

COMMISSIONERS MEETING – MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2004

Sharon A. Ray called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. with Patricia G. Geissman 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 September 27 minutes was dispensed with. Each Commissioner has read them personally. Mrs. Geissman 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 a resolution to close a section of Seville road from Wednesday through Friday for culvert repairs. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the road closing; Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Commissioners reviewed the weekly permits list.

Bev Valentine, Finance Department, presented and reviewed resolutions amending the annual appropriations by transferring and increasing appropriations, purchasing fuel for the Engineering Center from Petroleum Traders, various fund transfers, accepting the general property tax amounts as determined by the Budget Commission & authorizing and certifying the necessary tax levies to the County Auditor, declaring excess property, approving a renewal agreement for Adult Probation Department oral drug testing supplies & services, and the weekly bills in the amount of \$561,413.93. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the 10 resolutions and payment of the bills; Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Gary Berkowitz, Human Resources Director, presented and reviewed the personnel resolution. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the personnel changes; Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Gary presented a resolution revising the agreement with On-The-Clock-Care of Medina General Hospital for drug and alcohol testing for on-the-job injuries. This is included in the collective bargaining agreements. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the revised agreement; 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 releasing a portion of a sanitary sewer easement at Town Center in Brunswick. The easement is longer than necessary and it causes restrictions to the property. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the release; Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Ken presented a resolution declaring the necessity of constructing waterlines in Abbeyville, Sanford, Congress, Grafton, Weigel, West Law & Palker Roads. He presented a map for review of the locations of the lines, noting that they are all small projects that will be bid as one contract for a better price. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the resolution; Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Ken presented a resolution accepting easements for a sanitary sewer project. These are all in developments and the developers are taking care of them. Mrs. Geissman moved to accept the easements; Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Ken presented a resolution accepting and awarding bids for sanitary pump stations for Valley City and Boston/Carpenter Roads. The bids were received last Thursday for 3 separate projects or as a combined project. The award is to Bay Mechanical as a combined project

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(Contract D). Mrs. Geissman moved to accept and award the bid; Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Dr. Ross Santamaria, Diversion & Forensic Services, stated that their fees are up and they are currently handling a caseload of 200. He has been working with Chris Jakab about getting a replacement for their 18-year-old copier. Parts are no longer available. They are checking to see if they can get one from another department or whether to make a joint purchase with MCDAC and First Stop. He talked to a class at Baldwin Wallace last week and will be taking a class at John Carroll for intern psychologists.

Tom Horwedel, Medina County Career Center Superintendent, reported that they have a 9/10 of a mill renovation levy on the ballot. They have been in operation for over 28 years and enrollment has increased by 100 each year in the last 5 years. They will be expanding the facility, and it should not lead to any need for an operating levy. The levy will cost \$26/year on a \$100,000 home. This is a countywide levy, except for Wadsworth. He presented written information on the levy to the Commissioners.

Jim Douth, Economic Development Corporation Director, presented a resolution approving an Enterprise Zone agreement and Enterprise Zone compensation agreement for Leitner Fabrication LTD and Beller Leitner Properties Inc. The company is located in Medina City. It is not a large project but it is for new investment of \$230,000 for machinery & equipment and a small expansion. They had worked on an application earlier this year for a warehouse for steel, but that was pulled. They will bring in 2 full time jobs to add to their current employment of 42. They applied for 50% abatement over 10 years. After meeting with the City School District and Medina City, the recommendation is for 40% abatement on real and personal property. They will make a donation of \$500 annually for 3 years to the City schools. The City of Medina approved this last week. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the Enterprise Zone agreements; Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Ms. Ray presented a resolution approving a revised drug and alcohol testing policy for Transit. She asked Gary Berkowitz if he had any information on this and he did not. She asked to table this for further discussion.

Ms. Ray presented a resolution approving the petition for annexation of 87.5498 acres of land from Brunswick Hills Township to the City of Brunswick. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the annexation; Seconded by Mr. Hambley. 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.

The Clerk read the resolution to allow expenses of county officials. Mrs. Geissman moved to allow the expenses; Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion.

Mr. Hambley noted that next week's meeting is on Tuesday due to Columbus Day falling on Monday. He asked about moving the time from 9:30 to 10:00 a.m. Everyone agreed to change the starting time for the October 12 meeting.

Mrs. Geissman moved to recess into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel/compensation and discipline; Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Commissioners reconvened the meeting at 10:35 a.m. for the discussion session.

John Stricker stated that Domestic Relations Court has requested to lease a 8 X 16 fiberglass unit or pod for storage of records. The unit has no electric or plumbing and has a clear top to allow in light. They would like to have this located next to the old Prosecutor's building.

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Through discussion it was noted that a lot of their records have to be kept for long periods of time. The unit is sealed and is animal proof. This is a temporary unit that would be used until the records could be moved elsewhere or an addition is done to the court house. The Medina City Schools will be moving the rest of their office out of the Professional Building next year and that space could possibly be used then for record storage.

Commissioners agreed that they would like to see what this unit looks like, the City of Medina needs to be checked with to be sure this is allowable at the proposed location, and a check needs to be made with Chris Jakab about possible availability of space before they will make a decision on this request.

Mrs. Geissman reported that the Railroad Safety Task Force has requested Issue 2 funding for 3 railroad crossings on the second year of their plan. Lafayette and York Townships would need to come up with matching funds and have stated that they feel providing the match is a good deal for them. Dave Miller would be the county's representative for this.

There was a review of the resolution approving revisions to the drug and alcohol testing policy for Transit. Basically the revisions are updates to the language and came about due to ODOT updates. The revisions need to be done before October 31. John Jones had gone through and meshed their updates with the current policy. Gary Berkowitz noted that the limits had not changed and that one change in the policy is that the Human Resources Director is brought into involvement for reporting. It was agreed to have the resolution added to next week's meeting packets.

Mr. Hambley noted that the Solid Waste Policy Committee meeting is tomorrow night and that all elected officials in the county and local jurisdictions have been invited for a tour immediately following the meeting. A reception will start approximately 6:00. Information will be provided at the meeting on the test burn that was done.

Mr. Hambley stated that he will be attending the Planning Commission meeting on Wednesday to represent the Commissioners for the replat of the (Akron) University parcel (in Lafayette Township). He and Dave Miller will also be attending the ODOT Trac funding meeting later this week regarding the U.S. 42 corridor. Currently the project is third on the list to receive funding in the region. They would like to have the ranking boosted up since the funding is still unknown until the feds approve the transportation bill and there are other regions to receive funding as well. The funding level won't be known for a couple more months.

Ms. Ray noted that she is on the State committee on indigent defense that is working to come up with recommendations. She has argued the point that if there isn't a revenue stream the counties won't be able to come up with the dollars. One recommendation made is a \$25 application fee for people to talk to an attorney. Background checks for indigence are costly and the money is not usually recouped. Figures are still being worked on. Another suggestion that has been made is that each county, whether there is a public defender's office or not, should have a public defenders commission that would make recommendations for attorneys for each case. There was a discussion that the current reimbursement state for indigent defense is 29% to the counties and that it is being lowered to 28%.

Ms. Ray noted that she will be at State Auditor Montgomery's regional advisory meeting tomorrow.

Gary Berkowitz stated that there is an in-service on October 27 on the Fair Labor Standards Act. Through questioning, he stated that he has received positive comments from the in-service meeting that was held last week. He feels they were glad to see the various elected offices and departments in attendance and that they were all receiving the same information.

Mrs. Geissman stated that she would like to see quarterly in-service meetings held, noting that some counties do them monthly.

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There was no further business before the Board at this time.

Mr. Hambley moved to adjourn the meeting; Seconded by Mrs. Geissman. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED:

- 04-0892 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE UPON THE TREASURER IN SETTLEMENT OF SUCH LIST OF CLAIMS

- 04-0893 RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE NECESSITY TO CLOSE SEVILLE ROAD (C.H. 46) BETWEEN WESTFIELD ROAD (C.H. 15) AND DANIELS ROAD (T.H. 246)

- 04-0894 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2004 APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION BY TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS

- 04-0895 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION

- 04-0896 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF 3,800 GALLONS OF PREMIUM UNLEADED AND 4,400 GALLONS OF REGULAR UNLEADED GASOLINE FOR THE ENGINEERING CENTER

- 04-0897 TRANSFER OF COUNTY GENERAL FUNDS TO THE MEDINA COUNTY ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION & MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

- 04-0898 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCY FUND FOR DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT MAGISTRATE SERVICES AND PROSECUTOR'S LEGAL SERVICES

- 04-0899 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE CHILDREN SERVICES IV-E FUND (0050) TO THE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FUND (0120) FOR CHILDREN SERVICES (IVE) ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURES

- 04-0900 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE CHILDREN SERVICES SCPA FUND (0050) TO THE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FUND (0120) FOR SCPA ADMINISTRATION EXPENDITURES

- 04-0901 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR

- 04-0902 RESOLUTION DECLARING MEDINA COUNTY MOTOR VEHICLES AS EXCESS PROPERTY

- 04-0903 APPROVING A RENEWAL OF AN AGREEMENT FOR MEDINA COUNTY ADULT PROBATION DEPARTMENT ORAL DRUG TESTING SUPPLIES AND SERVICES

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- 04-0904 RESOLUTION APPROVING PERSONNEL CHANGES FOR THE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
- 04-0905 REVISED AGREEMENT WITH ON-THE-CLOCK-CARE OF MEDINA GENERAL HOSPITAL FOR OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH SERVICES IN THE FORM OF DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING FOR ON-THE-JOB INJURIES
- 04-0906 RESOLUTION RELEASING A PORTION OF A SANITARY SEWER EASEMENT COCUMENT NO. 2004OR026804
- 04-0907 RESOLUTION DECLARING THE NECESSITY FOR CONSTRUCTION, APPROVING DETAILED PLANS...ADVERTISIGN FOR BIDS FOR WATERLINES LOCATED IN ABBEYVILLE ROAD, SANFORD ROAD, CONGRESS ROAD, GRAFTON ROAD, WEIGEL ROAD, WEST LAW ROAD & PALKER ROAD MCSE #W-500/00-5.1.58
- 04-0908 AUTHORIZING THE SANITARY ENGIENER TO OBTAIN AN EASEMENT FOR A SANITARY SEWER PROJECT
- 04-0909 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING & AWARING BIDS FOR...CONTRACT D-VALLEY CITY AND BOSTON/CARPENTER PUMP STATION (COMBINED CONTRACTS, A,B & C)
- 04-0910 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ENTERPRISE ZONE AGREEMENT AND ENTERPRISE ZONE COMPENSATION AGREEMENT FOR LEITNER FABRICATION LTD AND BELLER LEITNER PROPERTIES INC.
- 04-0911 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PETITION FOR ANNEXATION OF 87.5498 ACRES OF LAND KNOWN AS BEING PART OF BRUNSWICK HILLS TOWNSHIP TO THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO
- 04-0912 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW EXPENSES OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Sharon A. Ray

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia G. Geissman

Pamela J. Terrill, Clerk

Stephen D. Hambley