. Ray noted that 2 applications were received for the Commercial Board of Building Appeals. She would like Art Verdoorn to be present when the Commissioners interview the individuals. The Clerk was asked to set up the interview appointments.

Through questioning, Chris Jakab stated that he has talked with the company last week regarding an on-line auction. They are going to try selling some sample items, such as an old washer, dryer and range. There was a brief discussion with Joan Heller, Auditor's Office, regarding a Jeter file from their office. Chris will work with Joan about including the file.

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Mrs. Geissman asked if there was any word from the Auditor about proposed moves since the Board of Elections has moved out of the Administration Building.

Joan stated that she has a letter from Mike Kovack, Auditor, stating that he is not interested in the space.

There was a brief discussion that the Recorder's Office would be moved to that space and the Auditor's one office on the first floor would then be moved to the third floor.

Mrs. Geissman noted that approval was received from the PUCO to proceed with the 3 railroad crossing improvements. They are working with the 2 townships involved to get required resolutions passed.

There was no further business before the Board for discussion.

Mr. Hambley moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:40 p.m.; Seconded by Mrs. Geissman. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

**RESOLUTIONS PASSED:**

- 04-0307                    RESOLUTION TO ALLOW CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE UPON THE TREASURER  
IN SETTLEMENT OF SUCH LIST OF CLAIMS
  
- 04-0308                    RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL 18-25, 2004 AS "AMERICAN HOME WEEK"
  
- 04-0309                    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO  
PARTICIPATE IN ODOT COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM
  
- 04-0310                    RESOLUTION LIFTING THE WEIGHT LIMIT REDUCTION ON IMPROVED COUNTY AND  
TOWNSHIP ROADS
  
- 04-0311                    RESOLUTION AMENDING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION
  
- 04-0312                    TRANSFER OF COUNTY GENERAL FUNDS TO THE COUNTY DIVERSION PROGRAM
  
- 04-0313                    CASH TRANSFER TO THE CRIPPLED CHILDREN'S HEALTH FUND
  
- 04-0314                    AUTHORIZING CASH TRANSFER FOR THE COUNTY HOME LEVY FUND
  
- 04-0315                    EXPENDITURE ADJUSTMENTS FOR VARIOUS COUNTY FUNDS

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- 04-0316 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURES RELATED TO AN OFFICE FOR OLDER ADULTS SPONSORED SENIOR DAY
  
- 04-0317 AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR PROPOSALS FOR WIA YOUTH SERVICES FOR THE MEDINA COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE
  
- 04-0318 RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH LITCHFIELD VETERINARY CLINIC FOR DOG SPAY & NEUTER SERVICES FOR THE MEDINA COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER
  
- 04-0319 RESOLUTION APPROVING PERSONNEL CHANGES FOR THE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
  
- 04-0320 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND AWARDING THE PROPOSAL OF LIBERTY TIRE SERVICES OF OHIO, LLC FOR THE COLLECTION AND FINAL DISPOSAL OF WHOLE WASTE TIRES WITHIN THE MEDINA COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT
  
- 04-0321 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT...S.R.57 & S.R. 162 INTERSECTION WATERLINE RELOCATION AND POE, HAMILTON & HAMLIN ROADS WATERLINE CONSTRUCTION AND THE OHIO WATER DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
  
- 04-0322 AUTHORIZING THE SANITARY ENGINEER TO OBTAIN EASEMENTS FOR VARIOUS SANITARY SEWER AND WATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS
  
- 04-0323 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #2 FINAL ADJUSTING CHANGE ORDER FOR THE FOSKETT, STATION AND BECK ROADS WATERLINE PROJECT MCSE #W-500/00-5.1.57
  
- 04-0324 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #1 FINAL ADJUSTING CHANGE ORDER FOR THE S.R.18 WATERLINE RELOCATION PROJECT MCSE #WR-500/00-7.2
  
- 04-0325 ACCEPTING PROPERTY THROUGH A QUIT-CLAIM DEED FROM STOR-IT OF MEDINA TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE BROOKDALE MOBILE HOME PARK SANITARY LIFT STATION
  
- 04-0326 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER TO THE TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF WADSWORTH'S COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA
  
- 04-0327 RESOLUTION APPOINTING A REPRESENTATIVE AND TWO ALTERNATES FOR THE MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO THE MEDINA COUNTY DRUG ABUSE COMMISSION (MCDAC)
  
- 04-0328 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW EXPENSES OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

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MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

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Sharon A. Ray

Respectfully submitted,

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Patricia G. Geissman

Pamela J. Terrill, Clerk

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Stephen D. Hambley