

Stephen D. Hambley called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. with Aaron M. Harrison and Colleen M. Swedyk present. The meeting was held in the commissioners' hearing room and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer.

The minutes of the January 16, 2024 Commissioners' meeting were emailed in advance. Mr. Harrison moved to approve the minutes; Mrs. Swedyk seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

Public Comment regarding pending resolutions

None

Resolutions

County Engineer Administrative Assistant Dan Becker presented and reviewed the following resolutions:

1. Accepting and awarding the bid for the 2024 Medina County Highway Department hot bituminous plant mixes through December 31, 2024
2. Accepting and awarding the 2024 Friendsville Road Improvement Project OPWC No. DIAA02 in Medina County, Ohio for the Medina County Engineer
3. Accepting and awarding the bids for the 2024 Medina County aggregate bid for the Medina County Engineer
4. Approving annual assessment on improvements constructed under the authority of Section 6131.63 Ohio Revised Code on 8.8137 acres of land in Lot 32 of Montville Township known as Cobblestone Park Subdivision Phase 3B and thereby establishing said improvements as a public watercourse
5. Approving the final plat for Cobblestone Park Subdivision Phase 3B located in Montville Township lot 32

Mr. Harrison moved to approve the five resolutions; Mrs. Swedyk seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

The commissioners reviewed the weekly permits issued January 11-17, 2024.

Economic Development Corporation Executive Director Bethany Dentler presented and reviewed the following resolutions:

1. Appointing a representative to the Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) Housing Council and Enterprise Zone Tax Incentive Review Council

Mr. Harrison moved to approve the resolution; Mrs. Swedyk seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

2. Establishing and describing the boundaries of a Community Reinvestment Area within Harrisville Township as permitted in Sections 3735.65 to 3735.70 of the Ohio Revised Code, and designating a housing officer to administer the program

Mrs. Swedyk moved to approve the resolution; Mr. Hambley seconded the motion. Mr. Harrison stated that he would be abstaining due to a potential conflict. There was no further discussion. Roll call showed Commissioners Swedyk and Hambley voting AYE; Mr. Harrison abstained. The motion carried.

Planning Services Director Denise Testa presented and reviewed the following resolutions:

1. Authorizing the signature and submission of the grant agreement for Program Year 2023 Lead Safe Ohio Program
2. Authorizing an agreement with Kleinfelder for program management services of the Medina County Program Year 2023 Lead Safe Ohio Program
3. Authorizing the signature and submission of the grant agreements for Program Year 2023 Community Housing Impact and Preservation Program (CHIP)
4. Authorizing a professional services agreement with Kleinfelder for program management services of the Medina County Program Year 2023 Community Housing Impact and Preservation Program (CHIP)

Mr. Harrison moved to approve the four resolutions; Mrs. Swedyk seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

Human Resources Director Holly Muren presented and reviewed the following resolution:

1. Approving personnel changes for the employees under the jurisdiction of the Medina County Commissioners

Mr. Harrison moved to approve the resolution; Mrs. Swedyk seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

Finance Director Brett Thomas presented and reviewed the following resolutions:

1. Authorizing the county auditor to transfer funds from various county department accounts to the Medina County Print Shop revenue line item

2. Authorizing the county auditor to transfer funds from various county department accounts to the Gasoline Rotary fund
3. Sales tax distribution to the various districts located in Medina County
4. Allowing claims and authorizing issuance upon the treasurer in settlement of such list of claims in the amount of \$5,380,691.56

Mr. Harrison moved to approve the four resolutions; Mrs. Swedyk seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

County Administrator Chris Jakab presented and reviewed the following resolutions:

1. Authorizing a change order for the Medina County Office for Older Adults Kitchen Renovation Project
2. Accepting the HEAP Program funding for the Office for Older Adults for SFY 2024
3. Amending an agreement with the City of Wadsworth for residential inspection services and building plan reviews through the Medina County Building Department
4. Approving a subgrant to the Medina Metropolitan Housing Authority to support the public health response to Covid-19 with funding for an Emergency Housing Assistance Program through use of state and local fiscal recovery funds as established under the American Rescue Plan
5. Authorizing the bid process for the purchase of new vehicles for use by the Medina County Sheriff's Office

Mr. Harrison moved to approve the five resolutions; Mrs. Swedyk seconded the motion. Mr. Hambley stated that the board is excited to continue their support for the emergency housing shelter. He noted the collaboration between the commissioners and the various entities including Metropolitan Housing, the State of Ohio and the members of the Housing Network. Once this gets constructed, the operations are the most important portion – getting people in and moving up to the next step on their path to stability and good housing. He stated that he is glad they are able to move this forward. There was no further discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

Department Updates

Job & Family Services Director Debbie Kiley presented and reviewed the following resolutions:

1. Authorizing the county auditor to transfer funds from the JFS Children Services SCPA fund (0050) to the JFS Public Assistance fund (0120) for SCPA administration expenditures
2. Authorizing the county auditor to transfer funds from the JFS Children Services IV-E fund (0050) to the JFS Public Assistance fund (0120) for Children Services (IVE) administrative expenditures

Mr. Harrison moved to approve the two resolutions; Mrs. Swedyk seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

Ms. Kiley then reviewed the following 2023 statistics of her department:

- Eligibility – processed 9,300 applications for assistance; issued more than \$21M in SNAP benefits and over \$1M in cash assistance; and renewed coverage on more than 13,000 Medicaid cases
- Child Support – collected \$24M in current support payments; \$2M in past due support payments
- Child Protective – screened more than 1,800 reports of abuse/neglect; averaged 149 children in care; 58 current foster homes (8 are kinship foster homes); division recognized by the state for their investigative efforts which awarded them significant incentive dollars

In 2024, they start the year with approximately 2,000 more cases to determine eligibility on from that post-pandemic termination which includes new requests for assistance. They have 142 children in care and are working on an effort to improve case worker family relations and increase reunification efforts. Child Support continues to increase their collection on past due cases while implementing more technological practices and processes.

Transit Director Shannon Rine reported that ridership in Medina in December 2022 was 531 trips; December 2023 was 1,081. Wadsworth continues to be promising and Brunswick is just getting started. Ridership is increasing. They provided 7,735 more trips in 2023 over 2022, and revenue miles were down. They saved 6,200 gallons of fuel from the previous year and provided 7,735 more trips which equated to a savings in fuel costs of about \$4,000. He will be speaking with several groups over the next month. He noted that trips denials in December was only 2 – December of 2022 was 42. He stated that the EZ-Fare payment system has been authorized to go with Google Pay and Apple Pay. They recently received a couple of vehicles that they are putting into service and are expecting another 8 in March. He noted that he is working with Human Resources and JFS to update their Title VI plan which will close out their triennial review finding they have been waiting on since May.

Board of Developmental Disabilities Superintendent Stacey Maleckar reported that their 2024 Action Plan has been approved. They recently received additional ARPA funding for accessibility and are looking to purchase adult changing tables and portable ramps. These funds must be spent this calendar year, and her office is making contacts with various entities to determine the best locations for these items. The Toddle Winter Plan Program will be held tomorrow in Brunswick from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. This has been a successful program. They are now accepting applications for their Leadership Academy with the hope of enrolling 6-8 participants.

Public Comment

None

With no further business to come before the Commissioners, the meeting recessed at 9:52 a.m.

Discussion Session

At 9:52 a.m., the Commissioners began the Discussion Session in the Commissioners’ Hearing Room.

There were no items for discussion.

Adjournment

Mr. Harrison moved to adjourn the meeting; Mrs. Swedyk seconded the motion. Mr. Hambley noted that the commissioners will be holding budget hearings today with various departments and the public is welcome to attend, but they will not be livestreamed. There was no further discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED JANUARY 23, 2024

<u>Number</u>	<u>Resolution Title</u>
24-0056	Accepting and awarding the bid for the 2024 Medina County Highway Department hot bituminous plant mixes through December 31, 2024
24-0057	Accepting and awarding the 2024 Friendsville Road Improvement Project OPWC No. DIAA02 in Medina County, Ohio for the Medina County Engineer
24-0058	Accepting and awarding the bids for the 2024 Medina County aggregate bid for the Medina County Engineer
24-0059	Approving annual assessment on improvements constructed under the authority of Section 6131.63 Ohio Revised Code on 8.8137 acres of land in Lot 32 of Montville Township known as Cobblestone Park Subdivision Phase 3B and thereby establishing said improvements as a public watercourse
24-0060	Approving the final plat for Cobblestone Park Subdivision Phase 3B located in Montville Township lot 32
24-0061	Appointing a representative to the Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) Housing Council and Enterprise Zone Tax Incentive Review Council
24-0062	Establishing and describing the boundaries of a Community Reinvestment Area within Harrisville Township as permitted in Sections 3735.65 to 3735.70 of the Ohio Revised Code, and designating a housing officer to administer the program
24-0063	Authorizing the signature and submission of the grant agreement for Program Year 2023 Lead Safe Ohio Program
24-0064	Authorizing an agreement with Kleinfelder for program management services of the Medina County Program Year 2023 Lead Safe Ohio Program
24-0065	Authorizing the signature and submission of the grant agreements for Program Year 2023 Community Housing Impact and Preservation Program (CHIP)
24-0066	Authorizing a professional services agreement with Kleinfelder for program management services of the Medina County Program Year 2023 Community Housing Impact and Preservation Program (CHIP)
24-0067	Approving personnel changes for the employees under the jurisdiction of the Medina County Commissioners
24-0068	Authorizing the county auditor to transfer funds from various county department accounts to the Medina County Print Shop revenue line item
24-0069	Authorizing the county auditor to transfer funds from various county department accounts to the Gasoline Rotary fund
24-0070	Sales tax distribution to the various districts located in Medina County
24-0071	Allowing claims and authorizing issuance upon the treasurer in settlement of such list of claims
24-0072	Authorizing a change order for the Medina County Office for Older Adults Kitchen Renovation Project
24-0073	Accepting the HEAP Program funding for the Office for Older Adults for SFY 2024
24-0074	Amending an agreement with the City of Wadsworth for residential inspection services and building plan reviews through the Medina County Building Department
24-0075	Approving a subgrant to the Medina Metropolitan Housing Authority to support the public health response to Covid-19 with funding for an Emergency Housing Assistance Program through use of state and local fiscal recovery funds as established under the American Rescue Plan
24-0076	Authorizing the bid process for the purchase of new vehicles for use by the Medina County Sheriff’s Office
24-0077	Authorizing the county auditor to transfer funds from the JFS Children Services SCPA fund (0050) to the JFS Public Assistance fund (0120) for SCPA administration expenditures
24-0078	Authorizing the county auditor to transfer funds from the JFS Children Services IV-E fund (0050) to the JFS Public Assistance fund (0120) for Children Services (IVE) administrative expenditures

All deliberations concerning official business and formal actions by this Board of Commissioners were conducted in an open public meeting this twenty-third day of January 2024.

Respectfully submitted,	COMMISSIONERS	_____ Aaron M. Harrison
	OF	_____ Colleen M. Swedyk
_____ Rhonda J. Beck Clerk to the Commissioners	MEDINA COUNTY	_____ Stephen D. Hambley