

COMMISSIONERS MEETING – MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2005

Stephen D. Hambley called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. with Sharon A. Ray present.

Mr. Hambley moved to recess into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion personnel/employment; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed both Commissioners voting AYE.

Patricia G. Geissman entered the meeting immediately after the recess into Executive Session.

At 9:30 a.m. Commissioners convened the regular session with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Prayer.

At the beginning of the meeting the oral reading of the November 21 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 resolutions authorizing the submission of an application to NOACA for Transportation For Livable Communities Initiative Grant for a planning study in the Brunswick area, and granting a variance to the Engineering Code for Subdivision Development to Pride One York Township Group LLC for the installation of boulevard islands in the Shale Creek Subdivision. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the 2 resolutions; Seconded by Ms. Ray.

Mr. Hambley stated that they have been working with the Cuyahoga County Engineer to look into a no-build alternative for the Boston Road interchange to help resolve transportation and road issues in the area.

There was no further discussion. Roll Call showed on the motion and second to approve the 2 Engineer's resolutions showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Commissioners reviewed the weekly permits list.

Chris Jakab, Finance Director, presented and reviewed resolutions amending the appropriations by transferring appropriations, various funds transfers, accepting a lease agreement with Community Legal Aid Services, approving a contractual engagement with the Auditor of State, Local Government Services Division, for assistance in the preparation of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, declaring county property as excess property, and the weekly bills in the amount of \$618,195.69. The lease with Legal Aid is a renewal for a small office in the Professional Building for 2 years starting October 1. The agreement with the Auditor of State is in the amount of \$25,900 and is to be paid by the Auditor's 2006 budget. There is no increase in the cost for the State's services. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the 9 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. 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 second personnel resolution that accepts the resignation of a Maintenance employee. Mr. Hambley moved to approve this personnel change; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Gary presented a resolution approving a new 2-year contract between Teamsters Local 436 and Line employees and the Sanitary Engineering Department. This contract covers a 3% pay increase in the first year with a 3 ½% pay increase in the second year, a 5 cent increase for a CDL and other language changes. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the contract; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

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John Stricker, County Administrator, had no resolutions for today.

Ken Hotz, Sanitary Engineer, presented a resolution accepting easements for a sanitary sewer improvement project within a subdivision. Mr. Hambley moved to accept the easements; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Ken presented a resolution amending Resolution #05-1074 awarding the bids for bulk chemicals to be utilized at the county treatment facilities. The amendment is to split the contract for the liquid chlorine that will save money. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the amendment to the bid award; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Ken presented a resolution authorizing the release of the escrow of Fechko Excavating Inc. for waterline extension that was done last year. Everything has been finalized with that contract. Mr. Hambley moved to release the escrow account; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mead Wilkins, Job & Family Services Director, presented a flyer on the Child Advocacy Center. A \$40,000 grant was awarded for this and the lease and zoning have been finalized. They are hoping to have the Center open by January 1. Information on the number of children in custody was presented, which shows a huge increase in the number of youth in residential treatment centers. He noted that Greene County has 200 children in custody and 70 in placements. Also presented was a chart showing the PRC expenditures, which covers heating and automobile repairs for clients. This has doubled in the last couple of months. They held a heating summit and pulled together all agencies that offer heating assistance. This will help the various agencies with referrals for seniors and low income families that need heating assistance. They are completing an application for TANF funding to expand the work release program with the jail. Those clients can be released early if they agree to getting a job and paying any child support they are responsible for. Mead reported that they have purchased the first 100 coats for the Coats for Kids program.

Karl Cetina, MCDAC Director, noted that their levy failed by 2 ½% of the voters. The MCDAC will meet next Monday and they will be busy talking with the schools and different agencies that receive funding about their funding level being in place through June 2006 and also to get their assistance in campaigning for a future ballot. The conversations are to place the levy on the May ballot, which means there will be a lot of work being done during the first part of the year. A lot of work is needed to educate the public on how the MCDAC funding works.

Mrs. Geissman noted that we are the only county in the state that has a levy that supports drug enforcement, treatment and education, which means the county general fund is not paying for those costs.

Bill Hanigan, Workforce Development Director, stated that their plan year ended in June and in every area they exceeded the performance requirements. A performance audit has just concluded and they had a 97.7% accuracy rate for dislocated records and 89.9% for youth records. He thanked Commissioner Ray and Jim Doutt, Economic Development Corporation Director, for their opening comments at the Workforce Summit. They used Reed Act Funds for their new website, which has been well received. They have met 75% of their goal under the healthcare training grant for the number in training and had 65% of the money allocated. For the building trades training grant they have met 60% of their goal of people in training and allocated 47% of the money. They are attempting to put together an OJT program to bring up job qualifications by cross training. They are also looking into an internship program this summer for honor students to encourage them in technology and research. The ODJFS has recognized the office for their networking program for executive and professional personnel. They have been working with the University of Akron on a curriculum for the polymer industry to assist local companies in getting trained workers. Workforce has also been continuing to expand their

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relations with the University of Akron and its role with the University Center. He noted that Karen Klaus, Administrative Assistant, is on worker compensation disability and is due back December 12.

Mrs. Geissman read a resolution commending Arthur (Sonny) Harvey for his years of service with the Sanitary Engineering Department. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the commendation; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mrs. Geissman read a resolution commending Larry Jackson for his years of service with the Auditor's Office. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the commendation; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

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.

Laura Toth, President of Family-A-Fair, stated that she understands no decision has been made on rental fees for the Community Center for any organization, including Family-A-Fair. The Commissioners have been extremely kind in the past with organizations such as theirs, noting that Family-A-Fair is a countywide community event that brings together public and private organizations.

Mr. Hambley moved to recessed into Executive Session to discuss personnel/appointment immediately following the discussion session; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Commissioners recessed into the conference room for the discussion session.

Ms. Ray stated that a formal letter has not been received, but she has been advised that there will be no funding from the federal government for the Chippewa Lake purchase. They will try for funding next year.

Ms. Ray stated that originally when Homeland Security grant funds went through Workforce it was thought that the Governor would be hiring for airport security. However, there aren't a lot of job openings because it falls under existing law enforcement and a lot of those funds were for equipment and training. They would like to amend the grant to add the healthcare training because there are many people applying for this type of training. There were no objections to this change.

Ken Hotz noted that currently the county has the ability to certify unpaid utility bills on property taxes. Proposed HB 104 proposes that these cannot be certified onto property owners taxes for rental properties. He has prepared a letter to Representative Chuck Calvert objecting to HB 104 because the county has no way to obtain the funds for those unpaid bills without putting it on property taxes. It should be the property owners responsibility to have reliable tenants or to charge enough in security deposits to cover any unpaid utility bills.

Mrs. Geissman noted that the CCAO Board has taken a stand against the bill as well. She suggested that letters also be sent to Representative Bob Gibbs and Senator Ron Amstutz.

Mr. Hambley noted that if this bill passes the cost of unpaid bills for renters will be passed onto everyone else on the system.

Commissioners recessed the meeting at 10:20 for the Executive Session, which was voted on earlier. The Executive Session was recessed at 12:23 p.m.

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The Executive Session was reconvened at 4:00 p.m. with Mrs. Geissman and Mr. Hambley present for the final interview for appointment.

At 4:15 p.m. Mr. Hambley moved to adjourn the meeting; Seconded by Mrs. Geissman. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed both Commissioners voting AYE.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED:

- 05-1094 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE UPON THE TREASURER IN SETTLEMENT OF SUCH LIST OF CLAIMS

- 05-1095 RESOLUTION COMMENDING ARTHUR M. HARVEY FOR HIS YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE MEDINA COUNTY SANITARY ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

- 05-1096 RESOLUTION COMMENDING LARRY JACKSON FOR HIS YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE MEDINA COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE

- 05-1097 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MEDINA COUNTY ENGINEER TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO NOACA FOR TRANSPORTATION FOR LIVABLE COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE GRANT

- 05-1098 RESOLUTION GRANTING A VARIANCE TO THE MEDINA COUNTY ENGINEERING CODE FOR SUBDIVISION DEVELOPMENT TO PRIDE ONE YORK TOWNSHIP GROUP, LLC. FOR THE INSTALLATION OF BOULEVARD ISLANDS IN THE SHALE CREEK SUBDIVISION

- 05-1099 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2005 APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION BY TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS

- 05-1100 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE CHILDREN SERVICES FUND (0050) TO THE JFS-PROTECT OHIO FUND (0055) FOR THE PROTECT OHIO MATCH

- 05-1101 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FUND (0120) TO THE JFS BUILDING DEBT PAYMENT FUND (0300)

- 05-1102 AUTHORIZING A CASH TRANSFER FOR THE GENERAL BOND RETIREMENT FUND

- 05-1103 AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS BETWEEN VARIOUS SANITARY ENGINEER FUNDS AND COUNTY FUNDS

- 05-1104 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCY FUND TO THE GENERAL FUND FOR DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT SERVICES

- 05-1105 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH COMMUNITY LEGAL AID SERVICES

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- 05-1106 APPROVING A CONTRACTUAL ENGAGEMENT WITH THE AUDITOR OF STATE, LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES DIVISION, FOR ASSISTANCE IN THE PREPARATION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR MEDINA COUNTY
- 05-1107 RESOLUTION DECLARING MEDINA COUNTY PROPERTY AS EXCESS PROPERTY
- 05-1108 RESOLUTION APPROVING PERSONNEL CHANGES FOR THE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
- 05-1109 RESOLUTION APPROVING PERSONNEL CHANGES FOR THE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
- 05-1110 RESOLUTION APPROVING A NEW 2-YEAR CONTRACT BETWEEN TEAMSTERS LOCAL 436 - LINE EMPLOYEES AND THE SANITARY ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT
- 05-1111 AUTHORIZING THE SANITARY ENGINEER TO OBTAIN EASEMENTS FOR VARIOUS SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS
- 05-1112 RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 05-1074 RESOLUTION AWARDED THE BIDS FOR BULK CHEMICALS TO BE UTILIZED AT THE MEDINA COUNTY TREATMENT FACILITIES
- 05-1113 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SANITARY ENGINEER TO RELEASE THE ESCROW OF FECHKO EXCAVATING FOR THE 2004 WATER MAIN EXTENSIONS FOR GRAFTON, WEST LAW, WEIGEL, ABBEYVILLE, PALKER, SANFORD & CONGRESS ROADS MCSE #W-500/00-5.1.58
- 05-1114 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW EXPENSES OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Patricia G. Geissman

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen D. Hambley

Pamela J. Terrill, Clerk

Sharon A. Ray