

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

The minutes of the May 5, 2020, 2020 commissioners' meeting were emailed in advance. Mr. Hutson moved to approve the minutes; Mrs. Geissman seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

*County Administrator Scott Miller* presented and reviewed the following resolutions: (1) accepting and awarding the 2020 Medina County Pavement Planing and Repair bid in Medina County, Ohio for the Medina County Enginner; (2) determining the necessity to close Vandemark Road (CH-31) between Rodgers Road (TR-98) and Kennard Road (CH-78); (3) determining the necessity to close Vandemark Road (CH-31) between Chippewa Road (CH-50) and Chatham Road (SR-162); (4) cash transfer for Drug Task Force; (5) authorizing the county auditor to transfer funds from various county department accounts to the Medina County Print Ship revenue line item; (6) approval of a memorandum of understanding with the Soil and Water Conservation District for the provision of public outreach regarding the Phase II Stormwater NPDES; (7) renewing a lease agreement with Medina County Educational Service Center; (8) authorizing the acceptance of an Office of Criminal Justice Services, Recovery Ohio Grant Agreement; (9) allowing claims and authorizing issuance upon the treasurer in settlement of such list of claims in the amount of \$1,469,366.13; (10) approving personnel changes for the employers under the jurisdiction of the Medina County Commissioners; (11) awarding the bid for a valve maintenance trailer; (12) accepting the proposal and awarding a contract to PNC Bank for procurement card services; and (13) approving an agreement and quit claim deed for the sale of property at Technology Park. Mr. Hutson moved to approve the 13 resolutions; Mrs. Geissman seconded the motion. Mr. Hutson stated that it was good to see that some land is sold at Technology Park; it has been a long time coming and it's good to finally get that done. Mr. Hutson gave kudos to Mr. Miller for getting the purchase cards in place. There was no further discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

*Commissioner Swedyk* stated that an expedited type 2 annexation petition was filed in the commissioners' office on April 13, 2020, for a total of 81.9108 acres of land to be annexed from Wadsworth Township to the City of Wadsworth. The commissioners' job is to review the annexation; no public hearing is required. She stated that the commissioners have reviewed the checklist of submission requirements and have determined that the application and attachments are in order. She asked if there were any public comments. Agent for petitioners Attorney J. Michael Thompson stated that he was available for any questions.

Mr. Hutson moved to approve a resolution approving the petition for the expedited type 2 annexation of 81.9108 acres of land known as being part of Wadsworth Township to the City of Wadsworth, Medina County, Ohio; Mrs. Geissman seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE.

Mr. Hutson moved to go into Executive Session following Discussion Session to consider the employment of a public employee; Mrs. Geissman seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE.

With no further business to come before the Commissioners, the meeting recessed for Discussion Session at 9:37 a.m.

### **Discussion Session**

At 9:38a.m., the commissioners began the Discussion Session in the Commissioners' Hearing Room.

#### PY 2020 CDBG Program

Rob Henwood distributed recommended activities/project summary to the commissioners. This year, \$500,000 is available for distribution through this program. There were 15 applications received with total project cost of the applications submitted totaling \$1,297,652. Of the \$500,000, the City of Wadsworth is guaranteed \$150,000 due to a change from the State. Mr. Henwood briefly reviewed the recommended projects and review criteria that was followed. He provided further documentation to the commissioners and will be presenting a resolution next week of recommended projects and activities.

#### Fairs

Commissioner Hutson stated that Krista Wasowski was appointed to a state level fair committee to review fairs and determine what the opening potential will be. She's doing a great job and is obviously being recognized at the state level. Commissioner Geissman stated that they are discussing locally just having a fair for the 4-H kids, but she's not sure how they can do that because there will be lots of people going there to support the kids. She stated that no decisions have been made. Commissioner Swedyk noted that she heard they passed out the animal tags. Mr. Hutson stated that it's hard to plan if you don't know if it's going to happen or not. Mrs. Geissman added that there has only been one time since the fair began that the fair was cancelled and that was due to the Polio epidemic. Mr. Hutson stated that this is the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Medina County Fair, so it will be unfortunate if it does not go forward.

#### Comments re: Opening of County

Commissioner Geissman stated that the commissioners received material from a local businessman asking us to open up the County. She sent that material to 20 people on her email list for their feedback and was surprised at the varying responses. She indicated that the man who sent the original correspondence spoke of the Constitution and stated that the commissioners should open up this County. Mrs. Geissman stated that based on the responses she received from the 20 people, she doesn't think that would be a wise move. Commissioner Swedyk stated she thinks the commissioners did a good thing in sending the letter in support of our businesses to the governor last week.

Commissioner Hutson stated that it was important to clarify that the letter simply asked for a plan for reopening; it did not say we want everything reopened tomorrow. Mrs. Geissman stated that it was an excellent letter and she had no hesitation signing it; she gave Megan a lot of credit for composing it. She stated that she did get some comments that the letter wasn't strong enough. Mr. Hutson stated that he had a conversation with a local business owner as well, and his comment to the business owner was that he understands the position, but he cannot go out and tell people to ignore state law and expose them to the potential of being charged with a second degree misdemeanor. As he understands the rules today, we have to follow the rules that are coming from the state and if we don't, we are subject to a violation of the law. Mrs. Swedyk stated that there was some statistic that 97-98% of the businesses as of May 22 will be open. Mrs. Geissman stated that she thinks the most important thing is that as commissioners, they are listening to their residents and responding the best they can.

Auditor Employee Introduction

Chief Deputy Auditor Dennis Decomello introduced himself noting that he had about 12 years in Ashtabula County and more recently in Cuyahoga County. The commissioners welcomed Mr. Decomello, as well as Auditor Kovack's summer intern, Anna.

**Executive Session**

At 9:54 a.m., the Commissioners went into the Executive Session that had been voted on. The Executive Session ended at 1:29 p.m.

**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 1:29 p.m.

**RESOLUTIONS PASSED MAY 12, 2020**

<u>Number</u>	<u>Resolution Title</u>
20-0362	Accepting and awarding the 2020 Medina County Pavement Planing and Repair Bid in Medina County, Ohio for the Medina County Engineer
20-0363	Determining the necessity to close Vandemark Road (CH-31) between Rodgers Road (TR-98) and Kennard Road (CH-78)
20-0364	Determining the necessity to close Vandemark Road (CH-31) between Chippewa Road (CH-50) and Chatham Road (SR-162)
20-0365	Cash Transfer for Drug Task Force
20-0366	Authorizing the County Auditor to transfer funds from various county department accounts to the Medina County Print Shop revenue line item
20-0367	Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Soil and Water Conservation District for the provision of public outreach regarding the Phase II Stormwater NPDES
20-0368	Renewing a lease agreement with Medina County Educational Service Center
20-0369	Authorizing the acceptance of an Office of Criminal Justice Services, Recovery Ohio Grant Agreement
20-0370	Allowing claims and authorizing issuance upon the treasurer in settlement of such list of claims
20-0371	Approving personnel changes for the employees under the jurisdiction of the Medina County Commissioners
20-0372	Awarding the bid for a valve maintenance trailer
20-0373	Accepting the proposal and awarding a contract to PNC Bank for procurement card services
20-0374	Approving the petition for the expedited type 2 annexation of 81.9108 acres of land known as being part of Wadsworth Township to the City of Wadsworth, Medina County, Ohio
20-0375	Approving an agreement and quit claim deed for the sale of property at Technology Park

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

Respectfully submitted,

COMMISSIONERS

OF

MEDINA COUNTY

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Rhonda J. Beck  
Clerk to the Commissioners

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Colleen M. Swedyk

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William F. Hutson

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Patricia G. Geissman