

Colleen M. Swedyk called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. with Patricia G. Geissman present; Mr. Hutson was unable to attend regular session. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer.

The minutes of the May 26, 2020, 2020 commissioners' meeting were emailed in advance. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the minutes; Mrs. Swedyk seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed both commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

Finance Director Mike Pataky presented and reviewed the following resolutions: (1) determining the necessity to close Mennonite Road (C.H. 51) between Greenwich Road (C.H. 97) and Seville Road (C.H.16); (2) determining the necessity to close Remsen Road (C.H. 37) between State Road (C.H. 44) and Ridge Road (S.R. 94); (3) establishing bridge load limits in Medina County; (4) revenue adjustments for various funds; (5) authorizing the purchase of 7,100 gallons of regular unleaded gasoline for the Engineering Center; (6) approving the submission of the FY 2021 Felony Delinquent Care/Reclaim Grant Application; (7) declaring Medina County property as excess property (8) declaring Medina County property as excess property with attempt to refurbish; (9) allowing claims and authorizing issuance upon the treasurer in settlement of such list of claims in the amount of \$573,390.89; (10) approving personnel changes for the employees under the jurisdiction of the Medina County Commissioners; (11) authorizing a legal services agreement with Eastman and Smith LTD.; (12) authorizing cooperative agreement between the County of Medina and the Ohio Water Development Authority for the Sharon Township Water and Sewer Improvements; and (13) approving the acceptance of funding from the Federal Transit Authority for CARES Act 2020 Program Grants. Mrs. Geissman moved to approve the 13 resolutions; Mrs. Swedyk seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

Alex Pavloff, Ohio Secretary of State Regional Liaison, stated that he is visiting commissioners to offer ways their office is available to assist local government. The Secretary of State's office has two main functions – to help administer elections in the State of Ohio and to assist people start new businesses. He noted that people continue to start new businesses in Ohio despite everything that is going on economically. They love to highlight local businesses, especially those with stories they feel the rest of the state should hear. They have previously highlighted the A.I. Root Company in Medina as well as others.

Regarding elections, Mr. Pavloff stated that he works with Medina County Board of Elections on a regular basis. Elections are very complicated with numerous checks and balances. He stated that we have an elections environment that foreign adversaries would love to disrupt, so they are getting misinformation from bad actors all the time; he encouraged anyone who sees anything like this in the community to reach out to his office. They have had the opportunity to appropriate some dollars to the Medina County Board of Elections with the Help America Vote Act for security upgrades. They have also been appropriated through HB 197 to help with conducting an election in the midst of a global pandemic. He stated that they are preparing for November, and there is currently legislation in the works to determine what Election Day will look like in November – there is a lot still up in the air. They would like to see Election Day look as close as possible to what it traditionally looks like with some changes, specifically, the more time they can decrease from when someone requests an absentee ballot to when they receive that ballot, the better. They had some instances where some of those ballots were slowed down while being carried in the mail, so they would like to see online absentee ballot requests be made available, to move back the deadline for absentee ballots and to pay for some of that postage. These ideas are up to the legislature, but the easier they can make it for people to vote, the better. In answer to a question by Commissioner Swedyk regarding how quickly they will solidify what the election will look like, Mr. Pavloff stated that hopefully very quickly, but it's in the realm of the legislature at this point. Commissioner Geissman noted that people want to vote in person – they don't want to do mail in voting. She heard criticism that some ballots were received days after the election was over, and another one stated they never did receive their ballots. Mr. Pavloff stated that she is absolutely correct and sadly, in the State of Ohio, they were not alone. However, in no instance did they find that voting results were affected by the delay.

With no further business to come before the commissioners, the meeting recessed at 9:46 a.m. The recess ended at 10:24 a.m. and Commissioner Swedyk called the meeting to order with Commissioner Geissman and Commissioner Hutson in attendance.

Discussion Session

At 10:24 a.m., the commissioners began the Discussion Session in the Commissioners' Hearing Room.

CDBG Scoring

Rob Henwood and the commissioners reviewed, discussed and scored the applications received for the PY 2020 CDBG Allocation Program. The scoring results were as follows:

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Score</u>
City of Brunswick	Lincoln & Jefferson Street Repairs	24
City of Brunswick	Randle, Sheri & Rose Drive Repairs	23
Lodi/Harrisville Historical Society	ADA Parking & Lift	DQ
Village of Gloria Glens	Village Hall Restoration	16
Brunswick Hills Township	Residential Demolition	18
Montville Township	Cobblestone Park Access	22
York Township	Cemetery Parking Area & Drive	DQ
Village of Lodi	Fountain Base Repair	27
Village of Lodi	Playground Equipment Install	17
Village of Lodi	Splash Pad Equipment Install	WD
Harrisville Township	Zoning Code Update	20
Newbridge Veterans Place	Whole House Generator	DQ

After scoring of the applications, the commissioners' agreed that the following applications will be submitted:

City of Brunswick	Lincoln & Jefferson Street Repairs	\$90,000
Brunswick Hills Township	Residential Demolition	\$35,790
Montville Township	Cobblestone Park Access	\$51,026
Village of Lodi	Fountain Base Repair	\$39,800
Village of Lodi	Playground Equipment Install	\$97,309
Harrisville Township	Zoning Code Update	\$5,500
	<i>Total</i>	<i>\$319,425</i>

Amy Lyon-Galvin noted that this leaves \$30,575 for Fair Housing and administration costs.

Mrs. Geissman apologized to Mr. Henwood for going on like she did the previous week; Mr. Henwood responded that he understands that she is passionate about this. Mrs. Geissman indicated that she is passionate about being fair to everyone in trying to take the subjectiveness out of it, but she did realize after working on this for three hours that it still is subjective. Mrs. Swedyk stated that she thinks they need some new criteria. Mrs. Geissman suggested information be provided to applicants in advance to assist them with the application process. There was brief discussion regarding prevailing wages with Mr. Hutson noting that applicants that don't want to pay prevailing wages can either not apply for the program or they pay prevailing wage; it is federal law. The commissioners agreed this needs to be made clear.

Medina County Fair

Mr. Hutson stated that in general, the Fair Board is wrangling with what kind of a fair to have this year, and he thinks they have come to the conclusion that they will not be able to have a full blown fair. He stated that they wanted him to ask the commissioners if they are okay with them having a junior fair which would simply be the 4-H, the animals, the shows and primarily the animals that would get auctioned off. Mrs. Swedyk stated that she is okay with whatever they want as long as their plan is cleared by Krista Wasowski; Mr. Hutson noted that they are working very closely with Krista. Mrs. Geissman stated that she too was approached about this, and they are telling her that it's the commissioners' decision. She stated that she thinks that their board has to make a decision based on what the state is saying. She understands the dilemma – these kids have been raising these animals and what can they do with them if they cannot get them auctioned off. Mr. Hutson noted that they are looking at options, but they wanted some indication as to whether the commissioners would be okay with them proceeding with a scaled-down version of the fair. The commissioners agreed that they are fine with them doing whatever they can do within the guidelines and with Krista's blessing.

Protests

Mr. Hutson stated that he understands that there are three protests scheduled this weekend here in Medina. He stressed that everyone needs to keep a calm head while exercising their freedom of speech rights, but we don't need any violence as that will not go to the cause.

Adjournment

Mr. Hutson moved to adjourn the meeting; Mrs. Geissman seconded the motion. Roll call showed both commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED JUNE 2, 2020

<u>Number</u>	<u>Resolution Title</u>
20-0497	Determining the necessity to close Mennonite Road (CH-51) between Greenwich Road (CH-97) and Seville Road (CH-16)
20-0498	Determining the necessity to close Remsen Road (CH-37) between State Road (CH-44) and Ridge Road (SR-94)
20-0499	Establishing bridge load limits in Medina County
20-0500	Revenue adjustments for various funds
20-0501	Authorizing the purchase of 7,100 gallons of regular unleaded gasoline for the engineering center
20-0502	Approving the submission of the FY 2021 Felony Delinquent Care/Reclaim Grant Application
20-0503	Declaring Medina County Property as excess property
20-0504	Declaring Medina County Property as excess property with attempt to refurbish
20-0505	Allowing claims and authorizing issuance upon the treasurer in settlement of such list of claims
20-0506	Approving personnel changes for the employees under the jurisdiction of the Medina County Commissioners
20-0507	Authorizing a legal services agreement with Eastman and Smith LTD.
20-0508	Authorizing cooperative agreement between the County of Medina and the Ohio Water Development Authority for the Sharon Township Water and Sewer Improvements
20-0509	Approving the acceptance of funding from the Federal Transit Authority for CARES Act 2020 Program Grants

All deliberations concerning official business and formal actions by this Board of Commissioners were conducted in an open public meeting this second day of June, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,	COMMISSIONERS	_____
		Colleen M. Swedyk
	OF	_____
_____		William F. Hutson
Rhonda J. Beck		
Clerk to the Commissioners	MEDINA COUNTY	_____
		Patricia G. Geissman