

COMMISSIONERS MEETING, MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2008

Patricia G. Geissman called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m. with Stephen D. Hambley and Sharon A. Ray present.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer.

The oral reading of the minutes of the November 24 Commissioners' meeting was dispensed with as each Commissioner had read them personally. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the Commissioners' meeting minutes; the motion was seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll call vote showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mike Salay, County Engineer, had nothing to present.

Scott Miller, Finance Director, presented and reviewed the following resolutions: (1) amending the 2008 Appropriations Resolutions by transferring appropriations; (2) amending the annual appropriation resolution; (3) transferring funds from the County General Fund (0010) to the Public Assistance Fund (0120) for the non-allocated portion of Child Welfare expenditures; (4) transferring funds from the County General Fund (0010) to the Children Services Fund (0055) for the board and care of County wards; (5) transferring funds from the Children Services SCPA Fund (0050) to the Public Assistance Fund (0120) for SCPA administration expenditures; (6) transferring funds from the Children Services IV-E Fund (050) to the Public Assistance Fund (0120) for Children Services (IVE) administrative expenditures; (7) authorizing the purchase of 6,700 gallons of regular unleaded gasoline from Petroleum Traders for the lowest bid price of \$1.1274 per gallon for the Engineering Center; and, (8) declaring Medina County property as excess property to be discarded or made available to the public by internet auction. Mr. Miller requested payment of the weekly bills in the amount of \$568,812.97. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the eight finance resolutions and payment of the weekly bills; the motion was seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll call vote showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Gary Berkowitz, Human Resources Director, presented and reviewed a resolution approving personnel changes for the employees under the jurisdiction of the Medina County Commissioners. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the resolution; the motion was seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll call vote showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Chris Jakab, County Administrator, presented and reviewed the following resolutions: (1) authorizing the execution of an agreement with Medical Mutual of Ohio for the provision of employee health plan services for CY 2009. Based on trends and projected expenses from four companies' proposals, including administrative and stop loss service, the low proposal was from Medical Mutual of Ohio (MMO); therefore the consultant recommended contracting with MMO again for 2009; (2) authorizing employee health plan rates for employees of Medina County for CY09 to be effective January 1, 2009. The rates will stay the same for those under the Medical Mutual Plan. Employee contributions are 10% for Plan A and 5% for Plan B. The Kaiser Plan rates increased this year. He also attached a graph showing the status of the Medina County Health Care Fund's actual cash balance and the targeted balance; they try to maintain a two-month carryover. Even by not increasing the rates, the fund should be in good shape; (3) authorizing the advertisement for bids for Adult Probation oral drug testing services to replace a two-year agreement that will expire on January 31, 2009; and, (4) authorizing the execution of an agreement for the joint construction and management of a parking facility for County Courthouse use. This agreement was approved by the City of Medina at last Monday's Council

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meeting. As a follow up to the discussion session last week, Mr. Jakab said he contacted Dave Brooks at County Risk Sharing Authority (CORSA) and sent him a copy of the agreement. He has not responded regarding the insurance-related aspects of the agreement. Mr. Jakab said that he talked to Mike Sharb, Squire Sanders (County's bond counsel), who believes that it is a small item and the County is best served by proceeding with this agreement, an excellent agreement on behalf of the County. Mr. Jakab believes that they can work through the insurance issue whether they have dual coverage and what percentage or what participation is assigned to each of the public entities, the City and the County. Although all the details have not been finalized regarding the insurance coverage, he thinks they will do it appropriately and consistent with what both the City and the County's insurance carriers would wish to see. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the first three resolutions and Ms. Ray seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call vote showed all Commissioners voting AYE. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the fourth resolution and Ms. Ray seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call vote showed Mr. Hambley and Ms. Ray voting AYE and Mrs. Geissman voting NAY.

Lynn Remington, County Home Superintendent, reported that they had two admissions and one transfer in November. There are 53 residents residing at the County Home and 3 participants in the Adult Day Care Program. One more person is expected to be admitted this week for a total of 54 residents. The activity room was painted by volunteers. Dr. Khandelwal gave a presentation to families and staff on Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) and living wills. They had a food inspection. Seventeen additional Christmas programs are scheduled in the month of December so it will be very festive. They have 12 large Christmas trees and 6 small ones. For the month, 78 individuals volunteered 355 hours of their time.

Mrs. Geissman presented a resolution reappointing Patrice Theken as a member-at-large representative and Susan Hirsch as an alternate representative on the Western Reserve Resource Conservation and Development Council with their terms to expire on December 31, 2011. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the resolution and Ms. Ray seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call vote showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

The meeting was opened for public comment and no one wished to speak.

The Clerk read the resolution to allow the expenses of County officials and another resolution to allow the expenses of the County Engineer. Mr. Hambley moved to approve both expense resolutions and Ms. Ray seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mrs. Geissman said that there would be a Discussion Session following this part of the meeting, and Executive Sessions were requested at 10:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 12:00 p.m., for the purpose of discussing personnel/appointment. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the Executive Sessions and Ms. Ray seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call vote showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

The meeting recessed at 9:47 a.m.

Discussion Session

The meeting reconvened at 9:50 a.m. for the Discussion Session in the Conference Room.

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Mr. Geissman announced that she would be attending the County Commissioners Association of Ohio (CCAO) Winter Conference in Columbus next Monday, December 8, through Wednesday, December 10. She asked the other Commissioners if the Commissioners' meeting could be moved to Thursday, December 11, if there was nothing pressing. Mr. Hambley, Ms. Ray, and County Administrator Chris Jakab agreed to move the meeting date to next Thursday.

Mrs. Geissman said that she indicated in the November 10 Discussion Session that she would discuss the Help Me Grow Program at the next CCAO Board meeting. Legislature is trying to move Help Me Grow administration from the Family First Council (FFC) to either the Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities (MRDD) or the Ohio Department of Education. Administration through FFC works well in 29 counties. There are some other counties that are administered through the Health Department and MRDD and that works well also. Therefore, CCAO has taken the stand and will lobby for each county to make their own decision. If it works well as the county has it now, they should continue to be able to do that.

Mrs. Geissman presented a resolution supporting the Medina County Family First Council administration of the Help Me Grow Program for Medina County. Mr. Hambley said

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that Governor Strickland proposed the changes; therefore, the Governor should be added to the resolution along with the legislature and the others agreed. His concern is that the Governor's proposal would cost money to reorganize and it would reduce funding for the rural counties. Mrs. Geissman added that it would be detrimental to the Medina County Family First Council. Mr. Hambley said the State had the same strategy with mental health and that is a sign of how things are being done at the State level. Mrs. Geissman said that this resolution of support should be sent to the Governor and the legislature. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the resolution as amended and Ms. Ray seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call vote showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Patrice Theken, Director of the Department of Planning Services, said that she has served on the Board of Executives of Main Street Medina (MSM) for the past year. They have been very active and have participated and/or sponsored 14 events such as the Ice Festival, the Medina County Farmers' Market, and the Candlelight Walk. Many people volunteer their time to the events. She presented a report listing all of the events as prepared by MSM. She said that they are attempting to increase membership and encouraged the Commissioners to consider a \$200 membership when preparing the 2009 budget. Mr. Jakab asked how much the City of Medina contributed and Ms. Theken said they contributed \$30,000. Mr. Hambley said they would consider the \$200 membership expense at budget time.

Mr. Jakab said that there would be a meeting with the Courthouse Expansion and Renovation Project architect from 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. that morning. He said he needed to respond to Pizzuti Solutions LLC, the Columbus company that gave a presentation at the November 3 Discussion Session to serve as the owners' representative on the Medina County Renovation and Expansion Project. The Commissioners decided to decline the offer. They felt that Pizzuti's services were for much larger projects on a different scale, such as Progressive Field and Quicken Loans Arena. Although a very nice offer, this would be a duplication of services with the architect and the construction manager that they have placed much confidence.

Mr. Jakab stated that the wireless 9-1-1 funding expires on December 31, 2008 and Medina County relies heavily on the 32-cents per month surcharge. The CCAO sent a sample letter to support extending the surcharge and he offered to prepare a letter to State legislators for their signatures. The Commissions agreed to send the letter of support.

Pam Vereb, Clerk, discussed an email she received from Kim Hart, Job & Family Services (JFS), with the results of the annual Hat and Mitten Drive. Stop'n Go Food Stores collected a total of 3,800 hats, mittens, and gloves, exceeding past donations. They donated 2,300 to Medina County JFS and 1,500 to Wayne County JFS for distribution. Those in need can obtain hats, mitten, and gloves from the front desk of JFS, 232 Northland Drive, Medina.

The meeting recessed at 10:00 a.m.

At 10:15, the Commissioners reconvened the meeting to go into the Executive Session to discuss personnel/appointment that had been voted on earlier.

The meeting recessed at 10:45 a.m.

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The Commissioners reconvened the meeting at 12:00 p.m. to go into the Executive Session to discuss personnel/appointment that had been voted on earlier.

The meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Hambley that was seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll call vote showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED 12/1/08:

<u>Number</u>	<u>Resolution Title</u>
08-1075	RESOLUTION TO ALLOW CLAIMS AND ISSUANCE UPON THE TREASURER IN SETTLEMENT OF SUCH LIST OF CLAIMS
08-1076	RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2008 APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION BY TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS
08-1077	RESOLUTION AMENDING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION
08-1078	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND (0010) TO THE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FUND (0120) FOR THE NON-ALLOCATED PORTION OF CHILD WELFARE EXPENDITURES
08-1079	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND (0010) TO THE CHILDREN'S SERVICES FUND (0055) FOR THE BOARD & CARE OF COUNTY WARDS
08-1080	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
08-1081	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
08-1082	AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF 6,700 GALLONS OF REGULAR UNLEADED GASOLINE FOR THE ENGINEERING CENTER
08-1083	RESOLUTION DECLARING MEDINA COUNTY PROPERTY AS EXCESS PROPERTY
08-1084	RESOLUTION APPROVING PERSONNEL CHANGES FOR THE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
08-1085	AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AGREEMENTS WITH MEDICAL MUTUAL OF OHIO FOR THE PROVISION OF EMPLOYEE HEALTH PLAN SERVICES FOR CY2009
08-1086	AUTHORIZING EMPLOYEE HEALTH PLAN RATES FOR EMPLOYEES OF MEDINA COUNTY FOR CY09
08-1087	AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR ADULT PROBATION ORAL DRUG TESTING SUPPLIES AND SERVICES
08-1088	AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR THE JOINT CONSTRUCTION & MANAGEMENT OF A PARKING FACILITY FOR COUNTY COURTHOUSE USE
08-1089	RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING A REPRESENTATIVE AND ALTERNATE TO THE WESTERN RESERVE RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT (RC&D) COUNCIL
08-1090	RESOLUTION TO ALLOW EXPENSES OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

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08-1091 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW EXPENSES OF THE COUNTY ENGINEER

08-1092 RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE MEDINA COUNTY FAMILY FIRST COUNCIL
ADMINISTRATION OF THE HELP ME GROW PROGRAM

All deliberations concerning official business and formal actions by this Board of Commissioners were conducted in an open public meeting this first day of December 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Vereb, Clerk

COMMISSIONERS _____
Patricia G. Geissman

OF _____
Stephen D. Hambley

MEDINA COUNTY _____
Sharon A. Ray