

Patricia G. Geissman called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. with Colleen M. Swedyk and William F. Hutson present. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer.

The minutes of the July 9, 2019 commissioners' meeting were emailed in advance. Mrs. Swedyk moved to approve the minutes; Mr. Hutson seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE. The motion carried.

Highway Engineer Andy Conrad presented and reviewed the following resolutions: (1) determining the necessity to close Congress Road (CH-29) between Lafayette Road (SR-42) and Crawford Road (TH-80); (2) determining the necessity to close New London Eastern Road (CH-84) between Spencer Road (SR-301) and Camp Road (TH-36); (3) accepting and awarding the bid for the CH-13 Boston Road & CH-42 Grafton Road improvement project for the Medina County engineer; (4) authorizing the President of the Board of County Commissioners to submit applications and execute contracts to the Ohio Public Works Commission for Issue 1 funding; and (5) accepting and awarding the 2019 Medina County Highway Garage Resurfacing Project for the Medina County Engineer. Mrs. Swedyk moved to approve the five resolutions; Mr. Hutson seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

The commissioners reviewed the permits issued June 27-July 10, 2019

Finance Director Mike Pataky presented and reviewed the following resolutions: (1) amending the annual appropriations resolution by transferring appropriations; (2) amending the 2019 appropriations resolution by transferring appropriations; (3) authorizing the county auditor to transfer funds from various county department accounts to the Medina County cleaning revenue line item; (4) authorizing the county auditor to transfer funds from various county department accounts to the gasoline rotary fund; (5) authorizing the county auditor to transfer funds from various county department accounts to the Medina County department accounts to the Medina County Print Shop revenue line item; (6) approving a modified purchase of service agreement between the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging and the Medina County Board of Commissioners for the Office for Older Adults for FY 2019; (7) approving a fiduciary agreement between the Medina County Board of Commissioners, the Medina County Prosecutor's Office, and the Medina County Drug Task Force for the Federal Equitable Sharing Program; (8) approving a lease agreement between Sustain Ed and the Medina County Board of Commissioners; (9) authorizing a Request for Qualifications process for design services for temporary space for court operations; (10) allowing expenses of the adult probation department; and (11) allowing expenses of county officials. Mr. Pataky requested payment of the weekly bills in the amount of \$1,407,382.16. Mrs. Swedyk moved to approve the eleven resolutions and to pay the bills; Mr. Hutson seconded the motion. Mr. Hutson stated that regarding the lease with Sustain Ed, they had indicated that they would be providing a design, however, no designs have been provided to date. The commissioners agreed that they will sign the lease after acceptable design site plans have been submitted by Sustain Ed. There was no further discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

Human Resources Assistant Nicole Lee presented and reviewed a resolution approving personnel changes for the employees under the jurisdiction of the Medina County commissioners. Mrs. Swedyk moved to approve the resolution; Mr. Hutson seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

Chief Building Official Chris Randles reported that commercial review times are currently at seven days; residential is at six days. They have now had two months in a row with commercial review times under ten days. Total estimated value of constructions was \$19,320,661. Year to date compared to last year, they have had a 4 percent increase of construction value – residential is actually down by 12 percent, but commercial is up by 61 percent. The number of permits issued is down 13 percent from last year and there have been 41 new home starts for the month of June. Commissioner Swedyk noted the increase in new home starts in Westfield Township.

Public Comment

None.

With no further business to come before the Commissioners, the meeting recessed at 9:38a.m.

Discussion Session

At 9:38 a.m., the Commissioners began the Discussion Session in the Commissioners' conference room.

Courthouse Protest

Commissioner Hutson stated that there were four individuals who spoke at the protest in various manners of opposition to what the commissioners and/or city are doing. One of their principle objections was that they believed the whole project including funding should be put up to a vote of the electorate. He explained to them that it was part of their statutory obligation as commissioners to provide facilities for all of the county departments, including the courthouse, and that they were not going to put it up to a vote. Commissioner

Geissman stated that it's the amount of money that scares some people. She stated that she knows Mr. Hutson did a good job.

60 Public Square

Steven Basteen stated that they are remodeling the third floor of 60 Public Square and getting ready for the prosecutor's office. He anticipates completion on Friday in anticipation of their move on Monday. Mr. Hutson noted that he advised Mayor Hanwell of this move and he was okay with it.

Tour

Commissioner Swedyk reported that they took a tour of a school that could potential serve as a temporary location for court operations; it had potential. Commissioner Geissman noted that she has been in it and it is a nice building. Mrs. Swedyk stated that it is about 48,000 sq. ft. and has ADA compliant restrooms, and has a lot of possibilities and would only be temporary.

Feasibility Study

Stan Scheetz inquired about the feasibility study of the courthouse project. Mr. Hutson explained it was a study to determine if the municipal court and common pleas court would both fit on that site. There was discussion regarding the financial contributions from the City of Medina. Mr. Scheetz stated that absolutely no alternative was looked at in relation to the feasibility of remodeling versus tearing down. Mr. Hutson answered that was absolutely untrue. There were extensive discussions regarding remodeling the existing courthouse. Mr. Scheetz asked if there was a feasibility study done regarding remodeling. Mr. Hutson stated that they can go back to the architect because it was talked about the cost per square foot to renovate and the practical difficulties because of the way the building is constructed. Mr. Scheetz stated that at one time it looked like there were other viable alternatives simply by attaching a rotunda on the back, having private elevators for police and inmates, public entrance on the north side and simply add 45,000. Steven Basteen explained that total space of the two courthouses is about 55,000 sq. ft. The useable space of actual occupied offices is about 29,000-30,000 plus common space is another 10,000 sq. ft. Silling had done some drawings back in 2008 and you can't use those drawings anymore as they are no longer within ADA compliance and the courthouse security regulations have also changed. Mr. Scheetz stated that from his perspective as a builder, developer, entrepreneur you could end up with a building that's 90,000-95,000 sq. ft. if you simply did an addition and made it ADA compliant and then move the old courthouse people into the new courthouse temporarily and then simply back into the new quarters once it was remodeled. It would be a much smoother move and shorter move than ten miles.

Adjournment

Mrs. Swedyk moved to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Hutson seconded the motion. Roll call showed both commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:48 a.m.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED JULY 16, 2019

<u>Number</u>	<u>Resolution Title</u>
19-0652	Allowing claims and authorizing issuance upon the treasurer in settlement of such list of claims
19-0653	Determining the necessity to close Congress Road (CH-29) between Lafayette Road (SR-42) and Crawford Road (TH-80)
19-0654	Determining the necessity to close New London Eastern Road (CH-84) between Spencer Road (SR-301) and Camp Road (TH-36)
19-0655	Authorizing the President of the Board of County Commissioners to submit applications and execute contracts to the Ohio Public Works Commission for Issue 1 funding
19-0656	Accepting and awarding the bid for the CH-13 Boston Road & CH-42 Grafton Road improvement project for the Medina County engineer
19-0657	Accepting and awarding the 2019 Medina County Highway Garage Resurfacing Project for the Medina County Engineer
19-0658	Amending the annual appropriation resolution
19-0659	Amending the 2019 appropriations resolution by transferring appropriations
19-0660	Authorizing the county auditor to transfer funds from various county department accounts to the Medina County Cleaning Revenue Line Item
19-0661	Authorizing the county auditor to transfer funds from various county department accounts to the Gasoline Rotary Fund
19-0662	Authorizing the county auditor to transfer funds from various county department accounts to the Medina County Print Shop Revenue Line Item
19-0663	Approving a modified purchase of service agreement between the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging and the Medina County Board of Commissioners for the Office for Older Adults for FY 2019
19-0664	Approving a fiduciary agreement between the Medina County Board of Commissioners, the Medina County Prosecutor's Office, and the Medina County Drug Task Force for the Federal Equitable Sharing Program
19-0665	Authorizing a lease agreement between Sustain Ed and the Medina County Board of Commissioners
19-0666	Authorizing a request for qualifications process for design services for temporary space for court operations
19-0667	Allowing expenses of the adult probation department
19-0668	Allowing expenses of county officials
19-0669	Approving personnel changes for employees under the jurisdiction of the Medina County Commissioners

All deliberations concerning official business and formal actions by this Board of Commissioners were conducted in an open public meeting this sixteenth day of July, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMISSIONERS

Patricia G. Geissman

OF

William F. Hutson

Rhonda J. Beck
Clerk to the Commissioners

MEDINA COUNTY

Colleen M. Swedyk