

**MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 9, 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.

The approval of the minutes from August 2nd was tabled until next week.

Doug King, Administrative Assistant in the County Engineer's Office, stated that they are pulling their first resolution because they are awaiting additional information.

The first resolution Doug presented was approving the annual assessment on improvements and establishing a public watercourse at the Cobblestone Park Subdivision Phase 1A in Montville Township.

Doug presented a resolution accepting and awarding the bid for "CC" treated rock salt for use by the Highway Engineer's Department this winter.

The next resolution Doug presented was awarding the contract for emergency repair of Bridge No. 8 on Friendsville Road.

The last resolution Doug presented was to close Hamilton Road between Hamlin Road and Foskett Road for a culvert replacement.

Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the four resolutions and Mr. Hambley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Commissioners reviewed the weekly permits list.

Chris Jakab, Finance Director, presented finance resolutions amending the annual appropriations resolution, cash transfers, fund transfers, purchasing fuel, approving the submission of the Felony Delinquent Care/Reclaim Grant application to the Ohio Department of Youth Services for Juvenile Court programs, approving an increase for dog and kennel registration license fees to \$60 for kennels and an additional \$2 per tag (\$10 to \$12) that was discussed in the public hearing last week, approval of an agreement with Cornerstone Wellness Center for the Tobacco Grant Program evaluation services for the implementation phase, and payment of the weekly bills in the amount of \$768,675.60. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the 14 finance resolutions and pay the bills. Mr. Hambley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Gary Berkowitz, Human Resources Director, presented and reviewed the personnel resolution. He stated that John Stricker would be discussing the five lateral class change transfers for Job & Family Services in a follow up resolution. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the personnel changes and Mr. Hambley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

John Stricker, County Administrator, presented a resolution amending the table of organization for the eligibility services and operations of the Department of Job & Family Services. They currently have a vacant position – Eligibility Supervisor. They are deleting that supervisory position and reassigning staff to other areas of the table of organization. The intent is not to fill this slot due to some of the problems with the state JFS funds. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the new table of organization and Mr. Hambley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Ken Hotz, Sanitary Engineer presented a resolution to award the bid for residential water meters. Of the three bids received, two were non-responsive because they did not include the ability to read a meter with the touch pad system in the event the radio signal is not being received. They awarded it to the company that offers this feature because this is the system they have currently. The meter can be read from outside the home, which is important because in

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many cases, both husband and wife are working and not at home. Mrs. Geissman moved to award the bid. Mr. Hambley seconded. Ken said the bid was awarded to National Waterworks, Inc. There was no further discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

The second resolution Ken presented was authorizing the Sanitary Engineering Department to advertise for bids for a skid loader for the Solid Waste District. This would be to replace the one that has been in operation since 1993 and it is worn out. Mrs. Geissman moved to pass the resolution. Mr. Hambley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

The last resolution Ken presented was to authorize the Sanitary Engineer to release the escrow account of Caldwell Tanks, Inc. for the Chatham elevated storage tank. It is a 750,000-gallon tank on Coon Club Road that services the Chatham area. Mrs. Geissman moved to authorize the release and Mr. Hambley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Debra Radecky, Office for Older Adults Director, reported on upcoming OOA programming for the senior citizens. Today they have a program on lean nutrition; an art craft project will teach them how to make French memo boards; August 13th there will be a presentation by the Arthritis Foundation about money matters; there will be a trip to the Cleveland Botanical Gardens on August 17th; August 18th there will be entertainment by Linda Hamilton; August 20th there will be a seminar on how to care for yourself if you have diabetes and a health talk by a physician; August 25th's movie will be "Calendar Girls"; August 27th the entertainment will be Roy Taylor and the Keyboards; September 3rd will be the 90 and over birthday party and the Limited Edition Barbershop Quartet will entertain. Fifteen people have registered for the party to date. They deliver 231 home delivered meals each day, which is fairly high. She pointed out last Saturday's Plain Dealer article that Medina County will have the largest increase of 113% over the next 16 years in the senior citizen population.

Susan Hirsch, Deputy Director of the Department of Planning Services, presented a resolution authorizing the adoption of revisions to the county's subdivision regulations that were previously adopted on December 30, 2002. She said it does not include the Health Department's changes that have to go to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) instead of the Sanitary Engineer. They have been advised by the Prosecutor's Office that those changes would have to go back to the County Planning Commission first. They have an additional list of amendments that will be added in about six months. Mrs. Geissman made a motion to adopt the revisions; seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

The meeting was opened for public comment.

Nancy Girton, Deputy Auditor, introduced some of the interns that have been working at the Auditor's Office this summer. They helped to disseminate information to county residents as well as other duties.

Ms. Ray thanked the interns for coming to the meeting, and she said she hopes they had a good experience this summer.

The Assistant Clerk read the expenses of county officials. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the travel/training expenses and Mr. Hambley seconded that motion. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Commissioners recessed the meeting at 9:51 a.m.

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

Ken Hotz, Sanitary Engineer, said he has been working the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) on the North Broadway Street bridge. There is a manhole that needs

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replaced in the amount of \$1,100. The old one needs torn out as well. Since the road is closed he would like to proceed with the repair now.

Mrs. Geissman informed the group that she was notified on Friday that they were awarded a grant from the American Rail Association. The county will receive \$10,000 for each of the three railroad crossings that the Railroad Safety Task Force found to be the worst three crossings in the county. The \$30,000 will be put towards the purchase of gates and lights for the three rail grade crossings.

Bill Thorne, Assistant Prosecutor, said he might need at least two Board members available on Wednesday for a very short meeting to pass a resolution on an appropriation. It is for a temporary easement for \$805 for a federal project that the county is working on with Brunswick City. There have been several complications involved such as bankruptcy, foreclosure, and property abandonment. He will give the Commissioners more details on the project tomorrow.

Bill reviewed the memo he sent to the Commissioners on potential tax distributions for the proposed Wadsworth Township to Wadsworth annexation for them to review for the hearing on August 16th. He said it outlines all of the different ways that the taxes could be distributed under normal process.

Ms. Ray said the Commissioners received notice that subpoenas had been issued and asked Bill if he had heard anything.

Bill said the Commissioners have the right to issue subpoenas at the township's request because it is the Commissioners' hearing and they basically are the "judge". He did not get a chance to look at them because he just received the copies, and he is unsure of their intent. Bill said the township agreed to pay any related costs.

Pam Vereb, Assistant Clerk, said that James Bennett from the Prosecutor's Office, who is counsel for Wadsworth Township, brought the subpoenas over this morning. She filled them out and will be taking them to the Sheriff's Civil Division today after this meeting. Eleven individuals will be subpoenaed and arrangements have been made for the subpoenas to be delivered tomorrow.

Mr. Hambley reviewed the annexation law as it relates to subpoenas and there was a short discussion about some property owners that are being subpoenaed and a question as to why the largest property owner was not being subpoenaed.

Mr. Hambley discussed the Great Lakes Plan, which is about diverting water from the Great Lakes as part of the Great Lakes Basin Water Resources Compact. The Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) is conducting some public hearings on the matter. He asked Ken Hotz to put together a letter to document Medina County's wishes on the Plan. There are a number of individuals in the townships that, when they built the waterlines and got approval from the EPA to put them in, they anticipated they would be able to provide water to them.

Ken said they are providing water in many cases, but the last project went from a Lake Erie Watershed over an Ohio River Watershed line and then back in as it follows the road, so the section that is in the Ohio River Water Basin they cannot tie into.

Mr. Hambley said that the implication before was that they could tie into that.

Ken agreed and said they have several people tied on already.

Mr. Hambley said, in light of that situation, they needed to express their opinion that they need to be able to provide water to Medina County residents. Mr. Hambley pointed out that Lodi in Medina County is contributing into the Ohio River Watershed because they are taking water from across the line from the well system and placing it into the Black River.

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The other Commissioners agreed to have Ken write a letter on behalf of Medina County to express their opinions for the public hearing.

Ms. Ray asked Chris Jakab if they made a determination on the contract at the Jail for the legal research.

Chris Jakab, Finance Director, said they had not. The Jail administrator gave him three resumes of attorneys for them to review and one of them was a local person. He asked Ms. Ray if she wanted him to interview them and explain the job.

Ms. Ray said she thinks the applicants do need all the details of what the job entails because the dollar amount is so low.

Ms. Ray discussed the CCAO memo and procedures to try to build the coalition to caucus the state legislature regarding the local government funds. She volunteered to proceed with the survey.

Mrs. Geissman informed her she has already been working on it so Ms. Ray told her to go ahead with it. Mrs. Geissman said they have gotten several of the surveys back and she will share the findings with them soon.

In conclusion, Ms. Ray asked if they know that Mead Wilkins would for sure be attending the special discussion session scheduled for tomorrow at 9:30.

Mrs. Geissman said they got a message that he would be here.

The meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED:

- 04-0710 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE UPON THE TREASURER IN SETTLEMENT OF SUCH LIST OF LIST OF CLAIMS
- 04-0711 RESOLUTON AWARDING THE CONTRACT FOR THE ENERGENCY REPAIR OF BRIDGE NO. 8, ON FRIENDSVILLE ROAD (C.H. 35) FOR THE MEDINA COUNTY ENGINEER
- 04-0712 RESOLUTION APPROVING ANNUAL ASSESSMENT ON IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF SECTION 6131.63 OHIO REVISED CODE ON APPROXIMATELY 71.8049 ACRES OF LAND IN LOTS 21 & 22 OF MONTVILLE TOWNSHIP KNOWN AS COBBLESTONE PARK SUBDIVISION PHASE 1A AND EST
- 04-0713 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND AWARDING THE BID FOR "CC" TREATED ROCK SALT FOR USE BY THE MEDINA COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
- 04-0714 VOIDED - DUPLICATE RESOLUTION OF 04-0714
- 04-0715 RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE NECESSSITY TO CLOSE HAMILTON ROAD (C.H. 76) BETWEEN HAMLIN ROAD (T.H. 115) AND FOSKETT ROAD (T.H. 109)
- 04-0716 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2004 APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION BY TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS
- 04-0717 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION

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- 04-0718 AUTHORIZING CASH TRANSFER FOR THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND
- 04-0719 AUTHORIZING CASH TRANSFER FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM
- 04-0720 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT FUND TO THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND FOR DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT SERVICES
- 04-0721 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY GENERAL FUNDS (0010) TO THE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FUNDS (0120) FOR COUNTY MANDATED SHARE
- 04-0722 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE CHILDREN SERVICES IV-E FUND (0050) TO THE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FUND (0120) FOR CHILDREN SERVICES (IVE) ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURES
- 04-0723 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM VARIOUS COUNTY DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS TO THE GASOLINE ROTARY FUND
- 04-0724 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM VARIOUS COUNTY DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS TO THE MEDINA COUNTY PRINT SHOP REVENUE LINE ITEM
- 04-0725 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF 3,000 GALLONS OF PREMIUM UNLEADED AND 4.300 GALLONS OF REGULAR UNLEADED GASOLINE FOR THE ENGINEERING CENTER
- 04-0726 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF 5,000 GALLONS OF DIESEL AND 1,500 GALLONS OF REGULAR UNLEADED GASOLINE FOR THE MEDINA COUNTY HIGHWAY GARAGE
- 04-0727 APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF THE FY 2005 FELONY DELINQUENT CARE/RECLAIM GRANT APPLICATION
- 04-0728 APPROVING AN INCREASE FOR DOG AND KENNEL REGISTRATION LICENSE FEES IN MEDINA COUNTY
- 04-0729 APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH CORNERSTONE WELLNESS CENTER FOR TOBACCO GRANT PROGRAM EVALUATION SERVICES
- 04-0730 RESOLUTION APPROVING PERSONNEL CHANGES FOR THE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
- 04-0731 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE TABLE OF ORGANIZATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES -ELIGIBILITY SERVICES AND OPERATIONS
- 04-0732 RESOLUTION AWARDDING THE BID FOR POTABLE, RESIDENTAIL WATER METERS TO BE UTILIZED BY THE MEDINA COUNTY SANITARY ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

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- 04-0733 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SANITARY ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT TO ADVERTISE FOR BID FOR ONE (1) SKID STEER LOADER TO BE UTILIZED AT THE MEDINA COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT
- 04-0734 RESOLUTON AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY SANITARY ENGINEER TO RELEASE THE ESCROW ACCOUNT OF CALDWELL TANKS, INC. FOR THE CHATHAM ELEVATED STORAGE TANK MCSE #W-500.00-5.1.55.2
- 04-0735 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF REVISIONS TO THE MEDINA COUNTY SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS ADOPED BY RESOLUTION NO. 02-1147 ON DECEMBER 30,2002
- 04-0736 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW EXPENSES OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Sharon A. Ray

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia G. Geissman

Pamela M. Vereb, Asst. Clerk

Stephen D. Hambley