

## COMMISSIONERS MEETING, MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2007

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

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

The oral reading of the minutes of February 26 meeting, and the March 2 special meeting were dispensed with as each Commissioner had read them personally. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the February 26 and March 2 meeting minutes; the motion was seconded Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll call showed both commissioners voting AYE.

Doug King, Administrative Assistant in the County Engineer's Office, presented a resolution to purchase three new model year cabs and chassis and a new model year seven-passenger minivan.

Mr. King also presented a resolution accepting and awarding the bid for aerial photography and digital orthophotos of Medina County to Kucera International, Inc. of Willoughby, Ohio, for the price of \$89,500.00. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the two resolutions and Ms. Ray seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed both Commissioners voting AYE.

Commissioners reviewed two weekly permits lists for permits issued February 15-21, 2007 and February 22-28, 2007.

Scott Miller, Finance Director, presented and reviewed the following resolutions: (1) authorizing a cash transfer for the Medina County Emergency Management Agency in the total amount of \$74,473.00; (2) authorizing cash transfers for Family First Council in the amount of \$9,735.50; (3) accepting a two-year lease agreement with the Medina County Educational Service Center in the Professional Building; (4) approving an agreement providing Juvenile Court Services pursuant to the requirements of Title IV-D of the Social Security Act; (5) approving an agreement providing Prosecutor's legal services pursuant to the requirements of Title IV-D of the Social Security Act; (6) declaring Medina County Transit motor vehicles as excess property making them available to be sold; and, (7); declaring Medina County property as excess property - property listed in Table A will be discarded and property listed in Table B can be sold on the county's internet auction. Mr. Miller requested payment of the weekly bills in the amount of \$747,765.89. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the seven finance resolutions and payment of the weekly bills; the motion was seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll call showed both 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 showed both commissioners voting AYE.

Chris Jakab, County Administrator, presented a resolution approving agreements for the continuation of services during CY07 for the inmates at the Medina County Jail with: (1) Alternative Paths, Inc. for the provision of comprehensive mental health and substance abuse counseling services for the total amount of \$315,137.00; (2) Medina County Career Center for

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literacy services in the amount of \$63,649.00; and, (3) Ohio State University Extension Service for parenting programs in the total amount of \$1,065.00.

Mr. Jakab presented another resolution supporting Medina County Public Transit's recommendation to nominate the Medina County Commissioners as the designated recipient for New Freedom and Job Access and Reverse Commute Funds for Medina County. Mr. Hambley moved to approve both resolutions and Ms. Ray seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed both Commissioners voting AYE.

Jim Troike, Sanitary Engineer, presented a resolution authorizing the renewal of the contract with Agri-Sludge, Inc. for the hauling and disposal of liquid sludge for various Medina County wastewater facilities. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the resolution; the motion was seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll call showed both commissioners voting AYE.

Lynn Remington, County Home Superintendent, reported that they had 47 residents at the beginning of February 2007 and one release to Hospice; there were 46 residents at the end of the month. Two additional residents were added since then for a total of 48. They started working with the Medina County Career Center Culinary Arts and Textile Service classes who come to the County Home on Wednesdays and Thursdays for 1-1/2 hours in the kitchen area. Two bedrooms and the hallway have been painted by volunteers. Some upcoming events are the Red Hat Ladies' luncheon, St. Patrick's Day party, and a Magic Show. They received many donations including 20 mattresses from the Friends of Medina County Home. Ms. Remington commended and thanked the volunteers and employees that helped with ice and snow removal and also the Maintenance Department for their assistance with maintenance. They had 154 individuals volunteer 380.5 hours of work in February. She announced that the Swine N Dine will be held on Sunday, September 9, 2007.

Dr. Ross Santamaria, Diversion and Forensic Services Director, presented a report on statistics kept by his office. He provides psychological testing for the courts, police, Sheriff's Office, and some county employees. The first report showed an historical perspective of his program showing the number of cases dating back to 1982. Another report showed more detail of the cases (offense type, gender, offender age, reason for referral, and numbers). A majority of the open cases are alcohol-related, underage drinking and underage possession, and many are for theft. The number of female offenders to male offenders is almost equal. The 18-21 years old age-bracket accounts for half of the offender population. His forensic cases are referred by the municipal courts, Sheriff's Office and local police departments. The original grant, 30 years ago, included funds for an investigator. Diversion no longer has an investigator on staff, but instead, has a "trade-off" with the police, Sheriff's Office and the courts. Dr. Santamaria noted that they would be updating the computers with new software soon so they will be able to create a database and provide this information on a regular basis.

Ms. Ray presented a resolution appointing Rosemary Lempke as an alternate representative for the Medina County Commissioners on the Medina County Drug Abuse Commission (MCDAC) with her term expiring on December 31, 2009. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the resolution and Ms. Ray seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed both Commissioners voting AYE.

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Ms. Ray presented a resolution reappointing Felix Theys, a registered mechanical engineer, to the Medina County Board of Building Appeals with his term expiring on March 5, 2012. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the resolution; the motion was seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll call showed both commissioners voting AYE.

Ms. Ray read a resolution amending resolution 07-025 appointing county commissioners to various committees and areas of direct responsibility for the year 2007. The amendment was to appoint Commissioner Stephen D. Hambley as the Community Improvement Board (CIB) commissioner liaison for the year 2007. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the resolution; seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll call showed both commissioners voting AYE.

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

The meeting was opened for public comment. There was no one wishing to speak.

Mr. Hambley announced that the Commissioners would be interviewing for the Community Improvement Board at the 1:00 Executive Session. The City of Brunswick forwarded the Mayor's recommendations for Brunswick's CIB appointments. Brunswick City Council will hold a special session this evening to confirm those appointments. Mayor Dale Strasser has recommended Don Moll, Bob Zienkowski and Nancy Zelei. Once the appointments are complete, under the code, the CIB must meet within ten days. The Commissioners' Office will announce the CIB public meeting.

Mr. Hambley requested and made a motion for an Executive Session at 1:00 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel appointment. Ms. Ray seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed both 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 9:56 a.m.

### Discussion Session

Judge John Lohn, Juvenile Court Judge, presented copies of the amendments to the RECLAIM Juvenile Justice budget for review. He said the Commissioners are the fiscal agents for the receipts of the state grant and he wanted to fulfill his commitment to share any changes with his court so they are "all on the same page". It is basically the same budget except there is a notable decrease under Shelter Care because the New Horizon Program ended in August 2006. They will still be utilizing the building for drug abuse counselors and Drug Court programs. They increased the Substance Abuse line item by about \$54,000 because they are making a capital purchase of an automobile for the probation officers to use to check and test the juvenile offenders. They will also be purchasing furniture for the New Horizons building. It is likely that soon they would not be able to aggregate more than one year's budget amount of the grant so they feel it would be a good time make the purchases and keep the money in Medina County. Judge Lohn told the Commissioners about upgrading their monitoring system from undependable ankle bracelets (that needed to be close to a telephone to work and had a short

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battery life) to new technology ankle bracelets that will be able to not only monitor the youth with global positioning system (GPS), but also will detect if they drink alcohol by use of a transdermal sensor. Alcohol is a very common substance for youth to use and abuse and it is very transitory; it metabolizes quickly, unlike marijuana that can be detected in the system for a few days. There is the option to rent the equipment, but they determined it would be less expensive per day to purchase some of the bracelets so they will be purchasing 20 bracelets for about \$45,000 of the state grant money. They will try it out with the Drug Court youth first as a part of the pilot program and then use it for general probation. Another amendment is a \$32,000 increase to expand mental health counseling. They are partnering with Oaks Family Care with offices in Brunswick and Lodi. They are also partnering with Child Family Intervention Team (CFIT) for a summer camp for youth that have serious mental illness issues.

Ms. Ray asked about the parameters of the GPS and how it works. Judge Lohn explained that they can see graphically where all the probationers are and they will know where the person is within three feet. Any time a probation officer wants to know where a probationer is, they can check it on the computer at the website. It might seem obtrusive, but it actually helps the young people. If he/she knows they would test positively for alcohol, they are less likely to drink it. They try to remove the temptation. He saw a presentation and it has worked effectively for other counties.

Mr. Hambley asked where the youth go that require shelter care. Judge Lohn said they are going to a facility in Mahoning County and sometimes to foster care with Job and Family Services. If they are criminally involved and are at risk to do physical harm to themselves or the community, they go to the Juvenile Detention Center. They average about 20 beds of 30 available beds.

Mr. Jakab said the Finance Department would review the figures and then the Commissioners could sign the papers today. Judge Lohn commended the Scott Miller, Finance Director, for being so helpful.

Mr. Miller said they reviewed the county's mileage reimbursement for personal vehicle usage (currently \$.38 per mile) to see if it needed changed. The calculation assumptions show the rate to be approximately the same so they decided to take no action at this time. Ms. Ray pointed out that it could be revisited if something changes. Upon questioning, Mr. Miller said the average price per gallon paid was \$2.50 per gallon.

Mr. Hambley said that the Port Authority asked if the Medina County Business Technology Park could be changed to Medina County Innovation Park. CB Ellis, who does the marketing, said it would be a better name and fits better. He talked to Commissioner Geissman before she left and she approved and Ms. Ray also approved. Mr. Hambley said he would communicate that at Wednesday's Port Authority meeting. They will also have a briefing of the fiber optic project at that meeting.

The meeting recessed at 10:08 a.m.

Commissioners reconvened at 1:00 p.m. to go into the Executive Session to discuss personnel/appointment that was voted upon earlier.

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At 2:11 p.m., Mr. Hambley motioned to adjourn the meeting and Ms. Ray seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

### RESOLUTIONS PASSED 3/5/07

<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>RESOLUTION TITLE</u>
07-177	RESOLUTION TO ALLOW CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE UPON THE TREASURER IN SETTLEMENT OF SUCH LIST OF CLAIMS
07-178	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MEDINA COUNTY ENGINEERS TO PURCHASE 3 NEW MODEL YEAR CABS AND CHASSIS AND 1 NEW MODEL YEAR MINI 7-PASSENGER VAN
07-179	RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND AWARDED THE BID FOR AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY AND DIGITAL ORTOPHOTOS OF MEDINA COUNTY OHIO
07-180	AUTHORIZING A CASH TRANSFER FOR THE MEDINA COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY
07-181	CASH TRANSFERS FOR FAMILY FIRST COUNCIL FUNDS
07-182	RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE MEDINA COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER
07-183	APPROVING AN AGREEMENT PROVIDING JUVENILE COURT SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF TITLE IV-D OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
07-184	APPROVING AN AGREEMENT PROVIDING PROSECUTOR'S LEGAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF TITLE IV-D OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
07-185	RESOLUTION DECLARING MEDINA COUNTY MOTOR VEHICLES AS EXCESS PROPERTY
07-186	RESOLUTION DECLARING MEDINA COUNTY PROPERTY AS EXCESS PROPERTY
07-187	RESOLUTION APPROVING PERSONNEL CHANGES FOR THE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
07-188	APPROVAL OF AGREEMENTS FOR MENTAL HEALTH, LITERACY, AND PARENTING PROGRAM SERVICES AT THE MEDINA COUNTY JAIL
07-189	RESOLUTION SUPPORTING MEDINA COUNTY PUBLIC TRANSIT'S RECOMMENDATION TO NOMINATE THE MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AS THE DESIGNATED RECIPIENT FOR NEW FREEDOM AND JOB ACCESS AND

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REVERSE COMMUTE FUNDS FOR MEDINA COUNTY OHIO

- 07-190 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF THE CONTRACT WITH AGRISLUDGE INC FOR THE HAULING AND DISPOSAL OF CAKE SLUDGE AND HAULING OF LIQUID SLUDGE FOR VARIOUS MEDINA COUNTY WASTEWATER FACILITIES
  
- 07-191 RESOLUTION APPOINTING AN ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO THE MEDINA COUNTY DRUG ABUSE COMMISSION (MCDAC)
  
- 07-192 RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING A REGISTERED MECHANICAL ENGINEER TO THE MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF BUILDING APPEALS
  
- 07-193 RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 07-025 APPOINTING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO VARIOUS COMMITTEES AND AREAS OF DIRECT RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE YEAR 2007
  
- 07-194 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW EXPENSES OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

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

Respectfully submitted,

COMMISSIONERS \_\_\_\_\_  
Sharon A. Ray

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Pam Vereb, Clerk

MEDINA COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_  
Stephen D. Hambley