

## COMMISSIONERS MEETING – TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2006

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

The meeting opened with a Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer.

At the beginning of the meeting the oral reading of the February 13 minutes was dispensed with. Each Commissioner has read them personally. Ms. Ray moved to approve the minutes and Mr. Hambley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed both Commissioners voting AYE.

Doug King, Administrative Assistant in the County Engineer's Office, presented three resolutions. The first resolution was approving the use of the Subdivision Drainage Maintenance Fund for repair work in the Meadows of Southpointe Subdivision Phase 2 in Brunswick Hills Township. The next resolution was approving the final plat for Blue Ridge Estates Subdivision Phase II in Sharon Township. His last resolution was approving the annual assessment on improvements on 19.4830 acres and establishing a public watercourse in Blue Ridge Estates Subdivision. Ms. Ray moved to approve the three resolutions, seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed both Commissioners voting AYE.

Commissioners reviewed the weekly permits list.

Chris Jakab, Assistant County Administrator/Finance Director, presented and reviewed resolutions amending the temporary appropriation levels for multiple funds; authorizing amendments to the administrative services stop loss agreements with Medical Mutual of Ohio for the employee healthcare program for CY06; transferring funds from the Child Support Enforcement Agency Fund for indirect cost allocations for the first quarter of 2006; authorizing the purchase of fuel for the Engineering Center from Ports Petroleum at \$1.547 per gallon; transferring funds from the Child Support Enforcement Agency Fund to the General Fund for Domestic Relations Court billing for December 2005 services; approving the appointment of David Heilman as Bee Inspector for Medina County for 2006; and payment of the weekly bills in the amount of \$852,558.51. Ms. Ray motioned to approve the finance resolutions and payment of the bills, and Mr. Hambley seconded the motion. Ms. Ray asked if they did the indirect cost allocation early from the Child Support Enforcement Agency for the first quarter of 2006, or if they were just that efficient. Chris said they typically do it in the second month of each quarter – and they are very efficient! There was no further discussion. Roll Call showed both Commissioners voting AYE.

Gary Berkowitz, Human Resource Director, presented and reviewed the personnel resolution. Ms. Ray moved to approve the personnel changes; seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed both Commissioners voting AYE.

Gary presented a resolution amending the Table of Organization for the Medina County Public Transit Department. The resolution modifies their table by adding one interim full-time road supervisor due to an injury sustained by a current road supervisor who is going to be off work for a period of time. They have moved a transit driver into this position. Ms. Ray moved to approve the amendment. Mr. Hambley seconded the motion. Mr. Hambley stated that they have hired a new Transit Director by the name of Nicolas Schrader. His first day will be next week. There was no further discussion. Roll Call showed both Commissioners voting AYE.

Jim Troike, Assistant Sanitary Engineer, presented a resolution for a waterline easement and another resolution authorizing a change order for the Granger and Medina Townships' Waterline Project for 2005 for a slight increase in costs to deal with unstable ground that they were not originally aware of. Ms. Ray moved to approve both resolutions and Mr. Hambley seconded. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed both Commissioners voting AYE.

Patrice Theken, Department of Planning Services Director, reported on the progress of their planning and zoning workshops. They had two so far this year and the next one will be on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. They provided all of the attendees with a binder of information and they will get a star for each workshop they attend. At the end of the series, if a person has at least five stars, they will get a certificate at the Open House in November. For the Department of Planning Services Newsletter they are asking people to nominate their "Favorite Great Place in Medina County". Bob Arnold did a guest article in last month's newsletter about great places. This is

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not a competition - they will just take pictures of the great places that people nominate and do a short story on them.

Art Verdoorn, Chief Building Official, gave the Commissioners the Building Department's January 2006 report. Continuing the recent trend of less permits than a year ago, he said this January there were 39 single family home permits compared to 60 last year. In January there were a lot of new starts nationally because of the warm weather, but not in Medina County. Art speculated that it is because of the large inventory of spec houses. He still expects this year to be close to last year though. Commercial building is continuing to grow and there are 30% more commercial projects than last year.

Mr. Hambley asked if the big jump in the average cost of a home in Medina County was driven by the increased building material costs.

Art said the increase was mostly due to people building larger homes. The average size of a homes being built in Medina County have increased by 90 square feet this year. At a cost of \$60 to \$70 per square foot to construct a house that drives the cost up. Other factors are the big percentage of homes with three-car garages plus the luxury items many people add now. Art said about half the inspectors that needed to stay certified within the department attended this year's two-day conference held in Canton, Ohio. It was very helpful to clarify the new residential code and they are awaiting copies of it. They need to have their code adopted by May 27, 2006 and they have a year to become a certified department. The code will basically be the same code they have now.

Mr. Hambley asked if they will need to have a public hearing and Art said they would need two public hearings and a resolution. The changes are all on the website.

Karl Cetina, MCDAC Executive Director, presented a resolution authorizing the financial participation with the City of Brunswick for 2006 payment of MCDAC funds. This is for the purpose of contracting services with MedWay Enforcement Agency in the amount of \$93,419.76. Ms. Ray motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed both Commissioners voting AYE. Karl reported that the upcoming MCDAC grant season is coming up. The new requests for proposals will go out soon. He commented that it will be a tricky season since outcome of the May levy is unknown. The grants will actually be put out to the public and received before the levy actually occurs.

Mr. Hambley added that the outcome of the May election will be known before MCDAC has to make their decisions on the grants.

Karl said the MCDAC Board meets in May to decide on their recommendations to the Commissioners. The final recommendations will be made the first week of June.

Mr. Hambley stated that the Commissioners received notice of an Expedited Type 2 Annexation petition filed on Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, which they talked about last week. The petition is for 15.5631 acres from Guilford Township to the City of Rittman. The information has been forwarded to the Tax Maps Department for their review. The Board of County Commissioners will hold their review on Monday, March 13, 2006 at 10:30 a.m. It is a review according to the Ohio Revised Code – not a public hearing. They will review the petition to make sure it complies with the annexation laws. This notice is being filed with the Board as part of their meeting packet as required by the Ohio Revised Code.

Mr. Hambley said they received a notice from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control that Premier Golf Cleveland Beverage LLC DBA Weymouth Valley Country Club is requesting a liquor permit from Weymouth Valley Inc. DBA Weymouth Valley Country Club. There were no objections voiced.

The Assistant Clerk read the resolution to allow expenses of county officials. Ms. Ray moved to allow the expenses; seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed both Commissioners voting AYE.

The meeting was opened for public comment. No one wished to speak at this time.

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Mr. Hambley noted that the Medina County Home Advisory Council meeting would be on Wednesday, February 22, 2006. There was a mistake on the agenda and it said Tuesday. He asked for a motion to go into Executive Session after their Discussion Session for the purpose of personnel compensation and personnel appointment. Ms. Ray made the motion and Mr. Hambley seconded. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed both Commissioners voting AYE.

Commissioners recessed the meeting at 9:55 a.m. to move to the Conference Room for the Discussion Session.

The meeting reconvened for the Discussion Session at 10:00 a.m.

Mr. Hambley said that Medina County needed to set up a joint meeting with Cuyahoga County regarding the Boston Road Project to organize the joint committee. They were given four possible dates for the meeting. Mr. Hambley and Ms. Ray checked their schedules and the dates they are available are Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup>. The meeting will take place during the regular 10:00 a.m. Cuyahoga County Commissioners meeting. Bill Thorne, Assistant County Prosecutor made note and the Assistant Clerk will let Commissioner Pat Geissman and Mike Salay, Highway Engineer, know the date choices and get back to them. Mr. Hambley said that they would probably just need to have two meetings. Cuyahoga County Engineer Bob Klaiber is the project manager. They have had some previous meetings regarding this project that included both counties, the City of Brunswick, and Brunswick Hills Township. Cuyahoga County Engineers have applied for a planning grant for the project and they have federal funding. This has been ongoing for about five or six years and they are now ready to move forward.

Mr. Hambley talked about the Community Rating System for the National Flood Insurance Program. To participate, communities must undergo an evaluation of their floodplain management program and FEMA found Medina County to be in full compliance. Medina County formed a flood damage prevention committee last year and because of the good rating they have been accepted into the program and residents will get a reduction in flood insurance premiums. Commissioners were provided with a list of the 111 policies that are in force in the FEMA flood plain. These will receive an immediate reduction of about 5% and the committee is doing more for subsequent reductions as well.

Mr. Hambley said that he received a call from Mike Harris, Library Director, regarding the tax expend limit amendment that has been raising questions statewide on its interpretation. It is a constitutional amendment that will be on the ballot next November that implies either that the majority of electors is the majority of registered voters or the majority of those that show up to vote. The Library Board is looking at the impacts of the language of that amendment as to whether it would make it more difficult for them to renew or replace their current millage. They are looking to go on the ballot early November based upon their interpretation. The Park District would also like some type of definitive answer from the Prosecutor's Office as to which meaning is correct. There have been calls into the other agencies and jurisdictions such as the Achievement Center and Health Department that likewise might be impacted by the passage of this amendment and a constitutional amendment supercedes what the Ohio Revised Code says. Many things may be on the ballot in November so they can get ahead of the amendment. The Prosecutor will do research and report back to the Board.

Chris Jakab, Finance Director, said that he met with Commissioner Geissman to work on the budget before she left town and he will be together with Commissioner Hambley and Commissioner Ray at their convenience.

Gary Berkowitz, Human Resources Director, reported that they are beginning negotiations with the Sheriff's Department. There is an Ohio Public Records Law meeting on Thursday, February 23 at 10:00.

Commissioners recessed the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 10:10 a.m. for the Executive Session that was voted on earlier.

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At 10:56 a.m. Ms. Ray moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed both Commissioners voting AYE.

### RESOLUTIONS PASSED:

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- 06-0102 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE UPON THE TREASURER IN SETTLEMENT OF SUCH LIST OF CLAIMS
- 06-103 RESOLUTION APPROVING USE OF SUBDIVISION DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE FUND FOR REPAIR WORK IN THE MEADOWS OF SOUTHPOINTE SUBDIVISION PHASE 2 IN BRUNSWICK HILLS TOWNSHIP, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO
- 06-104 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT FOR THE BLUE RIDGE ESTATES SUBDIVISION PHASE II LOCATED IN SHARON TOWNSHIP, LOTS 62, 63, 78 AND 79
- 06-105 RESOLUTION APPROVING ANNUAL ASSESSMENT ON IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF SECTION 6131.63 OHIO REVISED CODE ON 19.4830 ACRES OF LAND IN LOTS 62, 63, 78 AND 79 OF SHARON TOWNSHIP AND KNOWN AS BLUE RIDGE ESTATES SUBDIVISION PHASE 2 ESTABLISH
- 06-106 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE TEMPORARY APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION
- 06-107 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AMENDMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND STOP LOSS AGREEMENTS WITH MEDICAL MUTUAL OF OHIO FOR THE PROVISION OF EMPLOYEE HEALTH PLAN SERVICES FOR CY 2006
- 06-108 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCY FUND FOR INDIRECT COST ALLOCATION
- 06-109 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF 8,200 GALLONS OF REGULAR UNLEADED GASOLINE FOR THE ENGINEERING CENTER
- 06-110 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCY FUND TO THE GENERAL FUND FOR DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT SERVICES
- 06-111 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF BEE (APIARY) INSPECTOR FOR THE COUNTY OF MEDINA FOR THE YEAR 2006
- 06-112 RESOLUTION APPROVING PERSONNEL CHANGES FOR THE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
- 06-113 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE TABLE OF ORGANIZATION FOR THE MEDINA COUNTY PUBLIC TRANSIT DEPARTMENT
- 06-114 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SANITARY ENGINEER TO OBTAIN AN EASEMENT FOR A WATERLINE
- 06-115 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FINAL ADJUSTING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR THE GRANGER AND MEDINA TOWNSHIP WATERLINE PROJECT FOR 2005

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06-116 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FINANCIAL PARTICIPATION WITH THE CITY OF  
BRUNSWICK FOR 2006 AND PAYMENT OF MCDAC FUNDS

06-117 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW EXPENSES OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

RECESSED UNTIL NEXT MEETING: COMMISSIONERS \_\_\_\_\_  
Stephen D. Hambley

OF

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Pamela M. Vereb, Asst. Clerk

MEDINA COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_  
Sharon A. Ray