

## COMMISSIONERS MEETING – MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 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.

There were no minutes for review and approval at this time.

Doug King, Administrative Assistant in the County Engineer's Office, presented resolutions approving the use of Subdivision Drainage Maintenance Fund for repair work in Reserve Subdivision Phase I in Medina Township, an approving annual assessment on improvements & establishing a public watercourse for Arborcrest Reserve Subdivision of Hinckley Township and Trophy Club Subdivision Phase 2 of Medina Township. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the 3 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 resolutions amending the annual appropriations by transferring and increasing/decreasing appropriations, creation of a Probation Department OCJS-Ride Along Program Fund, Victim Assistance FY05 Fund and Office for Older Adults Home Energy Assistance Program Fund, various fund transfers, purchasing fuel for the Engineering Center from Ports Petroleum, approving a public official bond for Lynn Remington, Interim County Home Superintendent, and the weekly bills in the amount of \$784,661.85. A bill was presented to add to the bill pages to CSX Transportation in the amount of \$46,823 for the emergency bridge repair on Friendsville Road. The OCJS-Ride Along Program is a new program for the Adult Probation Department in the amount of \$34,000, which will be used mostly for new software. The Victim Assistance funding is a renewal at \$52,253 and the Home Energy Assistance Program is also a renewal at \$3,546. The bond for Lynn Remington is in accordance with ORC 5151.04 and is affective July 12, 2004. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the 9 resolutions, payment of the bills and to approve the additional bill; 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.

Ken Hotz, Sanitary Engineer, presented resolutions to accept bids for the Sanitary Engineer's meter shop, authorizing cooperative agreement for the purchase of water meters and the construction of the meter shop with the Ohio Water Development Authority, awarding the bid for a skid steer loader for the Solid Waste District, and to obtain easements for various water improvement projects. The bids for the meter shop were received last week and the trades were bid separately. This resolution accepts the bids but rejects the electrical trade bid, which was high. The resolution also authorizes the re-bidding of the electrical portion. The award for the skid steer loader is being awarded to the second lowest bidder because the lowest bidder did not meet the specifications. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the 4 resolutions; Seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mike Pataky, Child Support Enforcement Agency Director, reported that he received awards on behalf of their office last week. There are 5 incentive areas that agencies can receive awards for and they are distributed based on the size of the caseload structure. Our county is considered a large county and the agency received the awards for the highest percentage increase in paternity establishment, for the highest overall in paternity establishment, and for overall incentive categories. This is for all of the employees at the agency as well as the Prosecutor, Domestic Relations Court, Juvenile Court, and the Commissioners for allowing the agency to do what they do. Through questioning, he stated that they have a new staff attorney that will be helping in the paternity establishment area and will also be utilizing additional available collection tools that are available.

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Patrice Theken, Department of Planning Services Director, stated that the staff has been busy doing staff reports on various subdivisions. They have received resolutions of acknowledgement from the jurisdictions that received awards from the Comprehensive Planning Grant Program, and they are all ready to go. There was an article in the Ohio Planning Conference newsletter about our grant program that goes out to all planning agencies in Ohio. There is a workshop tomorrow evening on conservation easements at Wolff Creek. Chris Bunch of the Medina County Land Conservancy and Tom James, Medina County Park District Director, will be the speakers. She presented a flyer on the workshop.

Mr. Hambley stated that the resolutions from the communities accepting the planning grant is also a commitment on their part to follow through with whatever comprehensive planning they work on.

John Jones, Transit Services Director, reviewed the August report. Over all ridership is at 10,329 for the month. Ridership on the "L" was up 6.92% and the yearly total is up 8.2% over the same period last year. It appears ridership is going to increase again this year. The denial rate is just a little over 2% and on-time performance was at 94.45%. There were 3 minor accidents. The fleet miles per gallon was 9.47. They had 4 vehicle breakdowns that involved wheelchair lifts. They've been having problems with some of the vehicles leaking and he has some ideas on getting those fixed. He thanked Commissioners for their support over the last 6 years, noting that he is moving onto Colorado on the first of the month.

John Burke, Treasurer, announced that they have \$1.7 million available starting today through the Fix-It Fund Program. This is a loan program at 3% below the normal interest rates. The banks involved are Key Bank, Huntington, U.S. Bank and First Merit. The loans can be used for repair or additions to homes. Hot tubs, above ground pools and satellite dishes are excluded from the loan program. There is no income limit and loans can be made from \$1500 to \$50,000. Homeowners can have only one loan at a time. If the value of the home is a quarter million or more they do not qualify. Through questioning he stated that a loan is for 5 years and is a fixed rate. Information on the program is available online but application must be made at one of the 4 banks in the program.

Jim Douth, Economic Development Corporation Director, presented a resolution approving the Enterprise Zone agreement and Enterprise Zone compensation agreement with Value Part Inc. that is located in the Liverpool Industrial Park. The Liverpool Township Trustees and Buckeye Schools have reviewed and approved the agreements. This is for an investment of \$2.5 million in inventory for the company. The company had to decide between this plant and one in Maryland for this investment. This is a standard abatement because the State of Ohio is reducing inventory taxation levels. The inventory level on December 31 was \$5,642,345 and only the inventory above that level will be abated at 50% for 10 years. Personal property will be fully taxable. Value Part agreed to \$1,000 payments a year for the term of the agreement to Buckeye Local Schools for a scholarship and \$500 a year to the Career Center. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the Enterprise Zone agreement and compensation agreement; 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. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mr. Hambley noted that the Medina County Floodplain Management meeting this week is not being held at EMA but at the Engineering Center. Also, there is an addition of a meeting at 9:30 on Thursday for discussion on a County Transit Board.

Ms. Ray stated that that the discussion session has been cancelled today.

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Mr. Hambley moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 a.m.; Seconded by Mrs. Geissman. There was no discussion. Roll Call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

**RESOLUTIONS APPROVED:**

- 04-0847 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE UPON THE TREASURER IN SETTLEMENT OF SUCH LIST OF CLAIMS
  
- 04-0848 RESOLUTION APPROVING USE OF SUBDIVISION DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE FUND FOR REPAIR WORK IN RESERVE SUBDIVISION PHASE I IN MEDINA TOWNSHIP, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO
  
- 04-0849 RESOLUTION APPROVING ANNUAL ASSESSMENT ON IMPROVEMENTS...109.7884 ACRES OF LAND IN LOTS 39 & 42 OF HINCKLEY TOWNSHIP...ARBORCREST RESERVE SUBDIVISION...ESTABLISHING THEREBY SAID IMPROVEMENTS AS A PUBLIC WATERCOURSE
  
- 04-0850 RESOLUTION APPROVING ANNUAL ASSESSMENT ON IMPROVEMENTS...58.9660 ACRES OF MEDINA TOWNSHIP...TROPHY CLUB SUBDIVISION PH ASE 2...ESTABLISHING THEREBY SAID IMPROVEMENTS AS A PUBLIC WATERCOURSE
  
- 04-0851 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2004 APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION BY TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS
  
- 04-0852 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION
  
- 04-0853 CREATION OF A PROBATION DEPARTMENT OCJS-RIDE ALONG PROGRAM FUND AND AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATIONS
  
- 04-0854 CREATION OF THE VICTIM ASSISTANCE 4605 FUND AND AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATIONS
  
- 04-0855 CREATION OF OFFICE FOR OLDER ADULTS HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FY04 FUND AND AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATIONS
  
- 04-0856 TRANSFER OF COUNTY GENERAL FUNDS TO THE COUNTY DIVERSION PROGRAM
  
- 04-0857 CASH TRANSFERS FOR VARIOUS FUNDS
  
- 04-0858 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF 4,000 GALLONS OF PREMIUM UNLEADED AND 4,400 GALLONS OF REGULAR UNLEADED GASOLINE FOR THE ENGINEERING CENTER
  
- 04-0859 APPROVING A PUBLIC OFFICIAL BOND FOR LYNN REMINGTON, INTERIM COUNTY HOME SUPERINTENDENT

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- 04-0860 RESOLUTION APPROVING PERSONNEL CHANGES FOR THE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
- 04-0861 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BIDS FOR THE MEDINA COUNTY SANITARY ENGINEER METER SHOP AT 793 WEST SMITH ROAD, MEDINA, OHIO
- 04-0862 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF POTABLE, RESIDENTIAL WATER METERS...SANITARY ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT...CONSTRUCTION OF THE MEDINA COUNTY SANITARY ENGINEER METER SHOP...OHIO WATER DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
- 04-0863 RESOLUTION AWARDDING BID FOR ONE (1) SKID STEER LOADER TO BE UTILIZED AT THE MEDINA COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT
- 04-0864 AUTHORIZING THE SANITARY ENGINEER TO OBTAIN EASEMENTS FOR VARIOUS WATER LINE IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS
- 04-0865 RESLUTION APPROVING THE ENTERPRISE ZONE AGREEMENT AND ENTERPRISE ZONE COMPENSATION AGREEMENT FOR VALUE PART, INC.
- 04-0866 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW EXPENSES OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

**MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:**

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Sharon A. Ray

Respectfully submitted,

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Patricia G. Geissman

Pamela J. Terrill, Clerk

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Stephen D. Hambley