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

The minutes of the April 28, 2026 Commissioners' meeting were emailed in advance. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the minutes; Mr. Harrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE. The motion carried.

Public Comment regarding pending resolutions

None.

Commendation

Commissioner Swedyk presented and reviewed the following resolution:

1. Honoring Jan Radachy for her extraordinary service as a foster parent

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

Job & Family Services Foster Care/Adoption Supervisor Sharon Holmes accepted the commendation on behalf of Ms. Radachy, noting that Ms. Radachy was unable to attend due to illness but hoped to be present at the upcoming foster parent banquet later in the month. Ms. Holmes also noted that May is National Foster Parent Month. Commissioner Harrison remarked on the impressiveness of 47 years of dedication to such a challenging calling.

Resolutions

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

1. Granting a variance to the Medina County Engineering Code for Subdivision Development to Pride One Construction for a horizontal curve with centerline radius of 100 feet in the Bohaty Planned Development Multi-Family A Subdivision
2. Accepting and awarding the 2026 Replacement of Bridge No. 1 on Ledgewood Drive in Medina Township for the Medina County Engineer

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

The commissioners reviewed the weekly permits issued April 23–29, 2026.

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. Hambley moved to approve the resolution; Mr. Harrison 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. Expenditure adjustments for various funds
2. Cash transfers for the costs of the CY2024 Countywide Audit and various funds
3. Authorizing the acceptance of the Office of Criminal Justice Servies (OCJS) Body Worn Camera Grant by the Medina County Sheriff's Office
4. Approving the transfer of inventory between various Medina County offices
5. Declaring Medina County property as excess property
6. Allowing expenses of the County Engineer
7. Allowing expenses of county officials
8. Allowing claims and authorizing issuance upon the treasurer in settlement of such list of claims in the amount of $1,283,042.52

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

County *Administrator Matt Springer* presented and reviewed the following resolution:

1. Approving an amendment to the lease agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture for office space at 6090 Wedgewood Road

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

Department Updates

Planning Services *Director Denise Testa* reported the review process for the Subdivision and Development Agreement is ongoing. American Structure Point is continuing its analysis. The May Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 6 at 6:30 p.m. in Balcony Room B. Agenda items include the Bohaty Replat No 2, Bridlewood Reserve in Sharon Township, the Cobblestone Variance Request, and a Homer Township Text Amendment. Four agenda items are anticipated for the June Planning Commission meeting including a Walnut Ridge revised preliminary plan in Sharon Township, Cobblestone Park Replat No. 5, a Harrisville Township map amendment, and a Brunswick Hills map amendment.

The application deadline for the PY2026 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) has passed with 14 applications received. The total available funding is approximately $506,000, with the City of Wadsworth allocated $150,000, leaving approximately $315,000 to be distributed. Total grant requests received exceeded $1,000,000, the highest amount ever received by the county. A work session to review applications is scheduled for Monday, May 11 at 10 a.m.

PY2025 Community Home Improvement and Preservation Program (CHIP) environmental review is ongoing. The county is awaiting the Ohio Department of Agriculture Land Use Planning Grant agreement.

Ms. Testa stated the next Zoning Workshop is scheduled for May 12.

Commissioner Harrison elaborated on a recommendation from American Structure Point to bring in a specialized statewide group with expertise in engineering, permitting, and financial requirements, specifically to address the ongoing challenges related to financial guarantee provisions in developer agreements. Commissioner Harrison explained that developers operating across Ohio have been drawing on their experiences in other counties and municipalities, and that having an expert group verify best practices statewide would help resolve discrepancies and inconsistencies in how those provisions are structured. Commissioner Hambley expressed strong support, noting the particular relevance given townships' insistence on private road development. Commissioner Harrison noted that a change order to engage this specialized group would be forthcoming later in the week, with action anticipated at the following week's meeting. The matter had been discussed in an internal meeting and was expected to be presented to the broader technical working group, which includes developer representation, during a Thursday session. He also noted that American Structure Point is continuing work to identify inconsistencies and overlaps between the county's various regulations, and expressed confidence that between those two workstreams, the process would be able to move forward substantively.

Commissioners Resolutions

Commissioner Swedyk presented and reviewed the following resolution:

1. Reappointing John Welker Jr. to the Medina County Advisory Council on Aging & Disability

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

Public Comment

None.

With no further business to come before the Commissioners, the commissioners began the Discussion Session in the Commissioners' Hearing Room at 9:44 a.m.

Discussion Session

Chippewa Wastewater Treatment Plant Project Update

Sanitary Engineer Jeremy Sinko reported on a significant financial development related to the Chippewa Wastewater Treatment Plant project. The project has been designated as a Build America, Buy America (BABA) project by the Ohio EPA, due to its size meeting the applicable federal funding threshold. Compliance with BABA requirements increased the contract price by $2,600,000. However, as a result of achieving BABA compliance, the Ohio EPA reduced the project's interest rate from 3.25% to 2.25%, generating estimated savings of approximately $400,000 per year in annual loan payments, or $8,000,000 over the life of the loan. Mr. Sinko characterized the outcome as a net financial benefit to the county and indicated he would present a change order for Board consideration at the following week's meeting. Commissioner Harrison also noted that it is Election Day and encouraged the public to vote.

Adjournment

Mr. Hambley moved to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Harrison seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE; the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:47 a.m.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED MAY 5, 2026

Number	Resolution Title
26-0329	Honoring Jan Radachy for her extraordinary service as a foster parent
26-0330	Granting a variance to the Medina County Engineering Code for Subdivision Development to Pride One Construction for a horizontal curve with centerline radius of 100 feet in the Bohaty Planned Development Multi-Family A Subdivision
26-0331	Accepting and awarding the 2026 Replacement of Bridge No. 1 on Ledgewood Drive in Medina Township for the Medina County Engineer
26-0332	Approving personnel changes for the employees under the jurisdiction of the Medina County Commissioners
26-0333	Expenditure adjustments for various funds
26-0334	Cash transfers for the costs of the CY2024 Countywide Audit and various funds
26-0335	Authorizing the acceptance of the Office of Criminal Justice Servies (OCJS) Body Worn Camera Grant by the Medina County Sheriff's Office
26-0336	Approving the transfer of inventory between various Medina County offices
26-0337	Declaring Medina County property as excess property
26-0338	Allowing expenses of the County Engineer
26-0339	Allowing expenses of county officials
26-0340	Allowing claims and authorizing issuance upon the treasurer in settlement of such list of claims
26-0341	Approving an amendment to the lease agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture for office space at 6090 Wedgewood Road
26-0342	Reappointing John Welker Jr. to the Medina County Advisory Council on Aging & Disability

All deliberations concerning official business and formal actions by this Board of Commissioners were conducted in an open public meeting on this fifth day of May, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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Assistant Clerk of the Board

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