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**Medina County Port Authority
Board Meeting
June 3, 2009**

Attendance: Port Authority Board: Ron Paydo, Bill Hutson, Skip Trimble, Bill Frantz, Laurie Price, and Todd Gerber. MCEDC staff: Bethany Dentler, Sandy Neuman and Jodi Robbins.

Guests: Karen Wolff and Mike Sammon, Armstrong.

Mr. Paydo called the meeting to order at 8:03 AM.

Approval of minutes: Mr. Trimble made a motion to approve the May 6, 2009 Medina County Port Authority (MCPA) meeting minutes. Ms. Price seconded. All were in favor.

Chairman's Report: None

Financials: Mr. Frantz presented the year to date financial report through May 2009. Hearing no questions or changes, Mr. Hutson motioned to approve the financials as presented. Mr. Trimble seconded. All were in favor.

Commissioner's Report: None

Old Business

Medina County Fiber Network project: Mr. Hutson reported that the Fiber Network Negotiations Committee was still conducting meetings to finalize plans for the project. Mr. Hutson also reported that the Medina County Port Authority (MCPA) is in the early stages of drafting a construction, maintenance and service contract for the fiber ring. Mr. Hutson suggested that the MCPA engage Jeff Bomberger of Squire, Sander & Demsey, MCPA's legal council, to review the contract drafts. Mr. Hutson stated that the Summit County Port Authority (SCPA) would also be willing to review the drafts of the contract.

Ms. Dentler reported that stimulus money set aside for Broadband projects will not be awarded until December 2009, although the applications are due this summer. The application review process is scheduled to begin in August 2009 with announcement of awarded funds in December, 2009.

Wadsworth Community Center: Ms. Dentler reported that the project was moving forward and is now in the financing stages. Mr. Paydo reported that the project did make the list of projects to be supported by the Ohio Schools Facilities Fund.

Chippewa Landing-Manor House Project: Ms. Dentler reported that Chippewa Partners has placed the Manor House construction on hold, but is moving forward with a creative financing model for Phase One of the project that includes the hotel.

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C.B. Richard Ellis: Ms. Dentler reported that the lead which has shortlisted Innovation Park is in the plans review stage at the company.

Senate Bill 353: Ms. Dentler reported that the final bill clarified the notice provisions so that public notice is only being required for "physical" Port facilities such as shipping or storage buildings, not all Port Authority financing projects.

New Business:

Potential Wadsworth Project: Ms. Dentler reported that there is a potential project for an unidentified Wadsworth manufacturer in the realm of green technology. This company hopes to obtain financing to expand production of new product lines. MCPA has been in discussions with the Summit County Port Authority (SCPA) and the State of Ohio regarding options.

MCPA Public Records Policy: Ms. Dentler reported that there are some recommended updates and changes to the approved policy. With approval from the Medina County Prosecutor's office, it is proposed to change the price per copy charged for public records requests to ten cents per copy. Mr. Trimble made a motion to change the price to ten cents per copy and Mr. Hutson seconded. All were in favor.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: Mr. Paydo adjourned the meeting at 8:32 AM.

Please Note: The next scheduled MCPA meeting is
Wednesday, July 1st at 8 a.m. in Balcony Room B (310)
of the County Administration Building.