

COMMISSIONERS MEETING – MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2002

Patricia G. Geissman called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. with Thomas R. Bahr and Stephen D. Hambley present.

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

At the beginning of the meeting the oral reading of the minutes of May 28 and June 3 was dispensed with. Each Commissioner has read them personally. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the minutes. Seconded by Mrs. Geissman. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed Mrs. Geissman and Mr. Hambley voting AYE with Mr. Bahr abstaining on the May 28 minutes, and Mr. Bahr and Mr. Hambley voting AYE with Mrs. Geissman abstaining on the June 3 minutes.

Doug King, Administrative Assistant in the County Engineer's Office, presented and reviewed 6 Resolutions involving finding that public convenience and welfare requires the replacement of Culverts 27 & 28 on Marks Road, authorizing the advertisement for bids for the replacement of Culverts 27 & 28, establishing viewing and hearing dates on the extension of a sidewalk along a portion of Fenn Road in Medina Township, establishing viewing and hearing dates on the relocation of a portion of White Road in Westfield Township, requesting ODOT to determine a reasonable and safe speed limit on a section of Boston Road, and to close a section of Lester Road. The viewing and hearing dates are being established in response to petitions received to extend sidewalks along Fenn Road and to relocate White Road. Lester Road will be closed this week. Mr. Bahr moved to approve the 6 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 9 resolutions involving amending the annual appropriations, various fund transfers, approving the request for an advance of taxes collected for MCDAC, creation of a Webcheck Program Fund for the Sheriff's Office, approving an amendment to the agreement with Aramark Correction Services for inmate food service at the Jail and Juvenile Detention Center, and the weekly bills in the amount of \$524,662.74. The advance for taxes collected is for the second half billing. The Webcheck Program is in conjunction with the Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation and allows the Sheriff to do criminal checks, process Bureau's fees and retain a portion of the fees for use in operating the program. The amendment to the Aramark agreement is a renewal for one year starting June 14. The costs were increased per the original contract terms for the last 12 months. He also requested approval of bulk mailing postage for tax bills, which are being mailed out this week. The amount has not been determined at this time. Mr. Bahr moved to approve the 9 resolutions and approve adding the postage billing once the amount is determined. Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Roger Harris, Human Resources Director, presented and reviewed the personnel changes resolution. Mr. Bahr 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.

Ken Hotz, Sanitary Engineer, presented a resolution accepting and awarding the bids for 2 dump trailers and 1 hydraulic wet line kit for the Liverpool Wastewater Treatment Plant to East Manufacturing in the amount of \$64,000. This is being paid from the construction grant from the EPA. Mr. Bahr moved to accept and award the bids. Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Ken presented a resolution accepting and awarding the bids for the sale of 2 octagon packer receivers and 2 stationary compactors from the Solid Waste District. This is surplus equipment. The award is to Refuse Equipment for \$5200. Mr. Bahr moved to accept and award the bids. Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Ken presented a resolution agreeing to mitigate any nuisance conditions generated as a result of the operation of the Plum Creek Stormwater Retention Basins. This will allow for the mitigation of any nuisance conditions that may occur. New tanks were built to replace smaller tanks and an adjoining property owner filed a complaint prior to construction for an

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environmental review. The tanks have been operating since last fall and there have been no nuisance conditions. However, in order take care of the complaint that was filed the county needs to agree that if any nuisance conditions occur the county will take care of them. Mr. Bahr moved to approve the agreement. Seconded by Mr. Hambley.

Mrs. Geissman asked if this is regarding the one family that has a problem with this and if anyone has met with the family recently.

Ken stated that it is this family and Jim Troike, Assistant Sanitary Engineer, has met with them.

Roll Call on the motion and second to approve the resolution agreeing to mitigate any nuisance conditions showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Don Hartman, Social Services Coordinator in the Office for Older Adults, stated that Debra Radecky, Director, hopes to be back next Monday on a part-time basis. He thanked everyone involved with Senior Day, noting that over 600 seniors attended and they had over 85 vendors represented. They are still serving 200 meals daily to homebound seniors. There is nothing new regarding the needs assessment as the lady in charge was in the hospital and will be contacting the office when she gets back to work. Activities at the Center include entertainment by Dick George on the 14th, Nursing Home Day on the 19th with entertainment provided by the Ohio Pythians, Edmond Jones Investment explaining investments on the 21st, and ambulance and ambulatory services being explained on the 28th. They will have an Independence Day party at the Center on July 5th with entertainment by the 2 Plus 1 Trio.

Mrs. Geissman read a resolution commending Keith Starcher for his years of service as chairperson of the Workforce Policy Board and asked Mr. Bahr if he had any comments.

Mr. Bahr stated that Mr. Starcher has played an important part in putting the Board together since the county opted to be a stand-alone county. There are good programs in place that have some residents in training and getting new skills. He will be taking over as chairperson on their Operating Committee and Ron Rowe, another long-term Policy Board member, will be replacing him as chairperson.

Mr. Hambley moved to approve the commendation. Seconded by Mr. Bahr. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mrs. Geissman reviewed a resolution reappointing Tom Miller to the ADAMH Board with his term ending June 30, 2006. Mr. Bahr moved to approve the reappointment. Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Commissioners reviewed a new liquor permit notice for a D3A permit for 965 Marks Road in Brunswick Hills Township. The office has received no comments.

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

The meeting was opened for public comment.

Donna Kinney, Lodi, noted that Friday is Flag Day and all Ohio Chapters of Rolling Thunder will be converging on the state capital to bring veterans rights and benefits and accountability for POW's and MIA's to the forefront. The President is to be in Columbus that day as well and they are hopeful he will attend their meeting. There are 11 veterans at the County Home. Chapter 8, which represents Medina County, is not taking any horror stories but a glorious story from this area.

Chelsea Miller, Child Support Enforcement Agency (CSEA) employee, noted their strikers in front of the building. The mission of CSEA is that they handle all child support payments, establish paternity, and handle administrative orders for unmarried couples relative to support. In many counties, including Cuyahoga, CSEA is part of Job & Family Services (JFS). In Medina County the agency is a stand-alone agency but their jobs are tied to JFS because every

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time a parent goes on public assistance they are required to have a CSEA case. It's also an integral part of the welfare to work initiative. During this year's contract negotiations the primary sticking point is that the CSEA caseworkers are required to have 4-year college degrees and are paid \$2-\$4 under similar JFS job descriptions that require 2-year degrees. CSEA employees do similar job duties and share most of the clients with JFS and feel the pay difference is unfair. When negotiations broke down and it went to the state fact finder, the fact finder agreed there is inequity that should be addressed, but stated this is not the right time due to budgetary constraints. The Commissioners representative also said that during mediation. The issue is the Commissioners never had to chip in to support the CSEA as it is done in most other counties. She understands they don't want to set precedence. However, the CSEA has always had surpluses and suddenly they are producing almost a \$500,000 deficit. If that figure is correct, she suggests the employees shouldn't be punished for it and that the Commissioners should look at the agency's management.

Eric Suvak, CSEA employee, understands from Mr. Jakab's report that money appropriated for CSEA was redirected to the juvenile center and he doesn't imagine that was the first time it happened. Also, Mr. Harris indicated some promotions going through for the Sanitary Engineer's union employees who have steps or perks for achieving licenses above and beyond what is needed. Those employees receive 50 cents per hour more per license. There is nothing like this at CSEA. He's not sure if something like that can be worked in. They also start at a higher rate than CSEA with their education level at less. He requested that commissioners re-evaluate the starting salary for CSEA. The 3% being offered may be adequate if the employees were accommodated according to other county agencies and as the underpaid he believes it would increase the differences in pay, which is not a benefit to the CSEA or the community it serves. If the Commissioners would rethink and discuss this it would motivate the employees possibly to go back to work. He does not believe the small increase they are requesting will hurt the budget, and it would enhance the work and get some better people and keep some of the people in the agency.

There were no further public comments.

Commissioners recessed at 9:55 a.m. to move to the conference room for the discussion session.

Commissioners reconvened the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Kathy Yuzwa, MCDAC Director, presented a resolution approving the MCDAC funding for FY 2002-2003. This is the first recommendation by the MCDAC Board for grants. Through questioning by Mr. Bahr, she stated that the entire board is behind this. She introduced Larry Hering and Chief Kent Patterson from the Board.

Mr. Bahr asked if there is greater drug activity in the affluent school districts or those districts that have students with more spending money. He remembers in Akron many years ago that the most affluent high schools had the larger problems.

Kathy stated that it is across the board in Medina County and the same issues keep coming up.

One of the MCDAC members stated that there are a lot issues at some of the rural schools, but there's no big difference.

Mr. Hambley stated that he had asked that this review to be part of the discussion session because there were cuts made in the programs that he felt the Commissioners may want to review. MCDAC adopted a conservative approach in terms of budgeting as they spent almost the entire amount available in previous years. The attempt is to have a contingency carryover that can be used for new programs and populations that haven't been served in the past. They've found that when there is more money available the grantees just ask for an increase for their existing programs.

Mr. Bahr moved to approve the resolution approving the MCDAC funding recommendation, and extended his thanks to Kathy and the MCDAC Board for their time and effort.

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Mr. Hambley seconded the motion with the date revised on resolution.

There was no further discussion.

Roll Call on the motion and second to approve the MCDAC funding recommendation showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mrs. Geissman stated that in review of the resolution establishing a Medina County Home Advisory Council she doesn't see any real problems. Her intent was that the County Administrator and Finance Director be on the Council as voting members.

Mr. Hambley stated that he used past advisory boards and they were not voting members on those boards. They can participate as ex officio members.

Mrs. Geissman stated that the main reason she wanted them on the Council was for their background knowledge, and they can still give that information.

Mr. Bahr stated that he has no problem with this as it is basically the composition of the transition team.

Mr. Bahr moved to approve the resolution establishing the Medina County Home Advisory Council. Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no further discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mr. Hambley stated that advertising will start as soon as possible and the appointment process will be the same as with other boards.

Mr. Hambley asked about the MCPAF lease agreement for the auditorium in the Administration Building.

Mr. Bahr and John noted that it is fine. The lease can go up to 25 years with renewals up to 60 years. This will be submitted next week for approval.

Mr. Bahr noted that there is a regional cabinet meeting on June 13 and asked if any of the other Commissioners would be attending. They had called to ask if there were any topics of interest at the cabinet level, such as Project Impact. He is going to try to attend and take John with him.

Mr. Hambley noted that he and Mrs. Geissman have a Drug C.O.G. meeting at 10 a.m. that morning.

Mrs. Geissman noted that the total amount for the horse blanket (Fair) is \$75, which is split by the 3 Commissioners.

Mrs. Geissman stated that the CCAO is holding an annexation review seminar on June 14 and that the Clerk may want to refresh on this issue. They are taking the stand now that the new annexation laws are being used across the state.

Chris Jakab presented a draft agreement with Wayne County regarding the court mediation program. This confirms their contribution of \$25,000 starting July 1. Their courts have enacted the same fees as our courts. They will receive services from the program 5 business days per month.

Mr. Bahr stated that he has talked with Wayne County Commissioner Cheryl Noah and their judges are okay with these terms. He asked if this has been approved by Bill Thorne, Assistant Prosecutor.

Chris stated that Bruce Francis of the Mediation Program sent it to Bill.

Mr. Bahr stated that this allows us to receive a subsidy for the program from Wayne County and provides them with some services. The service has been beneficial to Medina

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County. Wayne County is doing something different in the Domestic Relations area and that is why they “backed up” a little.

Chris stated that he will work with Bruce to put a budget together to present to the Board.

Chris noted that Mr. Hambley had asked for a letter to be drafted to the City of Brunswick regarding the interchange ramp construction project. He presented a draft agreement and resolution for financial participation between the Board and Brunswick. The Board will agree to participate on behalf of the Transportation Improvement District (TID) in the amount of \$200,000, which is 20% of the project cost. Brunswick will be the lead agent. ODOT will pay paying the contractor direct for the project, with Brunswick paying the remaining local share required, which is approximately \$400,000. ODOT will pay 100% of the initial engineering costs and the County is to pay for the utility relocation and towards the construction contract. The TID approved this in January 2001 and the Commissioners will be the fiscal agent for the TID. This will be on for next Monday.

Chris noted that a comment was made during public comment about CSEA funds going to the Juvenile Detention Center. For clarification, CSEA enters a Title IV-D contract with Juvenile Court and the transfer was for April’s operating costs related to that contract and the 66% federal portion of the month’s operation. This is budgeted for and there is no diversion or purchases other than what the money is intended for. He will contact Mr. Suvak and advise him of this.

There was no further business before the Board for discussion.

Mr. Bahr moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 a.m. Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

At 1:30 p.m. the Clerk received striping bids for the County Engineer from Aero-Mark Inc., Chemi-Trol Chemical, Oglesby Construction Inc. and J.D. Striping Services Inc. The bids were turned over to the Engineer’s Office for review and recommendation.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED:

02-0498 RESOLUTION COMMENDING KEITH STARCHER FOR HIS YEARS OF SERVICE AS CHAIRPERSON OF THE MEDINA COUNTY WORKFORCE POLICY BOARD

02-0499 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE UPON THE TRESURER IN SETTLEMENT OF SUCH LIST OF CLAIMS

02-0500 RESOLUTION FINDING THAT PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND WELFARE REQUIRES THE REPLACEMENT OF CULVERTS 27 AND 28 ON MARKS ROAD (C.H. 22) IN BRUNSWICK HILLS AND LIVERPOOL TOWNSHIPS, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO

02-0501 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MEDINA COUNTY ENGINEER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF CULVERTS 27 & 28 ON MARKS ROAD (C.H. 22)

02-0502 RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING VIEWING AND HEARING DATES AS NECESSITATED BY RECEIPT OF A PETITION FROM LANDOWNERS SEEKING THE RELOCATION OF A PORTION OF WHITE ROAD (T.H. 92) IN WESTFIELD TOWNSHIP, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO

02-0503 RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING VIEWING AND HEARING DATES AS NECESSITATED BY RECEIPT OF A PETITION FROM LANDOWNERS SEEKING THE EXTENSION OF A SIDEWALK ALONG A PORTION OF FENN ROAD (C.H. 70) IN MEDINA TOWNSHIP, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO

02-0504 RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO DETERMINE AND DECLARE A REASONABLE AND SAFE

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PRIMA FACIE SPEED LIMIT ON C.H. 13, BOSTON ROAD, BETWEEN C.H. 22, MARKS ROAD & U.S. 42, PEARL ROAD IN MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO

02-0505 RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE NECESSITY TO CLOSE LESTER ROAD (C.H. 56) BETWEEN CENTER ROAD (S.R. 303) AND WEST LAW ROAD (T.H. 112)

02-0506 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION

02-0507 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM VARIOUS COUNTY DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS OF THE GASOLINE ROTARY FUND

02-0508 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM VARIOUS COUNTY DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS TO THE MEDINA COUNTY PRINT SHOP REVENUE LINE ITEM

02-0509 AUTHORIZING CASH TRANSFERS FROM THE GENERAL FUND

02-0510 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT FUND TO THE JUVENILE COURT IV-D FUND

02-0511 APPROVING THE REQUEST FOR AN ADVANCE OF TAXES COLLECTED FOR THE MEDINA COUNTY DRUG ABUSE COMMISSION

02-0512 CREATION OF A WEBCHECK PROGRAM FUND FOR THE MEDINA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

02-0513 RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH ARAMARK CORRECTIONAL SERVICES INC. FOR INMATE FOOD SERVICE AT THE MEDINA COUNTY JAIL & THE JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER

02-0514 RESOLUTION APPROVING PERSONNEL CHANGES FOR THE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

02-0515 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND AWARING BIDS FOR 2 ALUMINUM BODY DUMP TRAILERS WITH 1 HYDRAULIC WET LINE KIT TO BE UTILIZED BY THE SANITARY ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, LIVERPOOL WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

02-0516 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND AWARING BIDS FOR THE SALE OF 2 OCTAGONE PACKER RECEIVERS AND 2 2-CUBID YARD STATIONARY COMPACTORS WHICH HAVE BEEN UTILIZED BY THE MEDINA COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

02-0517 RESOLUTION AGREEING TO MITIGATE ANY NUISANCE CONDITIONS GENERATED AS A RESULT OF THE OPERATION OF THE PLUM CREEK STORMWATER RETENTION BASINS MCSE#500/100-1.2

02-0518 RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE MEDINA COUNTY ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION & MENTAL HEALTH (ADAMH) BOARD

02-0519 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW EXPENSES OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

02-0520 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MEDINA COUNTY DRUG ABUSE COMMISSION (MCDAC) GRANT FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002-2003

02-0521 RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A MEDINA COUNTY HOME ADVISORY COUNCIL

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MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Patricia G. Geissman

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas R. Bahr

Pamela J. Terrill, Clerk

Stephen D. Hambley