

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

The minutes of the September 21, 2021 commissioners' meeting were emailed in advance. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the minutes; Mr. Hutson seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed both commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

*County Engineer Administrative Assistant Dan Becker* presented and reviewed the following resolutions: (1) determining the necessity to close Old Weymouth Road (C.H. 32); and (2) determining the necessity to close Old Weymouth Road (C.H. 32) between Nichols Road (C.H. 131) and Remsen Road (C.H. 37). Mr. Hambley moved to approve the two resolutions; Mr. Hutson seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll called showed both commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

The Medina County Engineer's weekly permits for September 15–September 22, 2021 were reviewed.

*Assistant County Administrator Amy Lyon-Galvin* presented and reviewed the following resolutions: (1) amending the appropriation measure resolution; (2) amending the 2021 appropriations resolution by transferring appropriations; (3) sales tax distribution to the various districts located in Medina County; (4) designating the Battered Women's Shelter of Summit and Medina Counties to receive proceeds from marriage licenses and divorce fees for calendar year 2021; (5) allowing expenses of County Officials; and (6) allowing claims and authorizing issuance upon the treasurer in settlement of such list of claims in the amount of \$838,191.67. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the six resolutions; Mr. Hutson seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll called showed both commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

*Human Resources Director Holly Muren* presented and reviewed a resolution approving the personnel changes for the employees under the jurisdiction of the Medina County Commissioners. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the resolution; Mr. Hutson seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll called showed both commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

*County Administrator Scott Miller* presented and reviewed the following resolutions: (1) authorizing a request for proposals for consulting services for move management for the Medina County Courthouse Project; (2) allowing employees to serve as poll workers pursuant to O.R.C. 3501.28(F); (3) authorizing the adoption of Medina County Indigent Defense Fee/Cost Recoupment Policy; and (4) accepting and awarding the bid for Medina County Sheriff Entry Renovation Project. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the four resolutions; Mr. Hutson seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll called showed both commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

*Sanitary Engineer Jeremy Sinko* presented and reviewed the following resolutions: (1) authorizing the sanitary engineer to enter into an agreement with CT Consultants for professional design services; (2) authorizing the Sanitary Engineer to enter into an agreement with Davey Resource Group for professional design services; and (3) authorizing the Sanitary Engineer to enter into an agreement with Rolling and Hocevar for professional design services. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the three resolutions; Mr. Hutson seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll called showed both commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

*Job & Family Services Director Debbie Kiley* presented and reviewed the following resolutions: (1) authorizing a contract with the Children's Center of Medina County for child visits at the Center for Medina County Job & Family Services; (2) authorizing a memorandum of understanding between Medina County Job & Family Services and Alternative Paths; (3) authorizing the advertisement for proposals relating to behavioral, mental health and substance abuse services for Medina County Job & Family Services; (4) authorizing the advertisement for proposals relating to foster family software services for Medina County Job & Family Services; (5) accepting and awarding proposals for professional services relating to TANF and food assistance job development services for Medina County Job & Family Services; and (6) amending the Prevention, Retention & Contingency Plan for Medina County Job & Family Services. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the six resolutions; Mrs. Swedyk seconded the motion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

Ms. Kiley reported that when the health emergency was instituted, the Department of Medicaid advised all counties that Medicaid recipients couldn't be terminated from coverage during the health emergency. As it stands now, the health emergency is expected to expire December 31, 2021 and at that time, her department will have 60 days to redetermine eligibility for those in protected status. In Medina County, there are approximately 4,000 Medicaid cases that are in current/past due review status and will be subject to redetermination of eligibility which could mean 8,000 individuals could need redetermined in a 60 day period. Mr. Hambley inquired if these individuals are aware this is coming. Ms. Kiley answered that they were notified by the State of Ohio in July or August and she is looking into putting the information out in other ways. There was brief discussion regarding how nursing home residents may be effected by stimulus checks that were provided.

Ms. Kiley also reported that unemployment fraud is again becoming prevalent and asked everyone to call 833-658-0394 to report suspected unemployment fraud. She noted that Medina County Job & Family Services is unable to assist with matters of unemployment.

*Transit Director Shannon Rine* reviewed the August 2021 Monthly Report noting that ridership continues to fluctuate with critical services for demand needs being met and some trip denials occurred based on availability. Their average passengers for hour on the fixed route was previously at 3 but has dropped to 1.75 average for the year. His team attended the Ohio Public Transit Association annual conference in Akron and noted they saw an electric vehicle that was pretty close to what they need, but the difficulty is charging frequency. In answer to a question by Mr. Hutson, Mr. Rine stated that some demand routes can go up to 200 miles per day. Mr. Hambley inquired how the chip shortage is effecting things; Mr. Rine answered that according to information from ODOT, vehicles that were previously taking 8-9 months is now 1 year+.

Mr. Rine noted they are working on their strategic plan and expect to award it very soon. Mr. Hambley noted the eventual mandates from the federal government for electric vehicles. Mr. Rine stated that he believes the infrastructure can be put in place, but the vehicle capability is in question. Mr. Hutson noted that there is not a great number of charging stations at this time. There was brief discussion regarding bus stops with Mr. Rine noting that they are waiting on environmental studies to be concluded.

*Commissioner Hutson* presented and reviewed a resolution commending MaryBeth Guenther for 38 years of service with the Medina County Auditor's office. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the resolution; Mr. Hutson seconded the motion. The commissioners thanked her for her service and wished her well. There was no further discussion. Roll call showed both commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried.

### **Public Comment**

*None.*

Mr. Hambley moved to go into Executive Session after Discussion Session to consider the employment of a public employee; Mr. Hutson seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed both commissioners' voting AYE; the motion carried.

### **Discussion Session**

At 10:01 a.m., the Commissioners began the Discussion Session in the commissioners' hearing room.

#### Courthouse Update

Scott Miller reported that cement block is being installed around the stairwells and elevator shafts. Once the third invoice is paid, we will have about \$2,250,000 into the Courthouse which includes the steel.

#### War Bond Building

Mr. Miller stated that he met with Matt Weiderhold of Main Street Medina regarding the War Bond Building; the only question now is the location. Mr. Weiderhold received an email from a city council member who wants it on the Square. City council is going to work through this with the city park committee. Mr. Hambley explained that it was originally placed on the Square between the fountain and the gun, and it would be in a more prominent position in terms of security. He stated that in his view, it's up to the city who manages the Square as whether they want to have it there; Mr. Hutson agreed.

#### Road Closure

Rhonda Beck stated that ODOT will be closing S.R. 57 (south of Poe Road) beginning Monday and lasting for 45 days for a culvert replacement.

#### ARP Projects

Mr. Hambley noted that they are scheduled to discuss scoring of the projects next week, but some final updates haven't been received so not everything can be scored. He suggested a list be made of which projects they want to talk about next week. Mr. Hutson noted a concern for the boiler at the jail; Amy Lyon-Galvin noted that was already approved by resolution and is in the list of dedicated dollars. Mr. Hambley noted the HVAC projects for the Animal Shelter, Transit, and the Highway Garage need more discussion and should be on the agenda. Ms. Lyon-Galvin will provide the commissioners a list to score and a list to discuss.

### **Executive Session**

At 10:09 a.m., the Commissioners went into the Executive Session that had been voted on earlier. The Executive Session ended at 10:57 a.m.

### **Adjournment**

Mr. Hambley moved to adjourn the meeting; Mrs. Swedyk seconded the motion. Roll call showed both commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:57 a.m.

**RESOLUTIONS PASSED SEPTEMBER 28, 2021**

<u>Number</u>	<u>Resolution Title</u>
21-0910	Commending MaryBeth Guenther for 38 years of service with the Medina County Auditor's Office
21-0911	Determining the necessity to close Old Weymouth Road (C.H. 32) between Nichols Road (C.H. 131) and Rensen Road (C.H. 37)
21-0912	Determining the necessity to close Root Road (C.H. 58) between Spencer Lake Road (C.H. 45) and Chatham Road (S.R. 162)
21-0913	Amending the appropriation measure resolution
21-0914	Amending the 2021 appropriations resolution by transferring appropriations
21-0915	Sales tax distribution to the various districts located in Medina County
21-0916	Designating the Battered Women's Shelter of Summit and Medina Counties to receive proceeds from marriage licenses and divorce fees for calendar year 2021
21-0917	Allowing expenses of county officials
21-0918	Allowing claims and authorizing issuance upon the treasurer in settlement of such list of claims
21-0919	Approving personnel changes for the employees under the jurisdiction of the Medina County Commissioners
21-0920	Authorizing a request for proposals for consulting services for move management for the Medina County Courthouse Project
21-0921	Allowing employees to serve as poll workers pursuant to O.R.C. 3501.28(F)
21-0922	Authorizing the adoption of Medina County Indigent Defense Fee/Cost Recoupment Policy
21-0923	Accepting and awarding a bid for Medina County Sheriff Entry Renovation Project
21-0924	Authorizing the sanitary engineer to enter into an agreement with CT Consultants for professional design services
21-0925	Authorizing the sanitary engineer to enter into an agreement with Davey Resource Group for professional design services
21-0926	Authorizing the sanitary engineer to enter into an agreement with Rolling and Hocevar for professional design services
21-0927	Authorizing a contract with the Children's Center of Medina County for child visits at the Center for Medina County Job & Family Services
21-0928	Authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding between the Medina County Job & Family Services and Alternative Paths
21-0929	Authorizing the advertisement for proposals relating to behavioral, mental health and substance abuse services for Medina County Job & Family Services
21-0930	Authorizing the advertisement for proposals relating to foster family software services for Medina County Job & Family Services
21-0931	Accepting and awarding proposals for professional services relating to TANF and Food Assistance Job Development Services for Medina County Job & Family Services
21-0932	Amending the Prevention, Retention & Contingency Plan (PRC) for Medina County Job & Family Services

All deliberations concerning official business and formal actions by this Board of Commissioners were conducted in an open public meeting this twenty-eighth day of September, 2021.

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