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**Medina County Port Authority
Board Meeting
April 7, 2010
*AMENDED MINUTES***

Attendance: Port Authority Board: Ron Paydo, Bill Frantz, Todd Gerber, Bob Kenderes, Bill Hutson, Skip Trimble and Commissioner Steve Hambley. MCEDC staff: Jodi Robbins and Sandy Neuman.

Mr. Paydo called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM.

Approval of minutes: Mr. Kenderes made a motion to approve the March 3, 2010 Medina County Port Authority (MCPA) meeting minutes. Mr. Hutson seconded. All were in favor.

Financials: Mr. Frantz reported that the financials through February 2010 had been distributed previously for review. Mr. Trimble made a motion to approve the financial report as presented and Mr. Gerber seconded. All were in favor.

Mr. Frantz presented the proposed 2010 MCPA budget. Mr. Trimble made a motion to approve the budget as presented and Mr. Hutson seconded. All were in favor.

Chairman's Report: none

Director's Report: none

Commissioner's Report: Commissioner Hambley reported that the Village of Westfield Center, upon his presentation of a participation proposal, passed a resolution of intent to support the fiber project by guaranteeing 5% of the bond reserve fund.

Mr. Hutson stated that he serves as the law director for the Village of Westfield Center and as such must recuse himself from all discussion on behalf of the Medina County Port Authority and as legal council for Westfield Center in regards to the Village's potential or actual support of the fiber network reserve fund and that Ralph Berry of **Largent, Berry, Preston & Jamison, LLP**, will serve as outside counsel for the Village on this matter.

Commissioner Hambley stated that he will continue to seek support for the bond reserve fund participation at a joint meeting with the Cities of Brunswick and Medina where he will present the same proposal based on fiber mileage in each city. He is hoping for at least 35% combined commitment from the cities and villages to assist in supporting the required County reserve fund.

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Mr. Paydo reported that he, Mr. Gerspacher, and Mr. Schabel of Philpott Rubber recently met with each Commissioner individually to answer any questions in an effort to gain their unanimous support for the fiber project funding.

Old Business:

Fiber Network Report: Mr. Hutson reported that the Fiber Committee had asked a consortium of Medina County Business leaders to attend the April 5, 2010 Commissioners meeting to urge the commissioners to support the fiber project. Mr. Hutson reported that there was a conference call scheduled with Brian Cooper of R.W. Baird next week to discuss the MCPA's financial documentation needed for getting the bonds ready to take to market. Mr. Hutson also reported that OneCommunity was applying for another round of grant funding that allowed a certain amount to be acquired for rural hospitals in the state. The Fiber Committee was supportive of OneCommunity's application for additional grant funding.

Mr. Paydo stated that Medina Hospital, now a Cleveland Clinic Hospital, is charged with updating all records to electronic versions, making the fiber network in Medina County very important to the hospital.

Innovation Park: Mr. Hutson reported that there has been no activity.

Chippewa Landing Project: Mr. Paydo reported that Chippewa Partners has applied to the state for several surrounding counties' unused portions of Recovery Zone Bonds allocations.

Mr. Paydo proposed a resolution to the board declaring MCPA's intent to issue bonds for the Chippewa Landing Project. Mr. Hutson made a motion to approve the resolution and Mr. Gerber seconded. MCPA Resolution # 2010-03 was passed with five in favor and one opposed.

MCPA Conflict of Interest Policy: Mr. Paydo reported that a MCPA Conflict of Interest Policy draft had been sent out for review. He asked the board to familiarize themselves with the policy and be ready to act on it at the May board meeting.

New Business: none

Adjournment: Mr. Paydo adjourned the meeting at 8:38 AM.

Please Note: The next scheduled MCPA meeting is
Wednesday, May 5 at 8 a.m. in Balcony Room B (310) County Administration Building