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**Medina County Port Authority  
Board Meeting  
November 4, 2009**

**Attendance:** Port Authority Board: Ron Paydo, Laurie Price, Jim Gerspacher, Commissioner Steve Hambley, Dean Harris, Skip Trimble, Todd Gerber and Bill Hutson. MCEDC staff: Jodi Robbins and Sandy Neuman.

**Guests:** Russ Schabel and Mike Baach, Philpott Rubber

Mr. Paydo called the meeting to order at 8:02 AM.

**Approval of minutes:** After Mr. Gerspacher's suggestions to amend the previous meeting's minutes, Mr. Paydo made a motion to approve the amended October 23, 2009 Medina County Port Authority (MCPA) meeting minutes. Ms. Price seconded. All were in favor.

**Chairman's Report:** None

**Financials:** In Mr. Frantz's absence, no financial report was given.

**Commissioner's Report:** Commissioner Hambley reported that there were four Recovery Zone Bond fund applications: Lance Osborne, Chippewa Partners, City of Medina and Medina County Fiber Network (MCFN). He stated that the commissioners would be meeting to review the applications within the next week.

**Old Business:**

**Fiber Network Committee Report:** Mr. Paydo reported that he has received 7 letters of support and intent to use, for the Medina County Network. They include: EBO Group, Westfield Group, City of Wadsworth, Dorman Farrell LLC, Medina Hospital and MTD Consumer Products.

Mr. Gerspacher motioned that the Medina County Port Authority MCPA accept the pricing rates supplied by OneCommunity, with the commercial pricing to serve as the base rate and discount applied to the public rate, as recommended by the Fiber Network Committee. Mr. Hutson seconded. All were in favor.

Mr. Gerspacher motioned the Recovery Zone Bond application to Medina County, for a total bond allocation request of \$4,186,000 (including \$2,736,000 in Recovery Zone Economic Development Bonds and \$1,423,000 in Recovery Zone Facility Bonds), as recommended by the Fiber Network Committee. Mr. Hutson seconded. All were in favor.

Mr. Gerspacher motioned that the MCPA board to extend the current letter of intent with OneCommunity through April 30, 2010. Mr. Hutson seconded. All were in favor.

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Mr. Hutson said that Squire Sanders LLC has been asked to engage in the writing of the fiber contracts for construction, maintenance and service.

**Innovation Park:** Mr. Hutson reported that future Innovation Park Businesses and tenants will be able to benefit from the Fiber Network and lower broadband costs, reflected on the pricing rates prepared by OneCommunity. Mr. Hutson stated that this will definitely help to market the property.

**Chippewa Landing Project:** Mr. Paydo stated that discussion of the Chippewa Landing portion of the meeting would take place in an executive session.

**Wadsworth Community Center:** Mr. Paydo stated that the City of Wadsworth has decided to fund the project.

**Public Comment:** Mr. Baach thanked the Medina County Port Authority for it's strong presence in the county and for it's hard wok to make the MCFN a reality.

**New Business:** Mr. Hutson stated that the MCPA may want to research the new developments in solar improvement districts. He stated that municipalities are able to tap into funds from bonds and then facilitate the money back into the community.

Commissioner Hambley stated that there is a seminar sponsored by Brickler and Eckler coming up and that he would find out the dates and email information to Mr. Paydo.

Mr. Paydo stated the need to enter executive session to discuss the potential acquisition of real estate by the MCPA in the Chippewa Landing project. Mr. Trimble made a motion to enter and Mr. Harris seconded. The executive session began at 8:25 AM.

**Roll Call:**

Ms. Price, yes; Mr. Gerspacher, yes; Mr. Gerber, yes; Mr. Harris, yes; Mr. Trimble, yes; Mr. Hutson, yes and Mr. Paydo, yes.

Mr. Trimble made a motion to end the executive session and Mr. Gerber seconded.

**Roll Call:** Ms. Price, yes; Mr. Gerspacher, yes; Mr. Gerber, yes; Mr. Harris, yes; Mr. Trimble, yes; Mr. Hutson, yes and Mr. Paydo, yes.

The executive session ended at 8:38 AM.

Mr. Paydo congratulated Mr. Hutson on his election to the Cloverleaf Schools Board of Education.

**Adjournment:** Mr. Paydo adjourned the meeting at 8:39 AM.

**Please Note:** The next scheduled MCPA meeting is **Wednesday, December 2** at 8 a.m. in Balcony Room B (310) County Administration Building