

COMMISSIONERS MEETING – MONDAY, OCTOBER 31, 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.

There were no minutes for approval at this time.

The County Engineer's Office had no resolutions today.

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.

John Stricker, County Administrator, on behalf of Chris Jakab, Finance Director, presented resolutions amending the annual appropriations by transferring and increasing appropriations, approving an agreement with the Board of MR&DD for Transit management services to assist with the operation of Transit, and the weekly bills in the amount of \$960,998.45. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the 3 resolutions and payment of the bills; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Ken Hotz, Sanitary Engineer, presented a resolution authorizing final adjusting change order for the S.R. 42 sewer replacement and the S.R. 162 sewer extension project. This is a reduction of \$22,666.25. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the change order; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Ken noted that for years there has been work being done to set up a process to burn the end waste from the Central Processing Facility (CPF) since 1993. On Friday the EPA issued the permit to install (PTI) so the CPF can sort the fluff from the waste and send it to Akron for burning. This will divert 30% of the end waste material that has been going to a landfill.

Steve Vinny, Norton Environmental, stated that he remembers receiving the contract to build and operate the CPF in 1992, which began Medina County's being a leader in the State with waste recycling. They have continued to work with the county to help reduce the waste going to landfills, and this process will take light film plastic and paper that can't be recycled for burning. This diverts the waste from the landfills and this fuel burns cleaner than coal. The estimate is that 6500 tons will be used in the first year. Through questioning he stated that the fluff will not be processed into pellets because the plant in Akron wants the less costly BTU.

Ken added that if they make pellets there more processing needed by the county, which increases the cost. He introduced and thanked Chuck Hawley, former Commissioner and "grandfather" of the CPF, for his vision, noting that he was instrumental in the county getting the CPF.

Mr. Vinny added appreciation to Representative Chuck Calvert who was very helpful in the process of getting the PTI.

Mrs. Geissman noted that Medina County has been looked up to in the area of waste disposal and recycling, adding that we received an award in 2000 for the CPF operations.

Chris Hartman, Soil & Water Conservation District, was present to give an update on their program year that ends today. He presented a patch that is used on storm drains to educate landowners in neighborhoods under the NPDES Phase 2 program. They have placed 1700 patches on storm drains. They have been working with the CPF through a Recycle Ohio grant and in the past year had 400 students participate in tours as well as 200 educators. On Earth Day they had 3000 kids participate in a coloring contest. They aren't sure what is in store for the Recycle Ohio grants for next year, but he is working with Ken Hotz and Bill Strazinsky, Solid Waste District, on preparations for that. They have completed 5 comprehensive nutrient plans,

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which ODNR provided the funding for. They have also been involved with an agricultural pollution abatement program through State funding for cleaning up agricultural pollutants, such as manure, from getting into waterways. They had one large situation in York Township in which 22 tandem loads of manure were removed. This was the result of a complaint from another property owner downstream. The plan in 2006 is to work with Wadsworth City on their urban program. They are also in discussion with Seville for the same program. This is part of the entities comprehensive plans. The officials tour was held a couple of weeks ago and he invited Mr. Hambley and Ms. Ray to personal tours since their schedules had not allowed them to attend.

Mrs. Geissman stated that the tour was very good and thanked Chris for putting it together.

Mrs. Geissman read a resolution commending William Bittner for his years of service with the Westfield Center Village Council. Mr. Bittner is retiring on December 31. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the commendation; Seconded by Ms. Ray.

Ms. Ray stated that Mr. Bittner is a shining example of giving, especially in these days when it is difficult in some of the villages to find people to serve in these positions.

Mrs. Geissman presented resolutions commending Goschinski's Fin, Feather & Fur Outfitters and Smith Brothers Inc. on receiving Friend of 4-H awards and for Bess Lusk, Margaret Demczyk and Sandy Turner on receiving the Meritorious Service to 4-H Awards. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the 5 commendations; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mrs. Geissman reviewed a resolution reappointing members to the County Home Advisory Council. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the reappointments; Seconded by Ms. Ray.

Mr. Hambley stated the Council was originally set up with 3 year terms. In the Council's last several meetings they have discussed and agreed upon staggered terms for the members. He noted that there is still one vacancy on the Council.

There was no further discussion.

Roll Call on the motion and second to reappoint members to the County Home Advisory Council showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mrs. Geissman reviewed a resolution appointing Chris Carey to the ADAMH Board with his term expiring June 30, 2009. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the appointment; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mrs. Geissman presented a resolution approving the amended conclusion of fact rejecting petition for annexation of 177.1326 acres from Wadsworth Township to the City of Wadsworth. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the amended conclusion; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mrs. Geissman reviewed new liquor permit notices for Grace Brothers Market & Bistro in Medina Township and Morningstar Restaurant Developers in Montville Township. These are for informational purposes only.

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.

Mrs. Geissman congratulated Mr. Hambley on receiving the Michael Berken Peace & Justice Award from the Catholic Commission of Wayne, Ashland and Medina County for his leadership with the 2000 farmland preservation initiative, his service as chairperson for the

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Rocky River Quality Transportation Task Force, the National Resources Assistance Council, and the Northeast Ohio Waste Quality Subcommittee as well as working with the Medina County Housing Network, to name a few. He will receive this award on November 5th. She added that any time an official from the county receives an award it is a great reflection on Medina County.

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

Mrs. Geissman stated that there will be a discussion session followed by an Executive Session.

Mr. Hambley moved to recess into Executive Session after the discussion session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation and personnel/appointment and employment; Seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Commissioners moved to the conference room for the discussion session, which opened at 10:08 a.m.

There was a brief discussion about Commissioners' membership with the Township Association. Ms. Ray agreed to take care of the paperwork for the 3 Commissioners as an office membership.

Jim Troike, Assistant Sanitary Engineer, reported that they will be doing smoke testing in the Chippewa Lake area for sewer rehabilitation work. Letters are being sent to residents about work that needs to be done on private properties. It is the property owners responsibility to have any problems fixed, but the department will give them any assistance they can.

Relative to discussing space needs for the Treasurer, it was noted that comments and cost information have not been received from Charles Schuetz, Mirifex. The Auditor, Recorder and Treasurer were asked for written comments and once the information is received from Charles, the commissioners will review all of the information and make a decision. This discussion was tabled until Mrs. Geissman returns from vacation in November.

Gary Hallman and Jim Bigam were present to discuss autopsy fees and morgue space at the Medina General Hospital. They had submitted a break down of costs per autopsy, which reflects the cost per autopsy to be \$957. The diener fee is increasing from \$220 to \$250 as of January 1 and there is an additional \$50 courier fee to deliver specimens if a toxicology test is needed. They need to increase the size of the morgue. Originally the morgue was next to the old emergency room in the back of the building and it is currently located in the northern addition, which was built in 1988. There is space to hold a total of 6 bodies. There hasn't been a big increase in coroner cases, noting that in 2004 there were 60 and as of September 30 they have had 35 for this year. They are asking to increase the cost paid for coroner cases to cover their actual costs. Currently the coroner pays \$505 per autopsy and there is no contract for the services. It was agreed that Ms. Ray will work with them and Chris Jakab to adjust the county's portion of costs.

At 10:25 the Commissioners recessed into Executive Session that was voted on earlier.

Commissioners adjourned the meeting immediately following the Executive Session.

At 1:30 p.m. bids were received for the County Engineer for a tree trimming aerial device, chip dump body, hydraulics & accessories from Dueco Inc., Mirk Inc. and Lift-All. The bids will be reviewed by the Engineer's Department for recommendation of award.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED:

05-1018

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

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- 05-1019 RESOLUTION COMMENDING WILLIAM R. BITTNER FOR HIS YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE WESTFIELD CENTER VILLAGE COUNCIL
- 05-1020 RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE GOSCHINSKI'S FIN, FEATHER & FUR OUTFITTERS ON RECEIVING THE FRIEND OF 4-H AWARD
- 05-1021 RESOLUTION COMMENDING SMITH BOTHERS INC. ON RECEIVING THE FRIEND OF THE 4-H AWARD
- 05-1022 RESOLUTION COMMENDING BESS LUSK ON RECEIVING THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE TO 4-H AWARD
- 05-1023 RESOLUTION COMMENDING MARGARET DEMCZYK ON RECEIVING THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE TO 4-H AWARD
- 05-1024 RESOLUTION COMMENDING SANDY TURNER ON RECEIVING THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE TO 4-H AWARD
- 05-1025 RESOLUTION APPROVING PERSONNEL CHANGES FOR THE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
- 05-1026 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2005 APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION BY TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS
- 05-1027 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION
- 05-1028 APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF MR&DD FOR TRANSIT MANAGEMENT SERVICES
- 05-1029 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FINAL ADJUSTING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR THE S.R. 42 SEWER REPLACEMENT AND S.R. 162 SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT MCSE #SR-500/200-48.3.1
- 05-1030 RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE MEDINA COUNTY HOME ADVISORY COUNCIL
- 05-1031 RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE MEDINA COUNTY ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION AND MENTAL HEALTH (ADAMH) BOARD

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05-1032 RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDED CONCLUSION OF FACT REJECTING PETITION FOR ANNEXATION OF 177.1326 ACRES OF LAND FROM WADSWORTH TOWNSHIP TO THE CITY OF WADSWORTH

05-1033 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