

COMMISSIONERS MEETING – MONDAY, JULY 11, 2005

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

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

At the beginning of the meeting the oral reading of the July 5 minutes was dispensed with. Each Commissioner has read them personally. Mr. Hambley 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 2 resolutions closing sections of Bellus Road this week for culvert repairs and a resolution to accept and award the bid for the 2005 hot mix resurfacing. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the 3 resolutions; Seconded by Ms. Ray. 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, expenditure adjustments for the Adult Probation Department/CCA Grant Program to charge the grant for additional personnel costs, revenue adjustments for the sale of surplus county property by moving funds from the Auction Rotary Fund to the participating departments, authorizing submission of a Law Enforcement Traffic Grant Application to the Ohio Department of Public Safety for renewal funding for the Sheriff in the amount of \$58,731.75 for the fiscal year beginning October 1 and a Family First Council Partnerships for Success Grant Application to the Ohio Department of Youth Services for a new program on youth development in the amount of \$75,000 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, authorizing the purchase of fuel for the Highway Maintenance Garage from Ports Petroleum, adoption of the 2006 Tax Budget, and the weekly bills in the amount of \$574,069.35. Adoption of the 2006 tax budget allows the Board to submit the tax revenue to the Auditor. The only shift in millage is between the general fund and the general fund bond retirement. There is a 2% increase over the current year's tax budget. The public hearing was waived by the Budget Commission. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the 7 resolutions & 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. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the personnel changes; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Gary presented a resolution approving a 2-day suspension for an employee in the Sanitary Engineer's Department. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the suspension; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

John Stricker, County Administrator, had no resolutions or comments today.

Ken Hotz, Sanitary Engineer, presented a resolution to obtain easements for the Coventry Terrace Subdivision in Brunswick Hills Township to replace sewer lines. Mr. Hambley moved to approve obtaining the easements; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Ken presented a resolution accepting & awarding bid for global positioning system, surveying equipment, training and maintenance for their Surveying Department. The bids were received on Thursday. Mr. Hambley moved to accept and award the bids; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Debra Radecky, Office for Older Adults Director, stated that she has received positive feedback about her review of events from seniors that watch the Commissioners' meetings on

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cable. Upcoming events for July include bingo on the 13th and 27th, craft projects and Nursing Home Day on the 20th, an AARP living wills program on the 22nd, fruits & vegetables program by OSU Extension on the 25th, the moving “Ray” on the 27th, and a program by Social Security on their new prescription drug program on the 29th. In June they held 2 health units, 25 Alzheimer’s units, 99 supported units, 1332 transit trips, 1338 congregate meals, and 4994 home-delivered meals.

Mike Pataky, Child Support Enforcement Agency Director, noted that he had reported the incentive figures were being dropped from \$5 million to \$1.8 million. That has been reduced further to \$1.5 million. Along with this reduction the cost of genetic testing and third party vendors for collections will be passed onto the local agencies. These are both State contracts and have been free for counties, but now counties will have to pay for their share of the costs. Counties can stay with the State contract or enter their own contracts. He feels it is beneficial to stay with the State contracts because they are receiving the best rates. The cost for the third party vendors, which are collections agencies, is minuscule compared to the income that they have been able to collect. This will start with the fiscal year that begins in July. Mike also reported that there was progress with the contract for Domestic Relations Court. There are a couple items that still need clarified and should be wrapped up in the next meeting that is being held later this week.

Ms. Ray noted that the firm doing the genetic testing has had a relatively high success rate and that has been part of what qualifies the county for incentive dollars.

Mike agreed, adding that the paternity establishment has always been highly rated and we do particularly well in that area. Through further questioning, he doesn’t expect any changes in that contract.

Mrs. Geissman presented a resolution approving the appointment of members to the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC). Mr. Hambley moved to approve the appointments; Seconded by Ms. Ray.

Mrs. Geissman read the names of the 28 members.

There was no further discussion.

Roll Call on the motion and second to approve the appointments to the LEPC showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mrs. Geissman reviewed a notice of an Expedited Type 2 annexation petition that was filed last week. This is for 81.6673 acres from Wadsworth Township to the City of Wadsworth. The petition is scheduled for a review on August 1 at 10:15 a.m. It was noted that this was previously before the Board as a 30 acre petition that was withdrawn.

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

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

Commissioners recessed the meeting to move to the Conference Room for the discussion session.

The meeting reconvened at 9:55 a.m. for the discussion session.

Mr. Hambley reported on “Voices and Choices Program”, which is a regional effort for economic development. Local forums are being held in the 15 counties of the Northeast Ohio region, and the one scheduled in Medina County is a Leadership workshop on August 25th. The

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discussion at the forum will be on the strengths and challenges in the region as well as our county. The information from the local forms will reviewed at a regional town hall meeting in November. Next year the focus will be on strategies and choices.

Ms. Ray noted that Dean Holman, Prosecutor, had requested additional time to respond about the proposed travel policy and Bill Thorne, Assistant Prosecutor, contacted her that there had been a death in the family and Dean will not be able to respond until later this week.

Ms. Ray presented a draft letter to Congressman Ralph Regula regarding the purchase of Chippewa Lake by the Park District. A book of history of Chippewa Lake was found at the library and the author is donating a copy to send with the letter to help support the Park District's efforts.

Mrs. Geissman presented manager passes to the others for fairs, including the State Fair.

Mrs. Geissman reported that a resolution for 911 wireless communications had been ready for action, but was pulled at this time. The original bill involving this involved a lot of red tape and was very complicated to work with.

John Stricker added that until a plan is in effect the county can't collect any of the money that is being collected to pay for the program.

Mrs. Geissman and John noted that revised legislation is proposed that will streamline the process. The money being collected for 911 wireless communications will be placed in an interest bearing escrow account until counties have their plans in place, and the time for receiving money for the plan can be received for up to 4 years now.

Ken Hotz noted that over the last 2 weekends they have been pumping over 10 million gallons of water.

John stated that the Board of Elections is getting in their 636 computerized voting machines, which is close to 4 machines per precinct in the county. The voting cards for the machines are not designated for use with a particular machine and are re-used throughout an election. The machines are worth \$1.7 million and this is a bill the State will be paying.

There was no further business before the Board for discussion.

At 10:00 a.m. Mr. Hambley moved to adjourn the meeting; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

At 1:30 p.m. the Assistant Clerk received bids for Bridge #26 on Medina Line Road from N&N Construction, JET Excavating Company, Page Excavating, RMH Concrete & Foundation Inc., and Marks Construction. The bids were turned over to the Engineer's Office for review and recommendation.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED:

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| 05-0657 | RESOLUTION TO ALLOW CLAIMS AND AUTHORITY ISSUANCE UPON THE TREASURER UPON THE TREASURER IN SETTLEMENT OF SUCH LIST OF CLAIMS |
| 05-0658 | RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE NECESSITY TO CLOSE BELLUS ROAD (C.H. 140) BETWEEN HINCKLEY HILLS ROAD (S.R. 606) AND STATE ROAD (C.H. 44) |
| 05-0659 | RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE NECESSITY TO CLOSE BELLUS ROAD (C.H. 140) BETWEEN HINCKLEY HILLS ROAD (S.R. 606) AND STATE ROAD (C.H. 44) |

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- 05-0660 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND AWARDING THE BID FOR THE 2005 MEDINA COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT VARIOUS HOT MIX RESURFACING

- 05-0661 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION

- 05-0662 EXPENDITURE ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE ADULT PROBATION DEPARTMENT/CCA GRANT PROGRAM

- 05-0663 REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE SALE OF SURPLUS COUNTY PROPERTY

- 05-0664 AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAFFIC GRANT APPLICATION TO THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

- 05-0665 AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A FAMILY FIRST COUNCIL PARTNERSHIPS FOR SUCCESS GRANT APPLICATION TO THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH SERVICES

- 05-0666 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF 6,000 GALLONS OF DIESEL AND 1,000 GALLONS OF REGULAR UNLEADED GASOLINE FOR THE COUNTY HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE GARAGE

- 05-0667 ADOPTION OF THE 2006 TAX BUDGET

- 05-0668 RESOLUTION APPROVING PERSONNEL CHANGES FOR THE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

- 05-0669 RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE SUSPENSION OF TWO (2) DAYS FOR LARRY BAILEY, MEDINA COUNTY SANITARY ENGINEER'S OFFICE

- 05-0670 AUTHORIZING THE SANITARY ENGINEER TO OBTAIN EASEMENTS FOR VARIOUS SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

- 05-0671 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND AWARDING BID FOR A GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM, SURVEYING EQUIPMENT, TRAINING AND MAINTENANCE TO BE UTILIZED BY THE MEDINA COUNTY SANITARY ENGINEERING SURVEYING DEPARTMENT

- 05-0672 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF THE LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC) FOR MEDINA COUNTY

- 05-0673 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW EXPENSES OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

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MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Patricia G. Geissman

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen D. Hambley

Pamela J. Terrill, Clerk

Sharon A. Ray