

COMMISSIONERS MEETING – MONDAY, AUGUST 18, 2003

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

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

At the beginning of the meeting the oral reading of the August 11 minutes was dispensed with. Each Commissioner has read them personally. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the minutes; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Doug King, Administrative Assistant in the County Engineer's Office, presented resolutions to extend the completion date of the resurfacing of Grafton and Sleepy Hollow Roads contract due to the rain, accepting and awarding the bid for the hot mix resurfacing of W. 130th Street to Kokosing, approving the final plat and approving the annual assessments & creation of a public watercourse for Windy Hill Estates Phase II in Wadsworth Township. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the 4 resolutions; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Commissioners reviewed the weekly permits list.

Dave Miller, County Engineer, noted that they lost a dump truck last month after an altercation with a train. They are going through the State Cooperative Purchasing to replace this truck so they can have it by the second part of the snow season. Through questioning, he stated that accident occurred at the Spencer Lake Road crossing.

Chris Jakab, Finance Director, presented resolutions amending the appropriations by increasing and decreasing appropriations, various fund transfers, purchasing fuel for the Highway Garage from Ports Petroleum, and the weekly bills in the amount of \$663,709.73. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the 6 resolutions and payment of the bills; Seconded by Ms. Ray. 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 Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

John Stricker, County Administrator, presented a resolution to accept and award the bids for the Board of Elections renovations. There were 11 companies that submitted bids. The architect's estimate for the project was \$153,000. The award for the general contract is to Marshall Construction and for the electrical to Ellis Brothers Electric for a total of \$116,720. The lease for the space being renovated has been signed by the Board of Elections and the Health Department has authorized 3 members to sign the lease. The award is subject to receiving a signed copy of the lease. Mrs. Geissman moved to accept and award the bid subject to receipt of a signed lease; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Ken Hotz, Sanitary Engineer, presented a resolution approving a change order for the Foskett, Station and Beck Roads waterline project. This line was extended at the request of property owners for a cost of \$27,000. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the change order; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Ken presented a resolution awarding the bid for powdered activated carbon for use at the Liverpool Wastewater Treatment Plant. The low bidder had never been heard of before and they provided carbon for use at the plant to make sure it would work properly. The carbon has been used and is working fine. The bid was a 25% savings over what has been paid for carbon in the past. The resolution extends the award for the remainder of this year and through next year. Mrs. Geissman moved to award the bid; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mr. Hambley noted that the water crew did a great job over the weekend in keeping water supplied in the area. There were many restraints in areas and he is grateful for their quick response in getting the boiling alert out and in having it lifted.

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Patrice Theken, Department of Planning Services Director, presented and reviewed a resolution proclaiming November as Planning Month with November 7th being Planning Day in Medina County. An open house will be held on the 7th by the department. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the proclamation; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Patrice noted that their last joint zoning assistance meeting was held last Thursday. They had a good turnout although it was lower than expected due to the power outage.

Patrice presented amendment for the operating policies and procedures. Every year the Planning Commission is obligated to review these and make recommendations for any changes. Between the staff and the Commissioner there are some amendments basically for clarification purposes and to specify the Planning Department services to municipalities and townships. They also added a mission statement as Section A1. She noted that similar revisions are being made to their bylaws. The procedure for approval is that the Planning Commission reviews the amendments and recommends them to the Commissioners for approval. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the amendments; Seconded by Ms. Ray.

Mr. Hambley noted that the resolution number for the approval by the Planning Commission of the policies and procedures is not listed and should be added on page 2.

There was no further discussion.

Roll Call on the motion and second to approve the amendments to the operating policies and procedures showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Art Verdoorn, Building Official, presented and reviewed the July report. Single family home construction continues as it has and commercial is still declining. Regarding the size and cost of a new home, the records show that in July 2002 they issued 90 permits versus 101 permits being issued and the receipts show that the revenue is close at \$27,300 for 2002 and \$27,200 for 2003. This indicates the square footage in total is staying the same. The increase in first time homebuyers is due to the interest rates. Their biggest impact on them has been in commercial, which is about half of what they had last year. The year-to-date figures show the residential receipts are up a little but the commercial is down about 2/3. The National Home Builders feel that by 2004 they will be back to the 2001 level in commercial.

Mr. Hambley stated that building in Brunswick Hills Township jumped a lot in the last month.

Art noted that Pulte Homes is doing a lot of construction there.

John Jones, Transportation Services Director, reviewed the performance figures for July. There was a good increase in the "L" ridership with the new scheduling, but it is still down from last year. The "L" is still down about 6% over last year's totals. Total ridership was at 10,066, which is a .37% increase. The buses traveled 64,774 miles and used 7,629 gallons of fuel for a fleet miles-per-gallon of 8.49. They had one vehicle accident and 7 customer complaints in July. The complaints were mostly due to weather condition affects on the schedules. The billing accuracy was 99.956% and the fare box recovery rate was 89.62%. The July receipts were up because some June receipts were not received until early July. The operating expenses were at \$80,221 for a cost per mile of \$1.238. The on-time performance was at 94.37% and the cost per passenger was \$7.97. They had problems with 2 wheelchair lifts last month.

John reported that he had to file a response to the draft performance review by ODOT. That was sent out on Saturday. After ODOT reviews the response a meeting will be scheduled in late September to review the final review. He also noted that there was an accident involving a motorcycle and car last week and the motorcycle and rider were thrown into a Transit bus. The bus was not directly involved in the accident.

Mead Wilkins, Job & Family Services Director, presented information on the participation rates for those receiving cash assistance that are required to work. They have 200 OWF cash cases with 72% participation rate. This is the highest participation rate in Northeast

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Ohio. The State requires 55% participation. He also presented a graph showing the number of participants in the children's medical coverage, Healthy Start, noting that there has been a substantial increase. Also presented was a graph on the food stamp program for the last 12 months, noting that 1/3 of those receiving assistance are elderly. They had 610 new intakes last month and have been averaging between 500 and 700 per month.

Mead presented a resolution authorizing a fiscal agreement with the Ohio Department of Job & Family Services. This has been done every 2 years to allow for the money to come from the State to the County. This year they split the agreement in half. The resolution simply says the County will get money from the State. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the agreement; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mead presented a resolution terminating a contract with Northland Counseling and a resolution authorizing the advertisement for proposals for consulting clinician services. Northland Counseling had been handling these services and is unable to continue. The first resolution terminates the contract with Northland while the second resolution allows the department to advertise for proposals. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve both resolutions; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mead presented a resolution to allow expenses relating to a cooperative Leadership program with Lorain County. This is an enhanced program for those that have completed the beginning Leadership training. Mrs. Geissman moved to allow these expenses; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mr. Hambley presented commendation resolutions for Andrew Michael Grills, Ryan Lloyd Hoover and Ian Clark Wetherholt on receiving Eagle Scout Awards. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the commendations; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mr. Hambley presented a resolution appointing members to the Local Emergency Planning Committee. Mark Albrecht is being appointed to replace Kenneth Albrecht and Jim Bigam is being appointed. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the appointments; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mr. Hambley stated that the Board had a notice of an Expedited Type 2 annexation petition that was filed with the office. The petition is for 22.4166 acres from Medina Township to the City of Medina. The petition is scheduled for review on September 15.

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

Mr. Hambley noted that a press release was received from the Ohio Department of Development stating that 3 Ohio counties are to receive grants for fair housing. Medina County will be receiving \$10,000 to design a website, distribute promotional items and for a workshop.

Mr. Hambley stated that the discussion session was being moved to the morning as Mrs. Geissman is leaving for a conference this afternoon. There was a brief discussion and it was agreed to hold the discussion following the scheduled Executive Session.

The meeting was opened for public comment and there was no one present wishing to comment.

Mrs. Geissman moved to recess into Executive Session to discuss litigation; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Commissioners reconvened the meeting at 10:46 a.m. for the discussion session.

Sheriff Neil Hassinger and Chief Tom Miller were present to discuss the charges for dispatch. Brunswick City is handling the dispatching for Brunswick Hills and Hinckley

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Townships and there is talk that 3 townships are currently negotiating with Medina City, which will affect the resources for the Sheriff's dispatch.

Through discussion it was noted that currently we charge approximately \$21 per call and Brunswick charges \$5 per call. If the other 3 townships pull out the Sheriff could get by with less employees, but unemployment would have to be paid for those employees that would be let go. Sheriff Hassinger is not sure how Brunswick is keeping their charges so low other than by subsidizing their dispatch as their salaries are close to our dispatcher salaries. Medina City is already handling dispatch for Montville fire & rescue as well as their own officers, fire and rescue.

Chris Jakab noted that our charges include uniforms and some miscellaneous non-personnel costs, with the total being less than \$10,000. He met with Tom Miller and Twila Schmidt a couple months ago and told them at that time that the general fund was subsidizing those outside agencies as the call activity swayed towards non-Sheriff calls with the general fund paying more than 50% of the costs. In the past year there appears to be a switch on the call activities and Twila provided the call activity record for the last 6 months that shows that is switching with the Sheriff's call activities now being more than 50%. This will automatically reduce costs for townships/villages, but he's not sure by how much. He agreed the cost is recalculated every year by using the actual call activity from the previous year. We are picking up all of the costs for the Highway Patrol (cell phones) and dispatching of ambulances for them. He also discussed with Tom the possibility of a clerical person assuming some of the workload.

Tom added that the day-shift work, such as warrants for the courts, could possibly be done by non-dispatch personnel.

Chris feels that Medina will need to add staff if they take over dispatching. The 3 townships being discussed are large users, noting that Medina Township, which now has a full time department, is the largest and was billed over \$60,000.

John Stricker added that he's not sure Medina realizes the amount of work involved with dispatching for those townships.

Sheriff Hassinger stated that the City has requested the call activity records involved.

Chris will look at this closer with Tom to see what they can come up with.

Mr. Hambley presented an employee request for withdrawal of their CCAO Deferred Compensation money due to financial hardship. It is the recommendation of the program administrator to allow for a partial distribution. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the partial distribution; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Ms. Ray asked if there was anything further received from Medina Hospital relative to their request for assistance in expanding their morgue.

John stated that they were asked to get actual figures together and to make a proposal. They have not submitted any papers.

Mrs. Geissman stated that the only thing that I had here was the draft that John drew up for us and I guess Sharon was the only one that hadn't responded back to him and she made a comment to me just before we came out.

John presented a new draft letter; everyone read the new draft.

Mrs. Geissman stated okay, Sharon, what are you having a problem with?

Ms. Ray stated I just don't think a formal policy is called for.

Mrs. Geissman stated I don't know that it's a policy; maybe that's what we need to change here; in fact, there was a word here.

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Ms. Ray stated I guess I was under the assumption that if one of the 3 of us asked for a letter from one of the department heads that as a courtesy that one would give it to the other 2; just an agreement between the 3 of us; I wouldn't feel comfortable sending this out to the department heads.

Mr. Hambley stated department heads; let's be specific, department heads and independent boards that we happen to provide either membership to or funding.

Mrs. Geissman stated well that is what we discussed last week; and establishing a policy, I don't know that we need to do that but I think as a courtesy, and I think that's what Bill (Thorne) was saying that as a courtesy if one or more Commissioners names is mentioned in a letter to the editor that a Commissioner has requested that we all see it before it's sent out.

Ms. Ray stated I think we can just all 3 agree among us to do that; I mean if you request a letter and it comes in I would have no problem giving a copy to you or Steve before; kind of let you know what's going in the paper and get your input; but I don't know if we need to put anything in writing and submit it.

Mrs. Geissman stated well I felt last week you did, Sharon, feel (that way).

Ms. Ray stated no I never said I wanted anything in writing; I said as a courtesy; I didn't expect that we would go to a policy.

Mr. Hambley stated here we're setting up a whole procedure for review; in other words, it will be placed with the Clerk prior to Friday at noon; Clerk provide copies in each of our packets and then we would then review it.

Mrs. Geissman stated I don't care if we do that either; you know, John had it in there and I thought well if nobody else complains I won't complain; but I think we do need to see any letter that a Commissioner has asked anyone that we fund to see a letter if one or more Commissioners' names are mentioned in it; I think that is a courtesy and we would certainly be able to review if there is political issues involved; and stop that kind of thing from going to the press with a department heads name.

Mr. Hambley stated it doesn't stop anything.

Mrs. Geissman stated if I had talked to Mike (Jenks) and told him how I felt I'm sure he wouldn't have sent that letter.

Mr. Hambley stated well I'm sure too; I'm certain because he never interpreted it, nor did I, John has already indicated he didn't interpret it the same way you did; and I think he would have worded it differently had he known.

Mrs. Geissman stated well I don't know how.

Mr. Hambley stated he had forwarded; you may be the only one that I've talked to, seems to be, that took that letter that way; but I think he did essentially forward it to John for his review and comments; that was a courtesy on his part; now, I don't have any problem with something like this for our own departments, asking our department heads, that if we're asking them to do a letter talking about county government and, they would probably normally do that anyway; so that's fine; but when we start talking about independent boards, just because we provide some level of funding, some of it very little.

Mrs. Geissman stated that I guess the point is if a Commissioner calls someone and we are funding them it would be very difficult for that department head to say no and still stay in favor, or fear of staying in favor.

Mr. Hambley stated that's not true.

Mrs. Geissman stated yes it is.

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Mr. Hambley stated that's not true; some of this we provide, maybe it's a matter of membership, maybe it's a matter of so little funding; okay, the Fair Board, what's our general fund allocation to the Fair Board?

Mrs. Geissman stated we've got that down to where we have to by state law.

Chris stated \$3300.

Mr. Hambley stated \$3300, that's going to influence them if we were going to ask them to speak about a specific issue regarding some public issue regarding the Fair Board's relationship or the Commissioners and the funding that the Commissioners have provided over a period of time, that's fine; frankly, if they want to do it that's fine; I don't think they'd say we better do it because we'll lose the \$3300.

Mrs. Geissman stated, Steve, I think all department heads politically want to stay in favor.

Mr. Hambley stated why do you keep saying department heads because we're not just talking about our departments; we're talking about independent boards.

Mrs. Geissman stated anyone that we fund; anyone that we give funding to, I think, has, I think there is a concern that if you lean on them to write a letter that they would not be able to say no to you because they get funding from us; and that's the point I'm trying to make; and that's the point that was made to me by one of the first phone calls I got; you do fund them don't you; it is a concern.

Ms. Ray stated I don't think we want to do anything that's going to be perceived as limiting anyone's first amendment right to free speech, and that's what bothers me about all of this.

Mrs. Geissman stated that's not what I think we're doing here; I think just to have the courtesy, and I think Bill made that very clear last week, that we cannot do anything to cause a problem with their first amendment rights.

Mr. Hambley stated you're asking for us to review prior to them even sending it to a newspaper; not as a courtesy after they've sent it.

Mrs. Geissman stated yes, send it as a courtesy.

Mr. Hambley asked to be reviewed by the full board?

Mrs. Geissman replied yes.

Mr. Hambley stated that's prior restraint; you can't even do that for free speech.

Mrs. Geissman stated well I think that's what Bill said we could do as a courtesy and I think that's why John followed through and wrote this based on what Bill told us; Frank?

Frank Gasper, Assistant Prosecutor, stated I'm not up-to-date on this one.

Ms. Ray stated when we had talked about it being a courtesy, I thought the understanding was it was going to be a courtesy among us 3; that was my understanding; I didn't anticipate policy and procedure sent to everyone that accepts any funding from the Commissioners; I'm just very uncomfortable with that.

Mrs. Geissman stated that's not what I read in the minutes; reading from minutes, "if someone writes a letter and we don't know about it, it's going to go in, it certainly has its right to go in, but if we request something it would probably be a nice courtesy just to, if the others had gotten a letter before it went in since it was addressing a specific issue on behalf of the Board of Commissioners position; and just try to follow that in the future so we don't have this come up again"; there was something else I read here, Sharon; but we were definitely talking about writing a letter out to the department heads and you were in favor of that last week.

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Ms. Ray stated I'm sorry I must have misunderstood.

Mrs. Geissman stated so you're saying you're not in favor because Steve certainly wasn't in favor of it.

Ms. Ray stated I think an agreement between the 3 of us is sufficient if we specifically ask someone to write a letter; if we don't and they write a letter, well, that's their right as an American; I don't think we need to get involved in, I guess we'd have to address it if there were some specific untruths going on in the letter; but I just think an agreement between the 3 of us is sufficient.

Mr. Hambley stated I agree; frankly on this one I approached Mike (Jenks), as you know because of some damaging statements made by a prior contractor regarding our fair housing approach in the county, particularly in regards to the mental health; and I asked Mike if he was comfortable, and if he wasn't comfortable, I'd talk to one of his board members, because of this relationship that Commissioners, we are providing funding, there's no doubt; I said if you're not comfortable, but I think people need to know that we're working together to fill that gap, to provide those housing opportunities; and if you could write something that talks about that it would be great; then he did as a matter of courtesy, I didn't ask him to name any Commissioner, I said the Board; and I told him if you don't feel comfortable, he could have refused; he said fine; he could have said ask one of my board members; I would have done that too because we appoint half that board; the idea was to encourage them to go beyond what's normal, I guess, in terms of public relations that they're doing of announcing how they're conducting their business; it's public business; and I think to imply that there was coercion involved in any of that isn't right; secondly, Mike, as a courtesy, did send it to us.

Mrs. Geissman stated no, he didn't.

Mr. Hambley stated he sent it to John Stricker and frankly, he's not answerable to us, he's answerable to a board; and for him to say I'm going to get approval before I as a director of his agency that talks about the County Commissioners I have to get their approval of what I say makes it look like he is our employee; not independent.

Mrs. Geissman stated I know John has said he should have caught it and that Sharon felt it should have been caught; it definitely should have come before the Commissioners; all 3 of us should have seen it before something like that goes out because it was political.

Mr. Hambley asked what was political about it?

Mrs. Geissman stated the County Home issue; I told you last week what was political and the comments that were made to me that you were praised for a courageous stand when many people in the community feel you were weak in your stand and so that gets into politics; there's certainly different political views on that and it's something that should have never come up in a letter especially the way it split this board.

Mr. Hambley stated so if an agency director has a different view, point of view on that.

Mrs. Geissman stated he basically was taking a position and I don't think that should have happened from one of our agencies.

Mr. Hambley stated that would be up to you to communicate with him; I know he sent you a letter of apology; up to his board members as well if they felt.

Mr. Hambley stated well the board members felt the Commissioners had approved it is what he told me.

Mr. Hambley stated that's not what Mike said.

Mrs. Geissman stated that's what Mike told me.

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Mr. Hambley stated I'm not sure his board members ever said that it was ever communicated to them that the Board of Commissioners approved his letter; that wasn't required.

Mrs. Geissman stated that's what he told me that his board didn't approve it until the Commissioners did.

Mr. Hambley stated the point is putting a policy like this; at this point.

Mrs. Geissman stated it doesn't have to be a policy; just a simple letter that as a courtesy.

Mr. Hambley stated you can send a letter out with your signature ask them, anybody for that courtesy, that's fine.

Ms. Ray stated that part of the problem was, Pat, you weren't even mentioned in that letter, and I guess it would be a little different if they mentioned any one of us and said something exceptionally negative or factually untrue, then I think that would have to be addressed with a letter-righter.

Mrs. Geissman stated I'm sorry I did take it as negative when you have a courageous stand, what was my stand? You know you read into what it says and absolutely I felt it was; well obviously you have changed your mind and you don't want to support this so that's perfectly alright; everything's in the record from last week and this week both.

Mr. Hambley stated so at this point the issue is dead.

Mrs. Geissman stated unless I decide to write something and I may do that.

Mr. Hambley stated any one of us can communicate to those agencies that we have a relationship with and those board members that we help appoint our concerns.

Mrs. Geissman stated perhaps I'll send a copy of that section of the minutes to them.

Mr. Hambley presented an updated draft of the resolution creating a port authority. Section 5 may be a redundant statement of the last paragraph of Section 3, however, according to the attorney that prepared this resolution it is a restatement of the Ohio Revised Code that the majority of the port authority board has to have a relationship within the jurisdiction of the port authority. He would like to keep this in the resolution because if anything changed in the previous section this would not be changed. It was agreed to keep Section 5 as it appears.

Mr. Hambley noted that the wording was changed on Section 3 (vi) to clearly note that no more than 4 members can be from on jurisdiction. It was agreed that it is much clearer and was okayed.

Mr. Hambley noted that at the end of Section 3 a statement was added that no one would serve more than 2 consecutive terms.

Chris Jakab noted that because of the staggered term limits some of the beginning members would have very limited terms.

After a brief discussion, it was agreed to change the statement with the provision that the term limits are effective January 1, 2006.

Mr. Hambley stated that he plans to send this to the townships, villages, cities and chambers of commerce for their comments and their approval, as well as those involved in the first meeting regarding a port authority. He noted that the Medina City is trying to get their resolution of support passed. If it is agreeable he would like to also ask for their recommendations for nominations for this board. It was agreed for him to proceed with sending out the resolution and letter.

Mrs. Geissman asked about the funding for the port authority.

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Mr. Hambley stated that a financial plan needs to be put together. We're looking at the staffing to be provided, which is probably the major cost, initially by the Economic Development Corporation and Finance Director. At this point there will be no general fund money, but he can't say at this time that a proposal for distribution of costs won't include that. There has been talk about some money coming back from the other sources such as if they market the (Akron University) Technology Park and fees from the Toledo-Lucas Port Authority bond revenue fund. The committee will be assembled again to review this before the resolution is adopted.

Mrs. Geissman stated that it has been said no general fund monies would be used and she has received a call from someone asking about that.

Mr. Hambley stated that was in a newspaper report in response to a question on whether general fund money would be involved in the bonding. There will not be general funds involved in bonding. At this point there is no proposal to use general fund money, but that doesn't mean it won't be. Right now we're talking about staffing costs coming from the Economic Development Corporation. The general fund pays for Chris' time that he would spend on this. The business plan still needs to be worked out. At that time Commissioners will need to make a decision based on whether it is worth it in terms of investment.

Chris added that the local entities will also be encouraged to participate in that.

Ken Hotz noted that the Department of Development has requested an archeological survey at the University site. He is working on getting a proposal for phase one of this survey and hopefully this can be done next week. If nothing is found then pursuit of the grant can proceed. The cost for the survey is unknown.

Chris noted that he is going to Chicago tomorrow for the bond rating process on the Library bond issue and to also review the County's bond rating. The rating with Standard-Poor's has been static for 20 years. Hopefully the rating for the Library and County will be known in a week. The sale of the Library bonds is being held until that is known.

Mr. Hambley noted that the preliminary plan drawing for the University project has been submitted to the Planning Committee. He has talked with Mike Salay, Assistant County Engineer, and the Planning Department relative to a possible shift east of the roadway. This would be a slight revision to the acreage to the University of Akron. The Planning Department staff is reviewing this now.

Frank Gasper, Assistant Prosecutor, stated that he will proceed with Intellitech and report back to Commissioners.

Jim Waggaman from the Medina County Firefighters Association thanked Commissioners for their participation and support of the Ohio Conference that was held in Wadsworth. The conference brought in over 400 people to Medina County, noting that the conference was held at the Galaxy and that both hotels were filled. He also thanked Commissioners for use of the Bicentennial Bell. He noted that 77% of firefighters are volunteers, and that they did provide some mutual aid to Cleveland during the power outage.

There was no further business before the Commissioners for discussion.

Mrs. Geissman moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 a.m.; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED:

03-0659 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE UPON THE TREASURER IN SETTLEMENT OF SUCH LIST OF CLAIMS

03-0660 RESOLUTION COMMENDING ANDREW MICHAEL GRILLS ON EARNING THE EAGLE SCOUT AWARD

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- 03-0661 RESOLUTION COMMENDING RYAN LLOYD HOOVER ON EARNING THE EAGLE SCOUT AWARD

- 03-0662 RESOLUTION COMMENDING IAN CLARK WETHERHOLT ON EARNING THE EAGLE SCOUT AWARD

- 03-0663 RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING NOVEMBER 2003 AS "OHIO PLANNING MONTH" AND NOVEMBER 7, 2003 AS "COMMUNITY & REGIONAL PLANNING DAY IN MEDINA COUNTY"

- 03-0664 RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE COMPLETION DATE OF THE RESURFACING OF GRAFTON ROAD AND SLEEPY HOLLOW ROAD CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN KOKOSING CONSTRUCTION COMPANY INC. AND THE MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

- 03-0665 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND AWARDDING THE BID FOR THE 2003 HOT MIX RESURFACING OF W. 130TH STREET FOR THE MEDINA COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

- 03-0666 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT FOR THE WINDY HILL ESTATES PHASE II SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN LOT 15, TRACT 1, OF WADSWORTH TOWNSHIP

- 03-0667 RESOLUTION APPROVING ANNUAL ASSESSMENT ON IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED...30.3592 ACRES OF LAND IN LOT 15, TRACT 1 OF WADSWORTH TOWNSHIP KNOWN AS WINDY HILL ESTATES SUBDIVISION PHASE 2 AND ESTABLISHING SAID IMPROVEMENTS AS A PUBLIC WATERCOURSE

- 03-0668 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION

- 03-0669 CASH TRANSFER OF COUNTY GENERAL FUNDS TO THE DIVERSION PROGRAM

- 03-0670 CASH TRANSFER TO THE CRIPPLED CHILDREN'S HEALTH FUND

- 03-0671 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT FUND TO THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND FOR DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT SERVICES

- 03-0672 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM VARIOUS SANITARY ENGINEERING FUNDS TO THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND

- 03-0673 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF 6,000 GALLONS OF DIESEL AND 1,000 GALLONS OF REGULAR UNLEADED GASOLINE FOR THE MEDINA COUNTY HIGHWAY GARAGE

- 03-0674 RESOLUTION APPROVING PERSONNEL CHANGES FOR THE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

- 03-0674A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND AWARDDING BIDS FOR MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS 2003 RENOVATIONS

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- 03-0675 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR THE FOSKETT, STATION AND BECK ROAD WATERLINE PROJECT MCSE #W-500/00-5.1.57

- 03-0676 RESOLUTION AWARDED THE BID FOR POWDERED ACTIVATED CARBON TO BE UTILIZED AT THE MEDINA COUNTY LIVERPOOL WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT FACILITY

- 03-0677 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE OPERATING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE MEDINA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING SERVICES

- 03-0678 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A FISCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES AND THE MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF MEDINA COUNTY JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

- 03-0679 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TERMINATION OF A CONTRACT BETWEEN NORTHLAND COUNSELING OF MEDINA COUNTY INC. AND MEDINA COUNTY JOB & FAMILY SERVICES

- 03-0680 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR PROPOSALS FOR PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING CINICIAN SERVICES FOR MEDINA COUNTY JOB & FAMILY SERVICES

- 03-0681 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW EXPENSES RELATING TO A COOPERATIVE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM FOR MEDINA COUNTY JOB & FAMILY SERVICES

- 03-0682 RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC) FOR MEDINA COUNTY

- 03-0683 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW EXPENSES OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

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