

COMMISSIONERS MEETING – MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 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 November 4 and 12 was dispensed with. Each Commissioner has read them personally. Mr. Bahr moved to approve the minutes. Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Doug King, Administrative Assistant in the County Engineer's Office, presented 6 resolutions to accept and award the bids for aggregate materials to various suppliers, authorizing the County Engineer to proceed in certain instances by force account in the reconstruction, improvement, maintenance and repair of roads, bridges and culverts, requesting ODOT to determine a safe speed limit on Granger Road between S.R. 3 and Medina Line Road, authorizing a change order to the agreement for sealing of concrete surfaces on Bridge No. 17 on Marks Road with Wolf Creek Engineering & Contracting, to extend the completion date of the contract and to amend the contract for centerline striping and pavement marking with Aero-Mark Inc. 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 11 resolutions involving amending the annual appropriations by transferring and increasing appropriations, various fund transfers, purchasing fuel for the Engineering Center from Ports Petroleum, approving an agreement for Safe Communities Grant Project Management Services, approval of an agreement for supplemental Medina County Courthouse Security Services, creation of a Court Security Services Special Revenue Fund, & the weekly bills in the amount of \$1,085,036.66. The agreement for Safe Communities Grant Management Services is with the City of Medina Police Department and they have retained Jerry Klue to oversee the program. The 2 resolutions regarding Courthouse security were discussed last week. Mr. Bahr moved to approve the 11 resolutions. Seconded by Mr. Hambley.

Mr. Bahr noted that he understands approval of the agreement for security services will cost \$363,056 and they will have 7 people plus 2 supervisors.

Chris agreed with the annual cost figure, noting that it is combined general fund and supplemental portion. There will be 4 full time people under the general fund and a mix of part-time people serving supplemental posts that have been established. There is a discussion of reducing 3 to 2 positions, but it would still require a combination of 3 officers per day.

Mr. Bahr stated that this is a waste of tax dollars and is overkill for security in the courthouses. He cannot support the agreement or creation of the special revenue fund.

There was no further discussion.

Roll Call on the motion and second to approve the 11 Finance resolutions showed Mrs. Geissman and Mr. Hambley voting AYE on all resolutions, with Mr. Bahr voting AYE except on the 2 resolutions involving courthouse security.

Mrs. Geissman asked Joe Lewandowski, Domestic Relations Court Administrator, to let the judge know the resolutions passed and that the Sheriff can take the people off the one location.

Joe noted that there was a new court order removing the 1 security station and asked when Commissioners would like this removed.

Mrs. Geissman stated that it should be removed as soon as possible. It was agreed that it would be removed today.

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Gary Berkowitz, Human Resources Director, presented and reviewed the personnel 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 for today.

Ken Hotz, Sanitary Engineer, presented a resolution authorizing the renewal of the contract to purchase water meters from U.S. Filter. The contract includes a clause for continuing the agreement if the prices remained the same. Mr. Bahr moved to approve the contract renewal. Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Ken presented a resolution authorizing the investment of the retainer of Fechko Excavating in an escrow account for the Wilbur, Remsen Chase Subdivision, Baker, Watkins & Smith Road waterline project. Mr. Bahr moved to approve the investment. Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Ken presented a resolution accepting and awarding bid for Erhart, Egypt, Coon Club, Carsten & Stone Roads waterline project to Mark Schaffer in the amount of \$2,714,000. Before the project can begin the PTI needs to be received from the OEPA. Mr. Bahr moved to accept and award the bid. Seconded by Mr. Hambley.

There was a brief discussion about the closeness of the low bids that were received for this project.

There was no further discussion.

Roll Call on the motion and second to accept and award the bids showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mead Wilkins, Job & Family Services Department Director, stated that the Leadership class that several of his employees participated in has completed the yearlong program and graduated. The department oversees the collection from county employees for the *Coats For Kids* program and collected over \$1,500 plus had \$200 carried over from last year that came in late. They will distribute coats through the Lodi Family Resource Center, Community Services Center and the Second Baptist Church. He noted that the teenage pregnancy rate drives a lot of issues that determine the poverty rate. The Family First Council ran an intervention program for this and the rate has dropped from 14.6 to 9.4 per 1000 teens. He reviewed a chart of the food stamp program, which is a complex program that is run through the Department of Agriculture. This continues to grow and all cases are reviewed by supervisors to make sure the error rate is as low as possible. There are so many people in the work program that they had to move from the Job Club classroom to a training room.

Mead presented a resolution authorizing contracts for substitute care of children. The placement of children runs around \$1.2 million annually and these contracts allow the department to oversee each placement and make sure of the services being received. Mr. Bahr moved to authorize the contracts. Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mead presented a resolution authorizing a professional services agreement with Cornerstone Psychological. This is a renewal for their services to sexual abuse victims and they provide incredible service. Mr. Bahr moved to approve the agreement. Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mead presented a resolution approving an agreement with Medina County Transit to provide transportation for their Medicaid recipients and OWF program participants. They have no complaints with the service being provided. Mr. Bahr moved to approve the agreement. Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

John Burke, Treasurer, presented a resolution to establish an Ohio Housing Linked Deposit Partnership with the Treasurer of State. Counties with linked deposit programs or Fix It

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Fund programs can get up to \$5 million in state funds to tie into the county programs for home improvements. This resolution authorizes his office to apply to the State Treasurer for participation in their program. Mr. Bahr moved to approve establishing the partnership. Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mrs. Geissman presented and reviewed 2 resolutions of commendation. The first is for Glenn Jenewein for his years of service at Medina County Transit, and the second is for Patricia Larsen for her years of service since 1977 with the Commissioners/Human Resources Department. Mr. Bahr moved to approve the commendations. Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

John Stricker 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.

Mr. Bahr noted that Chris Jakab did a lot of work and has great amount of information regarding the court security. He has not been in any other county courthouse, including Summit County, with the amount of security being requested for our courthouses.

There were no other comments and Commissioners recessed the meeting at 9:53 a.m. to move to the Conference Room.

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

Mr. Bahr noted that he had forwarded information from the Assistant Secretary in the Department of Labor indicates our workforce program is right on track. He noted that a lot of counties are not where our program is and that they are running their program through their Job & Family Services Departments, noting that this is not a welfare program but a workforce development program.

Mrs. Geissman noted that Larry Long, CCAO Executive Director, has offered to assist her with understanding the programs under workforce development, which is a very complex program and has been changed several times since starting.

Mrs. Geissman stated that she received a call from Sheriff Neil Hassinger this morning that a class action lawsuit has been filed in the North District Court for damages for collections made under the pay-to-stay program at the Jail. Sheriff Hassinger wishes to do nothing at this time in proceeding with the program, noting that he will be meeting with Dean Holman, Prosecutor, later today.

Chris stated that software was installed last week. They held a meeting with Bill Thorne, Assistant Prosecutor, and it was felt that if fees were not collected on those not convicted that it would be okay to proceed with the program. Obviously those convicted and sentenced would be the ones charged the fees.

After a brief discussion, Bill stated that he would have to look into this closer, as the county's program is not up and running at this time.

Chris stated that budget requests are due in next week. Through questioning he stated that the departments seem to be continuing to be conservative. He will be getting bond rating information to the Commissioners when he has the final numbers, noting that the interest rate went up and then back down recently.

Mrs. Geissman noted that the ribbon cutting/open house for New Horizons is at 1:00 this afternoon.

There was no further business before the Board for discussion.

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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 and Ken Hotz received bids for sludge filter press plates for the Liverpool Wastewater Treatment Plant from Lenser Filtration Inc., Senior Products, US Filter/Dewatering Systems (Bissnuss), Water Works, and Trent Filtration. The bids were turned over to the Sanitary Engineer's Office for review and recommendation.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED:

02-1007 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE UPON THE TREASURER IN SETTLEMENT OF SUCH LIST OF CLAIMS

02-1008 RESOLUTION COMMENDING GLENN JENEWEIN FOR 12 YEARS OF SERVICE AT MEDINA COUNTY TRANSIT

02-1009 RESOLUTION COMMENDING PATRICIA LARSEN FOR HER YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS/HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

02-1010 RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH AN OHIO HOUSING LINKED DEPOSIT PARTNERSHIP WITH THE TREASURER OF THE STATE OF OHIO PURSUANT TO OHIO AUTHORIZED REVISED CODE SECTION 135.63

02-1011 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND AWARDING THE BIDS FOR AGGREGATE MATERIALS FOR USE BY THE MEDINA COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

02-1012 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ENGINEER TO PROCEED IN CERTAIN INSTANCES BY FORCE ACCOUNT IN THE RECONSTRUCTION, IMPROVEMENT, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF ROADS, BRIDGES AND CULVERTS

02-1013 RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO DETERMINE AND DECLARE...SPEED LIMIT ON C.H. 21, GRANGER ROAD, BETWEEN S.R. #3, WEYMOUTH ROAD, AND C.H. 2, MEDINA LINE ROAD, IN MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO

02-1014 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #1 TO THE AGREEMENT FOR THE SEALING OF CONCRETE SURFACES ON BRIDGE NO. 17 ON MARKS ROAD (C.H. 22) BETWEEN WOLF CREEK ENGINEERING AND CONTRACTING INC. AND THE MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

02-1015 RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE COMPLETION DATE OF THE 2002 CENTERLINE STRIPING AND PAVEMENT MARKING CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN AERO-MARK INC. AND THE MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

02-1016 RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CONTRACT FOR CENTERLINE STRIPING AND PAVEMENT MARKINGS BY AND BETWEEN AERO-MARK INC. AND THE MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

02-1017 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2002 ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION BY TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS

02-1018 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION

02-1019 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND (0010) TO THE CHILDREN SERVICES FUND (0050) FOR THE RESPITE OF FOSTER PARENTS

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02-1020 AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS BETWEEN VARIOUS SANITARY ENGINEER FUNDS AND COUNTY FUNDS

02-1021 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM VARIOUS SANITARY ENGINEERING FUNDS TO THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND

02-1022 TRANSFER OF COUNTY GENERAL FUNDS TO THE COUNTY DIVERSION PROGRAM

02-1023 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF 3,600 GALLONS OF PREMIUM UNLEADED AND 4,600 GALLONS OF REGULAR UNLEADED GASOLINE FOR THE ENGINEERING CENTER

02-1024 APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT FOR SAFE COMMUNITIES GRANT PROJECT MANAGEMENT SERVICES

02-1025 APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT FOR SUPPLEMENTAL MEDINA COUNTY COURTHOUSE SECURITY SERVICES

02-1026 CREATION OF A COURT SECURITY SERVICES SPECIAL REVENUE FUND AND AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATIONS

02-1027 RESOLUTION APPROVING PERSONNEL CHANGES FOR THE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

02-1028 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF THE CONTRACT TO PURCHASE WATER METERS TO BE UTILIZED BY THE SANITARY ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

02-1029 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY SANITARY ENGINEER TO INVEST THE RETAINER OF FECHKO EXCAVATING FOR THE WILBUR, REMSEN CHASE SUBDIVISION, BAKER WATKINS & SMITH ROADS WATERLINE PROJECT IN AN ESCROW ACCOUNT MCSE#500/00-7.1.22

02-1030 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND AWARDED BID FOR ERHART, EGYPT, COON CLUB, CARSTEN & STONE ROADS WATERLINE PROJECT #W-500/00-5.1.55

02-1031 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS FOR SUBSTITUTE CARE OF CHILDREN FOR MEDINA COUNTY JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

02-1032 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES AND CORNERSTONE PSYCHOLOGICAL

02-1033 RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH MEDINA COUNTY TRANSIT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

02-1034 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW EXPENSES OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

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MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Patricia G. Geissman

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas R. Bahr

Pamela J. Terrill, Clerk

Stephen D. Hambley