

COMMISSIONERS MEETING, THURSDAY, JULY 12, 2007

Sharon A. Ray called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. with Patricia G. Geissman and Stephen D. Hambley present.

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

The oral reading of the minutes of the Commissioners' meeting on July 2 was dispensed with as each Commissioner had read them personally. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the minutes; the motion was seconded Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Mike Salay, County Engineer, presented and reviewed the following resolutions: (1) determining the necessity to close Ryan Road (C.H.40) between Buffham Road (T.H.72) and Greenwich Road (C.H.97) for Phase II of the bridge demolition on I-71 over Ryan Road; (2) accepting and awarding the bid for the Issue II resurfacing of River Styx Road (C.H.49) to the Shelly Company, Twinsburg, Ohio, for the total amount of \$446,260.74; and, (3) approving the use of Subdivision Drainage Maintenance Fund for repair work in Reserve Subdivision Phase 3A in Medina Township, Medina County, Ohio. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the three resolutions and Mr. Hambley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Commissioners reviewed the weekly permits list for permits issued July 5-11, 2007.

Scott Miller, Finance Director, presented and reviewed the following resolutions: (1) amending the 2007 Appropriations Resolution by transferring appropriations; (2) revenue adjustment for the General Bond Retirement Fund and the General Fund; (3) authorizing the County Auditor to transfer funds from various county department accounts to the Medina County Print Shop revenue line item; (4) cash transfer to the General Fund for Sheriff Services; (5) approving the submission of a FY 2007 Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) Law Enforcement Grants program application; (6) approving a lease renewal option for office space for the Workforce Development Office; (7) approval of agreements for service coordinators for the Medina County Family First Council; and, (8) amending the Catholic Charities agreement for intake and referral services for the Medina County Family First Council Help Me Grow program. Mr. Miller requested payment of the weekly bills in the amount of \$729,460.20. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the eight finance resolutions and payment of the weekly bills; the motion was seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll call 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. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the resolution; the motion was seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE.

Chris Jakab, County Administrator, presented and reviewed the following resolutions: (1) to submit application for funding under the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2007 for the total amount of \$182,000; (2) approval of an agreement for pharmacy services with Medi-Wise LTC Pharmacy at the Medina County Home; and, (3) approving the acquisition of property in the Township of Westfield with funding provided by the Hazard Mitigation Program. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the three resolutions; the motion was seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE.

Jim Troike, Sanitary Engineer, presented a resolution creating a restricted water main in Wilmot Road in Liverpool Township. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the resolution; the motion was seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE.

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Debra Radecky, Office for Old Adults Director, reported on July and August programs:

July 13	Home Organizing Angels speaking on five secrets to selling stock
July 13	Hawaiian Day
July 16	Free cholesterol screening
July 18	Community Day with nursing homes
July 20	Medina General Hospital program on bone health and screening
July 24	OSU Extension program on salads, fruits, and vegetables
July 25	Bingo and movie "Happy Feet"
July 27	Health talk
August 1	Bingo
August 3	Program on preventing another stroke
August 10	90 and over birthday party

In June, the Office for Older Adults had 108 supportive units, 26 Alzheimer units, 1,290 congregate meals, 7,487 home delivered meals, 3 health units, and 1,683 transit trips.

Mike Pataky, Child Support Enforcement Agency Director, said he mentioned last month that there is a movement at the federal level to re-establish the funding that Child Support will have taken from them on October 1, 2007 unless this latest effort succeeds (SB 803 and HB 1386 Child Support Protection Act). They are still looking for more support and co-sponsors for the bill. They did "webinars" (meetings over the internet) and various organizations sponsored it. Hopefully, there will be enough support to get it into another bill on a "rider".

Mr. Pataky said they placed third in the state for Financial Institution Data Match (FIDM) collections. This is money they "freeze and seize" from bank accounts of delinquent child support obligors. This was a very good month; only about \$150 separated second and third place. Ms. Ray asked how much that program has seized for Medina County children. Mr. Pataky said probably in excess of \$50,000 to \$60,000.

Mr. Pataky thanked the Commissioners for the Resolution of Commendation for Rosemary Evans who retired and thanked Mrs. Geissman for presenting it at the party.

Ms. Ray presented a resolution appointing Laurie Price as a member to the Medina County Port Authority with her term ending on December 31, 2007. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the resolution; the motion was seconded by Mr. Hambley. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE.

The meeting was opened for public comment. Nancy Girton, Auditor's Office, announced that, as of July 2, 2007, the Homestead Exemption Program has been changed. Previously, it was based on income guidelines; the state legislature has chosen to make it an open program for anybody who is 65 years old and individuals who are totally and permanently disabled. It gives them a \$25,000 exemption on their home property, which translates to a savings in their taxes every year. They are signing up people at a rapid rate in their office in Room 102 of the Administration Building. In addition to the Auditor's Office, applications are also available at Office for Older Adults and people will be out in the community at grocery stores and other public places to sign people up. It is a great program that has been averaging a \$300-\$400 per year saving in property taxes.

David Civittolo, Agent for the Ohio State University Extension Service, reported that through June 30, 2007, they have conducted over 150 educational programs in the areas of community development, 4-H, agriculture, natural resources, and family and consumer sciences. They are averaging 10-15 people in each session. The Fair starts on Monday, July 30, and runs through Sunday, August 5. The Outstanding Court Breakfast is on July 31, at 7:30 a.m. in the Pavilion. The County Commissioners Association of Ohio (CCAO) and the Extension Service will hold their County Commissioners Days on August 14 and 15 in Van Wert County. It will be held in southern Ohio in 2008, and in 2009, they have offered to have the event in Medina County. The Farmers' Market started on June 16 and it will continue every Saturday until September 15, 9 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., on Medina Square. He thanked the Finance Department and

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County Administrator for their help. In June, they had over 80 children ages eight and under that attended their day camp for three days at the Fairgrounds. They had over 100 children go to Kelly's Island Camp for three days with ten counselors to prepare youth to be tomorrow's leaders. Everything is going well with the Extension Service.

The Clerk read the resolution to allow the expenses of county officials. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the expenses and Mr. Hambley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Ms. Ray announced that there would be a Discussion Session at 9:55 a.m. and that an Executive Session was requested at 10:05 a.m. to discuss pending litigation. Mrs. Geissman moved to allow the Executive Session. Mr. Hambley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

The meeting recessed at 9:50 a.m. for the commissioners to move to the Conference Room for the Discussion Session at 9:54 a.m.

Discussion Session

Mr. Hambley presented a 211 quarterly report for the first quarter of 2007. It listed the referrals by agency and the top three agencies called were Community Services Center (10.6% of the 888 calls), Community Action Medina (5.2%), and Medina County Job & Family Services (4.5%). There has been a gradual increase in 211 usage as the program has been promoted and more people start getting accustomed to using it. Mrs. Geissman added that she promoted it in the article she writes for the HANDS Foundation.

Chris Jakab, County Administrator, announced that there would be a department head meeting on July 25 to discuss the proposed revised personnel policy for the Commissioners' departments that Gary Berkowitz, Human Resource Director, has been working on. They should be able to finalize it soon after they get the department heads' comments and feedback. There will be changes to the travel policy so they need feedback from the Finance Director for that section.

Mr. Jakab said he and Assistant Prosecutor James Bennett are meeting today to discuss the pre-employment drug testing matter that they have been apprised of and he will report back to them.

Mr. Jakab said Sanitary Engineer Jim Troike provided them with a memo regarding revised "Medina County Sanitary Engineer Revised Rules and Regulations". He asked him to come to next Monday's meeting to discuss the highlighted changes with the Commissioners.

Ms. Ray provided a copy of a Commissioners' letter to appear in the annual Emergency Management Agency publication for the other Commissioners review and approval.

Mr. Hambley said a representative from the Auditor's Office and Treasurers' Office attended the Housing Authority's subcommittee meeting on goals and objectives where they discussed the foreclosures earlier this week and he thanked them. They are working diligently on the problem. Clerk of Courts Kathy Fortney said she would like to be involved as well. They hope to come up with ideas as to how best to facilitate helping agencies accomplish measurable improvement to deal with the problem and fill the gaps. Ms. Ray volunteered to check with the Ohio State University Extension Service who will discuss it with the local realtors.

Commissioners recessed the meeting at 10:05 and reconvened into the Executive Session that was voted on earlier to discuss pending litigation.

At 10:15 a.m., Mrs. Geissman moved to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Hambley seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

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RESOLUTIONS PASSED 7/12/07

<u>Number</u>	<u>Resolution Title</u>
07-688	TO ALLOW CLAIMS & AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE UPON THE TREASURER IN SETTLEMENT OF SUCH LIST OF CLAIMS
07-689	DETERMINING THE NECESSITY TO CLOSE RYAN ROAD (C.H.40) BETWEEN BUFFHAM ROAD (T.H.72) AND GREENWICH ROAD (C.H.97)
07-690	ACCEPTING AND AWARDDING THE BID FOR THE ISSUE II RESURFACING OF RIVER SYTX ROAD (C.H.49)
07-691	APPROVING USE OF SUBDIVISION DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE FUND FOR REPAIR WORK IN RESERVE SUBDIVISION PHASE 3A IN MEDINA TOWNSHIP, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO
07-692	AMENDING THE 2007 APRPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION BY TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS
07-693	REVENUE ADJUSTMENT FOR THE GENERAL BOND RETIREMENT FUND AND THE GENERAL FUND
07-694	AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM VARIOUS COUNTY DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS TO THE MEDINA COUNTY PRINT SHOP REVENUE LINE ITEM
07-695	CASH TRANSFER TO THE GENERAL FUND FOR SHERIFF SERVICES
07-696	APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF A FY 2007 DRUG ABUSE RESISTANCE EDUCATION (DARE) LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANTS PROGRAM APPLICATION
07-697	APPROVING A LEASE RENEWAL OPTION FOR OFFICE SPACE FOR THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE
07-698	APPROVAL OF AGREEMENTS FOR SERVICE COORDINATORS FOR THE MEDINA COUNTY FAMILY FIRST COUNCIL
07-699	AMENDING THE CATHOLIC CHARITIES AGREEMENT FOR INTAKE AND REFERRAL SERVICES FOR THE MEDINA COUNTY FAMILY FIRST COUNCIL HELP ME GROW PROGRAM
07-700	APPROVING PERSONNEL CHANGES FOR THE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
07-701	SUBMIT APPLICATION FOR FUNDING UNDER THE SMALL CITIES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007
07-702	APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT FOR PHARMACY SERVICES AT THE MEDINA COUNTY HOME
07-703	APPROVING THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WESTFIELD
07-704	CREATING A RESTRICTED WATER MAIN IN WILMOT ROAD (Sanitary Engineer Project W500/00-5.1.57.2)
07-705	APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE MEDINA COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY
07-706	ALLOW EXPENSES OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

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All deliberations concerning official business and formal actions by this Board of Commissioners were conducted in an open public meeting this twelfth day of July, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Vereb, Clerk

COMMISSIONERS

Sharon A. Ray

OF

Patricia G. Geissman

MEDINA COUNTY

Stephen D. Hambley