

COMMISSIONERS MEETING, MONDAY, JUNE 23, 2008

Patricia G. Geissman called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. with Stephen D. Hambley and Sharon A. Ray present.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer.

The oral reading of the minutes of the Commissioners' meetings on Thursday, June 12, Monday, June 16, and the public hearing on June 16, 2008 were dispensed with as each Commissioner had read them personally. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the Commissioners' meeting minutes on June 12, June 16, and the public hearing on June 16; the motion was seconded Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

Doug King, Administrative Assistant in the County Engineer's Office, presented and reviewed the following resolutions: (1) closing Blake Road (C.H. 118) between Tower Road (C.H. 55) and Yoder Road (C.H. 105) for culvert replacement; (2) approving use of the Subdivision Drainage Maintenance Fund for repair work in Lafayette Meadows Subdivision Phase 2 in Lafayette Township; (3) creating a multi-way (four-way) stop at the intersection of Hartman Road (C.H. 127) and Reimer Road (C.H. 123) due to its high accident count and the increased population of the area; and, (4) changing the name of Stephanie's Overlook Drive (T.H. 745) to Sunset Cove Drive in Brunswick Hills Township. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the four resolutions; the motion was seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE.

Commissioners reviewed the weekly permits list for permits issued June 12-18, 2008.

Scott Miller, Finance Director, presented and reviewed the following resolutions: (1) amending the 2008 Appropriations Resolutions by transferring appropriations; (2) amending the Annual Appropriation Resolution; (3) transferring County general funds to the County Diversion Program; (4) authorizing the purchase of 7,500 gallons of regular unleaded gasoline for the Engineering Center from Ports Petroleum for the lowest bid price of \$3.4790 per gallon; (5) accepting applications for the use of various credit cards and procurement cards requested by various Medina County offices and departments; and, (6) sales tax distribution to the various school districts located in Medina County. Mr. Miller requested payment of the weekly bills in the amount of \$6,314,191.25. Of that, \$4,931,239.00 was the Sanitary Engineer's payment to the Ohio Water Development Authority for sanitary sewer notes. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the six Finance resolutions and payment of the weekly bills; the motion was seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE.

Gary Berkowitz, Human Resources Director, presented and reviewed a resolution approving personnel changes for the employees under the jurisdiction of the Medina County Commissioners. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the resolution; the motion was seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE.

Mr. Berkowitz also presented a resolution approving and authorizing the suspension for two days without pay for a Medina County Sanitary Engineer's Office employee for failure of good behavior. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the resolution; the motion was seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE.

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Chris Jakab, County Administrator, presented and reviewed a resolution authorizing the submission of an application for funding under the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program for fiscal year 2008. The application amount was for \$178,000 that would fund the following housing and community development needs:

1) Administration		\$26,300
2) Fair Housing		5,000
3) Medina County Transit	(public service)	26,700
4) Village of Lodi	(street improvements)	40,000
5) Gloria Glens Park Village	(home/building rehabilitation)	35,000
6) York Township	(parking space creation)	10,000
7) Housing repair	(private rehab)	<u>35,000</u>
Total		\$178,000

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

Jim Troike, Sanitary Engineer, presented and reviewed the following resolutions: (1) awarding the bid for the Westfield Water Main Extension 2008 Project (MCSE #W700/00-32.2) to Stillion Brothers Excavating, Inc., Perrysville, Ohio, for the bid amount of \$1,530,277.50; (2) establishing and amending charges and fees levied by the County Sanitary Engineering Department in all Medina County sewer districts to cover current costs; (3) amending the end-of-pipe bulk water sale rate within the County's Northwest Water System to \$2.75 per thousand gallons for new agreements; (4) accepting bids for Village of Westfield Center Water Treatment Plant Improvements Project (MCSE #W-700/00-32.0A); (5) authorizing the Sanitary Engineer to obtain easements for the Bungalow Bay Water & Sewer Replacement Project (SR-700/01-50.4); and, (6) authorizing the County Sanitary Engineer to release the escrow account of Fabrizi Trucking and Paving, Inc. for the Brunswick Sanitary Sewer Replacement 2006 Project (MCSE #SR-500/5-41.1). Mr. Hambley moved to approve the six resolutions; the motion was seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE.

Mrs. Geissman presented a resolution commending the meritorious service of Phil Cummings, Craig Rudolph, and Dale Csuhata, employees of the Medina County Sanitary Engineering Department Liverpool Wastewater Treatment Plant. They took it upon themselves to find a method to remove calcium deposits from a sanitary trunk sewer using in-house personnel and equipment. The obstructions had been causing wastewater to surcharge into people's basements in the vicinity. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the resolution and Ms. Ray seconded the motion. Roll call showed all Commissioners voting AYE. The Commissioners signed the commendations and presented them to the three creative employees. Mr. Troike added that these gentlemen work at the Liverpool Wastewater Treatment Plant and they don't normally deal with the sanitary sewers. When they saw how much the contractor's estimates were to remove the calcium deposits, they asked if they could "have a shot" at it and they were successful. They saved the County almost \$23,000 by doing it in-house, and he thanked them for "thinking outside the box". Mr. Hambley said this was outstanding and the Commissioners like to recognize employees for going above and beyond their job descriptions and looking at the big picture of serving the public and solving the residents' problem. Mrs. Geissman said it is wonderful when they have employees that make the Commissioners feel very proud of them.

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They were certainly being creative in their thinking. Doing this on their own without their boss telling them they needed to do it to save money was quite a challenge.

Mead Wilkins, Job & Family Services (JFS) Director, presented and reviewed the following resolutions: (1) accepting and awarding proposals for data services for JFS; (2) amending an agreement relating to Help Me Grow between Medina County Family First Council and JFS; (3) authorizing contracts for substitute care of children for JFS; (4) amending an agreement between Catholic Charities Services Corporation and JFS; and (5) amending the Prevention, Retention and Contingency Plan (PRC) for JFS. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the five resolutions; the motion was seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE.

Brian Nowak, Medina County Drug Abuse Commission (MCDAC) Director, reported that the MCDAC grant award letters were sent to all 2008-2009 grantees and they need to be signed and returned by June 30, 2008. The MCDAC web site is in the process of being updated to recognize the new grantees. Current grantees' annual performance and financial reports are due on August 1, 2008, and will be reviewed in September. Since the Ohio Tobacco Prevention Foundation has been dissolved by the Ohio legislature, the Medina County grant-funded tobacco prevention and cessation activities will cease operation on June 30, 2008. He thanked Dr. John Waddell, Tobacco Coordinator, for his dedication and commitment to tobacco prevention in Medina County.

Dr. John Waddell, Tobacco Coordinator, thanked the Commissioners and others for their strong support of tobacco control. He said Medina County is a leader in having a Drug Abuse Commission since 1987, and its leadership is exemplified by bringing grant-funded tobacco control programs to the County. If they had not been cut off, they would have received almost \$2 million in grant funding in the past four years, which is very impressive for a county of this size. He praised MCDAC Director Brian Nowak and said he was grateful for his leadership.

Dr. Waddell said the Tobacco Coalition has been blessed with some amazing talent and people who are deeply passionate about the suffering that is caused by tobacco addiction. Their final meeting is this Friday and he will be telling them that this is not a tragic end to their work, but it is a new beginning in independence and leadership in tobacco control in Medina County. The former Medina County Tobacco Prevention Coalition is now the Medina County Tobacco Prevention Coalition, Inc. They have incorporated and they have applied to the Internal Revenue Service for status as a non-profit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt corporation. The downside is that they have no money, but the upside is that they are free to offer whatever programs Medina County wants and needs. They are not beholden to a foundation to only offer one specific type of program. There is an ongoing survey of Medina County being done now that will let them know the scope of tobacco use in Medina County and the results will be presented in the newspaper in a few days. It will show who uses tobacco, their attitudes, and the social norms about tobacco. This knowledge will allow the new Board of Directors to begin making the right kinds of decisions about what types of programs are necessary to answer those needs. The rest is up to the citizens to educate themselves to the fact that tobacco prevention not only saves lives and human suffering, but also pays off enormous economic benefits. Tobacco control as a "charity" would repay visible dollar dividends in treatment costs.

Dr. Waddell highlighted some highlights of the Coalition' four years of work as follows:

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- Three of seven school districts have model policies for tobacco-free school campuses;
- 300 pregnant women participated in smoking cessation classes and tobacco use during pregnancy fell from 18% to 12% from 2004-2006 in Medina County;
- Every school district had tobacco prevention and tobacco cessation programs;
- Five professionals from Medina County studied at the Mayo Clinic to become Certified Tobacco Treatment Specialists following a full week of intensive training;
- The Stand Team maintained constant membership for three years, reaching the Silver Level;
- On The Clock Care provided on-site adult tobacco cessation for employees in local industry, providing 17 corporate classes at eight different companies;
- Ninety employees completed classes and official tracking at 30 days showed a 63% quit rate;
- Laura Loew and Dawn Rogers, R.N. (tobacco treatment specialists) facilitated groups of Freedom from Smoking classes that last eight weeks. A 60% discount was negotiated for medicines to treat tobacco dependency.

Dr. Waddell said tobacco is the #1 preventable cause of death and disease in the United States. Almost 1/2 million people are lost every year and that could be prevented. It is not just a matter of social justice; it is a matter that affects each American's wallet and pocketbook. He thanked them for the opportunity to serve Medina County. Mrs. Geissman thanked Dr. Waddell and said it has been a wonderful program and she is sorry the funding is no longer there. She is pleased the Coalition has incorporated and will continue to do what they can in the community for tobacco prevention.

Mr. Hambley said their impact has been very obvious and they have made a difference over the past four years with their evidence-based programs. Because of Medina County's approach and Dr. Waddell's and the Coalition's efforts, our State legislators voted against the transfer of money from the Tobacco Foundation to the Jobs bill. He said he wished every county had an individual such as Dr. Waddell and a coalition because he is convinced that if other districts had these kinds of programs in place, there would have been more legislators who would have voted against that transfer and would have seen that it was not a wise choice. He thanked Dr. Waddell and the Medina County Tobacco Prevention Coalitions for their efforts.

Bill Hanigan, Workforce Development Director, reported that the Adult and Dislocated Workers Program's performance for the year ending June 30, 2008, has already exceeded the goals set forth in the grant proposal. The Summit-Medina Workforce Investment Board held its bi-annual election of officers and Melissa Frank (Senior Economic Development Director of FirstEnergy) was elected chair and Diana Clarke (President of Silverwood Associated) was elected vice chair. Ms. Frank assumes the two-year position previously held by Economic Development Director James Doult who remains on the Board. Mr. Doult was recognized by the Board for his leadership and vision. The chair position rotates each election every two years between Summit and Medina Counties. Tri-County Jobs for Ohio's Graduates (JOG) received a grant from the State of Ohio for the Next Step Program. They provide career exploration and planning, work readiness and job search skills, academic support and tutoring, GED preparation, life skills training, mentoring, career counseling, college preparation, and linkages to occupational skill training, internships, apprenticeships, and work experience opportunities.

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Their facility is now open at 3711 Pearl Road (next to the One Stop) to serve youth ages 14-21. The City of Brunswick Economic Development Director Tim Smith has asked for assistance in providing a Job Fair for Brunswick residents on July 30, 2008. His staff will be meeting with Mr. Smith to see how they can assist his efforts to make it a successful event.

Jeff Van Loon, Medina County Soil & Water Conservation District, District Manager, said they are expecting a Congressional announcement from Betty Sutton at the end of the month regarding a U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) program that would target landowners, offering multi-year payments for creating buffers along streams such as along the Rocky River. They received support letters from the Homebuilders Association and the Farm Bureau for the Balanced Growth Initiative for the Rocky River Watershed. The most frequent call received lately is for information about stream bank sloughing to prevent stream banks from excessive erosion. There have also been many drainage calls due to the recent wet weather. Many calls continue to come in for information about ponds and livestock.

Mrs. Geissman presented a resolution appointing Suzanne Barnes Brown to the Medina County Mental Retardation & Developmental Disabilities (MRDD) Board with her term expiring on December 31, 2009. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the resolution; the motion was seconded by Ms. Ray. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all commissioners voting AYE.

The Clerk read the resolution to allow the expenses of County officials. Mr. Hambley moved to approve the expense resolution and Ms. Ray seconded the motion. Mr. Hambley noted that the Legislative Updates at Westfield Center will be held on June 27, not June 2 that was on the resolution. With that correction, roll call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

The meeting was opened for public comment and no one wished to speak.

Mrs. Geissman noted that a public hearing is scheduled for 10:30 AM regarding culvert replacements on Old Mill Road (TH 68) in Spencer Township and Lester Road (TH 56) in York Township.

The meeting recessed at 10:06 a.m.

Discussion Session

The meeting reconvened at 10:13 a.m. for the Discussion Session in the Conference Room.

Ms. Ray said she and County Administrator Chris Jakab would be meeting with members of Medina City Council and the Medina County District Library Board on Tuesday, June 24, to discuss the parking deck. Mr. Hambley added that he attended the Library Board meeting last Monday in Brunswick along with several Medina City Council members. The Library Board publicly announced that they authorized their Executive Director to meet with the County and City to negotiate. It was apparent that it is important to the Library District's Board members that the County is involved in the project. The history between the library and the City has not always been conducive to working in agreement and part of those difficulties had been a lack of trust between the two entities. The County appears to be a very important component of building trust and, hopefully, things will work out.

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Ms. Ray said the Medina County Workforce Committee and the Summit-Medina Workforce Investment Board are seeking Board members. She said she would like to instruct Clerk Pam Vereb to place the necessary ads in the newspaper and send letters to the area Chambers of Commerce. Mrs. Geissman asked how many members were needed. Ms. Ray said they could accommodate four on the local board and three or four on the joint board. The other Commissioners were in agreement.

Mrs. Geissman said she will be scheduling a meeting with the judges, elected officials, and department heads that use the Medina County Courthouse Complex to answer questions and receive input on the proposed renovation project. The other Commissioners agreed to the meeting.

Mrs. Geissman asked the status of the meeting with the director of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (RTA). Ms. Vereb said due to Mr. Calabrese's conflict on June 30, he was given the dates July 7 or 14; he chose July 7 for the Discussion Session meeting. Mr. Hambley said they invited the City of Brunswick to join them because most of the services that the RTA provides are in the immediate Brunswick area.

Chris Jakab, County Administrator, presented copies of the memorandum he sent to the Treasurer's Office and Auditor's Office about the office relocations in the Administration Building. It included the tentative timeframe for the moves. He presented the Auditor's Office's response requesting additional work that should be done before the move, such as painting and signage. He will meet with Joan Heller, Chief Deputy Auditor, to see what items can be accommodated quickly. The first move is this Friday, June 27; Mediation moves to the Professional Building.

Mr. Jakab presented discussion items for the Commissioners' review regarding the Courthouse Project. He asked them to review them and provide any comments or additions to the list.

Mr. Jakab said they are in the process of evaluating the architects' submissions for the request for qualifications for the Courthouse Project. The Commissioners had reviewed the 14 submissions over the weekend and they said they would give their rating sheets to Mr. Jakab to prepare a summary along with his and the Department of Planning Service's. Interviews for the five highest ranking companies will be scheduled for presentations in the next two weeks.

At 10:24 a.m., the Commissioners recessed the meeting until the public hearing at 10:30 a.m.

After the public hearing, Mr. Hambley moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:36 a.m. and Ms. Ray seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Roll call showed all Commissioners voting AYE.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED 6/23/08

Number

Resolution Title

08-0595

RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE OF PHIL CUMMINGS,

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CRAIG RUDOLPH & DALE CSUHTA, EMPLOYEES OF THE MEDINA COUNTY
SANITARY ENGINEERING DEPT. LIVERPOOL WASTEWATER TREATMENT

- 08-0596 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE UPON THE
TREASURER IN SETTLEMENT OF SUCH LIST OF CLAIMS
- 08-0597 RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE NECESSITY TO CLOSE BLAKE ROAD (C.H.118)
BETWEEN TOWER RD (C.H.55) AND YODER ROAD (C.H.105)
- 08-0598 RESOLUTION APPROVING USE OF SUBDIVISION DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE FUND
FOR REPAIR WORK IN LAFAYETTE MEADOWS SUBDIVISION PHASE 2 IN
LAFAYETTE TOWNSHIP, MEDINA COUNTY, OHIO
- 08-0599 RESOLUTION CREATING A MULTI-WAY (4-WAY) STOP AT THE INTERSECTION
OF HARTMAN ROAD (C.H.127) AND REIMER ROAD (C.H.123)
- 08-0600 RESOLUTION CHANGING THE NAME OF STEPHANIE'S OVERLOOK DRIVE (T.H.
745)
TO SUNSET COVE DRIVE IN BRUNSWICK HILLS TOWNSHIP, MEDINA COUNTY,
OHIO
- 08-0601 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2008 APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION BY
TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS
- 08-0602 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION
- 08-0603 TRANSFER OF COUNTY GENERAL FUNDS TO THE COUNTY DIVERSION PROGRAM
- 08-0604 AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF 7,500 GALLONS OF REGULAR UNLEADED
GASOLINE FOR THE ENGINEERING CENTER
- 08-0605 ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE USE OF VARIOUS CREDIT CARDS AND
PROCUREMENT CARDS REQUESTED BY VARIOUS MEDINA COUNTY OFFICES
AND DEPARTMENTS
- 08-0606 SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION TO THE VARIOUS DISTRICTS LOCATED IN MEDINA
COUNTY
- 08-0607 RESOLUTION APPROVING PERSONNEL CHANGES FOR THE EMPLOYEES UNDER
THE JURISDICTION OF THE MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
- 08-0608 RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE SUSPENSION OF TWO (2)
DAYS WITHOUT PAY FOR WILLIAM WEBB, MEDINA COUNTY SANITARY
ENGINEER'S OFFICE
- 08-0609 RESOLUTION TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING UNDER TO SMALL
CITIES CDBG PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008

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- 08-0610 RESOLUTION AWARDING THE BID FOR WESTFIELD WATER MAIN EXTENSION
2008 MCSE #W-700/00-32.2
- 08-0611 RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AND AMENDING CHARGES AND FEES LEVIED BY
THE COUNTY SANITARY ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT IN ALL MEDINA COUNTY
SEWER DISTRICTS
- 08-0612 RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AN END-OF-PIPE BULK WATER SALE RATE WITHIN
THE COUNTY'S NORTHWEST WATER DISTRICT
- 08-0613 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BIDS FOR VILLAGE OF WESTFIELD CENTER WATER
TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS MCSE#W-700/00-32.0A
- 08-0614 AUTHORIZING THE SANITARY ENGINEER TO OBTAIN EASEMENTS FOR
VARIOUS SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS
- 08-0615 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY SANITARY ENGINEER TO RELEASE
THE ESCROW ACCOUNT OF FABRIZI TRUCKING & PAVING, INC. FOR THE
BRUNSWICK SANITARY SEWER REPLACEMENT 2006 PROJECT MCSE#SR-500/5-
41.1
- 08-0616 ACCEPTING AND AWARDING PROPOSALS FOR DATA SERVICES FOR MEDINA
COUNTY JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES
- 08-0617 RESOLUTION AMENDING AN AGREEMENT RELATING TO HELP ME GROW
BETWEEN MEDINA COUNTY FAMILY FIRST COUNCIL AND MEDINA COUNTY
JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES
- 08-0618 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS FOR SUBSTITUTE CARE OF CHILDREN
FOR MEDINA COUNTY JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES
- 08-0619 RESOLUTION AMENDING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN CATHOLIC CHARITIES
SERVICES CORPORATION AND MEDINA COUNTY JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES
- 08-0620 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE PREVENTION, RETENTION, AND CONTINGENCY
PLAN (PRC) FOR MEDINA COUNTY JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES
- 08-0621 RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE MEDINA COUNTY MENTAL
RETARDATION & DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES (MRDD) BOARD
- 08-0622 RESOLUTION TO ALLOW EXPENSES OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

All deliberations concerning official business and formal actions by this Board of Commissioners were conducted in an open public meeting this twenty-third day of June 2008.

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Respectfully submitted,

Patricia G. Geissman

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Pam Vereb, Clerk

Stephen D. Hambley

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