

REGULAR SESSION

TUESDAY

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The Board of Huron County Commissioners met this date in Regular Session. Roll being called found the following members present: Terry Boose, Joe Hintz, Bruce Wilde.

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 305.14 the Record of the Proceedings of the April 9, 2019 and April 16, 2019 meeting(s) were presented to the Board. Terry Boose made the motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the April 9, 2019 and April 16, 2019 meeting(s) and approve as presented. Joe Hintz seconded the motion. Voting was as follows:

Aye – Terry Boose
Aye – Joe Hintz
Aye – Bruce Wilde

19-132

**IN THE MATTER OF CERTIFYING CLAIMS SCHEDULES TO THE HURON COUNTY
AUDITOR FOR PAYMENT**

Terry Boose moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, as per Ohio Revised Code 305.10, a resolution must be made by the Board of Huron County Commissioners to accompany the Claims Schedule to the Huron County Auditor's Office for payment; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby approve Claim Schedule 04/30/19 and authorizes the Huron County Auditor to make the necessary warrants; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the foregoing resolution was adopted and all actions and deliberations of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Huron, Ohio relating thereto were conducted in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Joe Hintz seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Mr. Boose to abstain on the payment to Norwalk Concrete.

The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Terry Boose
Aye – Joe Hintz
Aye – Bruce Wilde

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**IN THE MATTER OF AWARDING BID AND ENTERING INTO CONTRACT FOR THE
SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF MATERIALS FOR THE WILLIAMS ROAD BRIDGE (T.R.-027-
00.89)**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution #19-090, and after notice was given pursuant to Section 307.87 of the Ohio Revised Code, Huron County sought bids for the Supply and Delivery of Materials for the Williams Road Bridge (T.R. -027-00.89) for the Huron County Engineer;

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WHEREAS, bids was received and opened on Friday, April 12, 2019 at 10:01 a.m.;

WHEREAS, these bids have been reviewed by the County Engineer as to their compliance with applicable terms and conditions of the bid with a recommendation from the Engineer that such bid be awarded to U.S. Bridge, Cambridge, Ohio; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby award the bid to and enter into contract for Supply and Delivery of Materials for the Williams Road Bridge (T.R.-027-00.89) with U.S. Bridge, Cambridge, Ohio with a completion date of August 30, 2019; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that all further matters relative to the award of this bid is to be coordinated through and with the Huron County Engineer; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the foregoing resolution was adopted and all actions and deliberations of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Huron, Ohio relating thereto were conducted in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Joe Hintz seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Mr. Boose asked how much the bid came in at. Ms. Ziemba said it was for \$98,623.00. This includes everything.

The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Terry Boose

Aye – Joe Hintz

Aye – Bruce Wilde

**Contract on file*

19-134

IN THE MATTER OF LETTING BIDS FOR THE 2019 ZENOBIA ROAD COLDMIX OVERLAY PROJECT

Terry Boose moved to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Huron County Engineer has requested approval for seeking bids for the 2019 Zenobia Road Coldmix Overlay Project; and

WHEREAS, notice of this must be placed in a newspaper of general circulation and on the County's website pursuant to Section 307.87 of the Ohio Revised Code; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby approve of letting bids for the 2019 Zenobia Road Coldmix Overlay Project; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that notice of this will be placed in a newspaper of general circulation and on the County's website www.hccommissioners.com until the bid is opened on Friday, May 17, 2019 at 10:01 a.m.; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the foregoing resolution was adopted and all actions and deliberation of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Huron, Ohio relating thereto were conducted in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Joe Hintz seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Terry Boose

Aye – Joe Hintz

Aye – Bruce Wilde

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids may be submitted on or before the bid opening date of May 17, 2019 until 10:00 a.m. local time, at the Huron County Commissioner's Office, 180 Milan Avenue, Suite 7, Norwalk, Ohio 44857, for the following Project: 2019 Zenobia Road Coldmix Overlay Project. Bids shall be opened and publically read aloud at 10:01 a.m.

Bid Documents, including contract terms & conditions, must be obtained for a \$25.00 (check only) non-refundable fee from the Huron County Engineer at 150 Jefferson Street Norwalk Ohio 44857, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (holidays excluded). Bidder may elect to have these documents mailed to them for an additional fee of \$15.00 for shipping.

Each bidder is required to furnish with its proposal a Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond in accordance with Section 153.54 of the Ohio Revised Code. Bid security furnished in Bond form, shall be issued by a Surety Company or Corporation licensed in the State of Ohio to provide said surety.

Each proposal must contain the full name of the party or parties submitting the proposal and all persons interested therein. Each bidder must submit evidence of its experiences on projects of similar size and complexity. The owner intends and requires that this project be completed no later than October 11, 2019.

All contractors and subcontractors involved with the project will to the extent practicable use Ohio products, materials, services, and labor in the implementation of their project. Additionally, contractor compliance with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 123 is required.

Bidders must comply with the prevailing wage rates on Public Improvements in Huron County, Ohio as determined by the Ohio Department of Commerce, Bureau of Wage and Hour Administration, 614.644.2239.

All proposals must be submitted bound in their entirety, and on the forms furnished in the Contract documents. Bid documents must be obtained from the Huron County Engineer, no copies will be accepted.

The Board of County Commissioners of Huron County reserves the right to waive any and all irregularities in the bids or bidding process and may reject any and all bids.

This advertisement may also be found on the Huron County Commissioners website at <http://www.hccommissioners.com> and can be accessed by clicking on Legal Notices.

Advertise: May 2, 2019

19-135

**IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM CONTINGENCIES ACCOUNT #041
IN THE GENERAL FUND TO VETERAN SERVICE ACCOUNT #033**

Terry Boose moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Huron County Veteran Service Commission has requested the funds received from an overpayment to Spectrum in the amount of \$143.87 and the Bureau of Workers Compensation refund in the amount of \$2,773.58 be appropriated into account #033; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves of the appropriation of moneys as follows:

FROM:	Dept.	Account	Fund	Amount	TO:	Dept.	Account	Fund	Amount
	041	00572	001	\$2,917.45		033	00475	001	\$2,917.45
		Contingencies					Veterans	Other Expenses	
								and further	

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BE IT RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be sent to the Department requesting transfer, and the Huron County Auditor, and the Auditor's office will make the appropriate journal entry;
and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the foregoing resolution was adopted and all actions and deliberations of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Huron, Ohio, relating thereto were conducted in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Joe Hintz seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Mr. Boose asked how we had an overpayment to Spectrum. Ms. Ziemba noted it was a credit from the move.

The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Terry Boose
Aye – Joe Hintz
Aye – Bruce Wilde

19-136

IN THE MATTER OF HIRING FOR THE POSITION OF INTERMITTENT LABORER, FOR THE HURON COUNTY TRANSFER STATION/SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

Terry Boose moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Huron County Commissioners to hire an Intermittent Laborer for the Huron County Transfer Station; and

WHEREAS, applicant Darren A Hainline was deemed by experience, skills, and work history to be the most qualified for the position; and

WHEREAS, Peter Welch, Director of Operations recommends hiring Darren A Hainline to the position of Intermittent Laborer providing the candidate passes a pre-employment drug screening, reference check and receipt of a copy of a valid driver's license effective May 1, 2019; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves the hiring of Darren Hainline to the position of Intermittent Laborer at the starting rate of \$14.00 per hour effective May 1, 2019; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the foregoing resolution was adopted and all actions and deliberations of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Huron, Ohio, relating thereto were conducted in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Joe Hintz seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Terry Boose
Aye – Joe Hintz
Aye – Bruce Wilde

19-137

IN THE MATTER OF HIRING FOR THE POSITION OF SEASONAL WORKER FOR HURON COUNTY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Terry Boose moved the adoption of the following resolution:

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WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Huron County Commissioners to hire a Seasonal Worker for the summer of 2019 for the Huron County Department of Buildings and Grounds, and

WHEREAS, applicant Grace Gillen was interviewed and deemed qualified to fill this position; and

WHEREAS, Peter Welch, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds recommends the hiring of Grace Gillen as a Seasonal Worker for the Department of Buildings and Grounds effective May 28, 2019; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves the hiring of Grace Gillen to the position of Seasonal Worker for the Huron County Department of Building and Grounds at the rate of \$10.00 per hour effective May 28, 2019; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the foregoing resolution was adopted and all actions and deliberations of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Huron, Ohio, relating thereto were conducted in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Joe Hintz seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Mr. Boose asked if this was the second person hired for summer help. Ms. Ziemba said it was, the other one was coming back from last year.

The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Terry Boose
Aye – Joe Hintz
Aye – Bruce Wilde

19-138

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING REQUESTS FOR EXPENDITURE OF OVER \$1,000.00
SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD APRIL 30, 2019**

Terry Boose moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, requests for expenditures of over \$1,000.00 have been submitted for approval by the Board of Huron County Commissioners as follows:

Permanent Improvement #310

BJAAM Environmental, Inc.	Tier I Source Investigation @ Shady Lane & Airport	\$19,852.00
		now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves of the requests for expenditure of over \$1,000.00 as listed above; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the foregoing resolution was adopted and all actions and deliberations of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Huron, Ohio relating thereto were conducted in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Joe Hintz seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Mr. Boose wanted to make sure the Airport Board was aware of this so they wouldn't be surprised when work began. He clarified that this was not for tank removal, but for soil sampling in areas where underground tanks had previously been removed.

The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

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Aye – Terry Boose

Aye – Joe Hintz

Aye – Bruce Wilde

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A RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO SECTION 5705.03 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE REQUESTING THE HURON COUNTY AUDITOR TO CERTIFY TO THE BOARD OF HURON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS THE TOTAL CURRENT TAX VALUATION OF HURON COUNTY, OHIO AND THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF REVENUE THAT WOULD BE GENERATED BY AN ADDITIONAL .75 MILL TAX LEVY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF A 9-1-1 SYSTEM AND FOR A COUNTYWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 5705.19(SS) OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE.

Terry Boose moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Huron County Board of Commissioners has previously established both a 9-1-1 system and a countywide public safety communications system within Huron County; and

WHEREAS, the Huron County Board of Commissioners has been informed by its legal counsel that *section 5705.03 of the Ohio Revised Code* requires the taxing authority of each subdivision to certify to the county auditor a resolution or ordinance requesting that the county auditor certify to the taxing authority the total current tax valuation of the territory of the subdivision, and the number of mills required to generate a specified amount of revenue or the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by a specified number of mills prior to submitting any tax levy to the voters of the subdivision. In addition, the certificate sent to the subdivision by the auditor containing the aforesaid information and a copy of the resolution or ordinance requesting the same, is now required to be attached to the resolution submitted to the Board of Elections requesting that the proposed levy be placed upon the ballot for consideration by the voters; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board has determined that it is necessary to submit to the voters at the election to be held on November 5, 2019 the question of an additional tax levy for the establishment and operation of a 9-1-1 system and a countywide public safety communications system, as authorized by *section 5705.19(SS) of the Ohio Revised Code*; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to *section 5705.03 of the Ohio Revised Code*, the Huron County Board of Commissioners requests that the Huron County Auditor certify to this Board the total current tax valuation of the entire territory of Huron County, Ohio, and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the adoption of an additional .75 mill tax levy for the establishment and operation of a 9-1-1 system and a countywide public safety communications system as authorized by *section 5705.19(SS) of the Ohio Revised Code*. The question of the adoption of this additional tax levy will be placed upon the ballot of the entire territory of Huron County for a term of five (5) years, to be levied on the entire territory of Huron County, Ohio, commencing in 2019, to be collected beginning in calendar year 2020; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Administrator/Clerk of this Board be, and she hereby is, directed to immediately certify a copy of this Resolution to the Auditor of Huron County, Ohio, as soon as practical, in order to obtain the necessary information to submit the question of the adoption of the aforementioned additional tax levy to the Huron County Board of Elections on or by August 7, 2019, the deadline for submission of ballot issues to be submitted to the Board of Elections for inclusion on the ballots of Huron County for the election to be held on November 5, 2019; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the foregoing resolution was adopted and all actions and deliberations of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Huron, Ohio, relating thereto were conducted in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Joe Hintz seconded the motion.

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***Discussion:** Mr. Boose noted he did not like the way parts of the resolution read but he has been assured all it does is allow us to determine how much $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mill will raise. He stressed he absolutely is not in favor of moving this forward until we find out for sure, in writing, how the dollars will be flowing for this levy. He believes it is something that needs to be done soon. He is okay with this resolution as long as all it really does is allow us to go to the Auditor's office so he can tell us how much $\frac{3}{4}$ mill will raise.

The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Terry Boose
Aye – Joe Hintz
Aye – Bruce Wilde

At 9:14 a.m. Public Comment –

Sally Norman, Lyme Twp. Ms. Norman read a prepared statement asking the Commissioners to intervene with the Ohio Power Siting Board against the wind turbines for the countless reasons previously stated. She presented a copy of her statement, along with a copy of House Bill 223 which would reduce the setback requirements for the wind turbines. She did not feel the new setback requirements were adequate.

Lee Tansey, Engineer, Mr. Tansey mentioned that he had arrived late and asked if there were any questions about the earlier resolutions. Mr. Boose asked what cold mix overlay was. Mr. Tansey said it is like a thick chip and seal. He said it is good for rural applications, it is cheaper. He indicated they are able to do the Zenobia Road project this year because of the money they will receive from the gas tax.

Ms. Norman questioned Mr. Tansey about the western part of Pontiac Section Line Road in Norwich Township. She said it is very bad, they avoid it. Mr. Tansey said they are aware of it, the problem is there are many roads with the same problem. Mr. Wilde noted it was funding. When Ms. Norman mentioned the bridge on Section Line Road, Mr. Tansey again explained that also was a matter of funding. They had done emergency repairs to keep the bridge open, but it would take about 6 years to obtain the federal funding necessary to widen the bridge as she was requesting.

IN THE MATTER OF TRAVEL

Terry Boose moved to approve the following travel request this day. Joe Hintz seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Terry Boose
Aye – Joe Hintz
Aye – Bruce Wilde

Roland Tkach and Beth Horvath, Auditor, to Upper Sandusky, Ohio for CAAO District Meeting on April 26, 2019.

Roland Tkach, Auditor, to Westerville, Ohio for CAAO Executive and Legislative Meeting on May 2, 2019.

Terry Boose, Joe Hintz and Skip Wilde, Commissioners, and Roxanne Sandles, Senior Enrichment, to Sandusky County for Transportation Meeting, May 2, 2019.

Terry Boose and Joe Hintz, Commissioners, to Ashland, Ohio for Regional Legislative Briefing, on May 3, 2019.

Cherise Crable, Commissioners, to Knox County, Ohio for Regional Training on May 10, 2019.

Art Mead, EMA, to Findlay Ohio for Hospital Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) Response on May 10, 2019.

Christopher Enoch, Public Defender, to Columbus, Ohio for Juvenile Seminar on May 16 –May 17, 2019.

Lenora Minor, JFS, to Findlay, Ohio for NW District Meeting on May 16, 2019 and June 20, 2019.

Amy Leibold and Lisa Albright, JFS, to Columbus, Ohio for SUTQ Training on June 24, 2019.

Jan Tkach, Recorder, to Oregon, Ohio for Summer C.E. on June 18 and June 19, 2019.

At 9:26 a.m. the Board recessed.

At 9:38 a.m. the Board resumed regular session with **Steve Burggraf, John Cochran, Family Life Counseling**. Dr. Burggraf wanted to say how much they appreciate support and encouragement for their cause. He also wanted to provide some updates on the transitions occurring with Family Life. One of the challenges was staffing. Since he began coming back to Family Life they have hired six people, including an LPCC-S

One of their other tasks has been to try to develop an independent structure for each of the sites – Willard, Norwalk & Bellevue. They have tried to consolidate both the teams and the leadership at these sites. He thinks that will bring an element of strength to the organization.

Dr. Burrgraf said he continues to get calls from schools and has tried to consolidate this as well. He said he hopes to offer even more specialized training to that team, and have fewer people going in and out of the schools. He noted that the schools are much more receptive than they had been in the past.

Dr. Burrgraf wanted to discuss Recovery House and noted they are fully committed to the process there. They will be meeting to discuss feasibility and will move forward with that type of care. They will be taking over operations at the House of Hope at the beginning of July. This is a Level 2 facility; they would also like to open a Level 3 facility.

Dr. Cochran noted that they had served the community as best they could over the last two to three years. They are now taking a new approach where they are doing more community identification of services. By becoming involved in some of the smaller communities, they hope to better serve the County. Also, he believe the certified offices they have in the school districts are the way of the future, a way to raise access to the residents of the community by having more facilities available where they can gain access to services.

Mr. Boose suggested they check out the Leader in Me program in Willard. Dr. Burrgraf asked if it was based on the seven habits of highly effective people. Mr. Wilde said it is, but is geared towards kids. Mr. Boose explained the seven principal are specifically taught to the 4th graders, but it is part of the entire curriculum, right down to preschool. There was discussion on this program and the positive effect it has had on the students.

Dr. Burrgraff told the Board he is currently overseeing the facility three days a week – Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. He indicated he will continue to do this until such time as there is leadership in place to sustain and to keep the quality where it needs to be.

Mr. Wilde asked if they were outgrowing their building on Woodlawn. Dr. Burrgraf said they have the old Foundation Church and that has helped significantly. However, they are looking for a long term solution. He noted it makes things easier to facilitate when everything is under one roof. The long term goal is to have a central location, although they will want a community accessibility plan where some of the sites they have now will continue to be utilized. This will enable more people to be served.

At 9:57 a.m. the board recessed.

At 10:04 a.m. the board resumed regular session with **Frank Glaszner, Integrated Network Concepts and Watch Communications**. Those in attendance for the presentation are: John Martin, New London; Brian Gilmore, Willard, Jim Ludban, Willard; Carol Knapp, HCDC; Tom Gray, Monroeville.

Mr. Glaszner indicated Watch Communications, out of Lima, Ohio, has won \$52.4 million in Connect America funds. His company, Integrated Network Concepts, is partnering with Watch Communications. INC assists Watch with their network and network infrastructure, as well as providing service to commercial nonresidential clients.

Mr. Glaszner explained the FCC had reviewed data to determine what services were available to both residences and business locations throughout the country. Their minimum threshold for service is 10 meg down and 1 meg up. They realized that funding was a common problem, so the FCC offered \$1.4 billion in Connect America funds. Watch Communications was ranked sixth in the amount of funds received. Their goal is to build an entire network to provide 100 x 20 service to all their customers. Watch has focused their footprint on Ohio, Indiana and Illinois.

Today Mr. Glaszner wanted to discuss: 1) the state of the union – what is really happening within the industry; 2) P3 partnerships (public/private partnership) and how it is affected by CAD funding; 3) existing networks versus new networks – where we are and where we are going; 4) what is the actual process of partnering together and 4) what are the next steps after that.

Watch Communications has been in business since 1992. They offer fixed wireless, internet broadband and fiber optic; TV services and web hosting digital voice and commercial services. They have partnered with Integrated Network Concepts as their full managed service IT firm. He explained Watch currently has 22,000 subscribers on their network, and is one of the largest wireless internet service providers in the nation. They have over 525 vertical assets including cell towers, both natively built towers owned by Watch and towers in kind; also 300' towers typically used for emergency radio; grain elevators and water towers. In addition they have Community Fiber Solutions, which is located in northeast Indiana into Ohio – Celina and St. Mary's region. They have fiber assets throughout that area

Mr. Wilde questioned Mr. Glaszner about the possibility of 9-1-1 services. He explained Verizon is the County's only provider and they are very expensive. Mr. Glaszner said they could help assist with allowing access to their network for those types of uses. He said that, whether as a primary or a redundant type of service, it is all going to be based on reliability. He went on to explain there are certain levels of fixed wireless. There is "best effort fixed wireless" for somebody who doesn't want to spend a lot of money but wants basic service. Then each of the packages they sell has a much stronger service level agreement. He said their commercial services are all SLA driven – Service Level Agreement driven. They offer their clients options based on their need.

Mr. Ludban asked if Mr. Glaszner could return to the 9-1-1 question later if there was time. He was not sure it had been answered and they have a real interest in 9-1-1. Mr. Grey noted that the level of service goes back to public safety qualification hardening. He said this network isn't public safety qualified as such. Mr. Glaszner stated it can be. Mr. Grey said he understands, but public safety hardening is an important element of the entire process. He said not to confuse Verizon with this type of network. Mr. Glaszner said that is what he had explained – primary vs. secondary. They can harden the network and do exactly what is being asked of them, but there is going to have to be an investment to do that. This is where the P3 relationship comes into play.

Mr. Glaszner explained Watch has partnered with Integrated Network Concepts, Findlay Engineering, After Image, Sysco and Microsoft to handle each aspect of the process, including the engineering work, site location and propagation studies. He noted Sysco allows them to virtualize a network and create multiple networks within a network virtually. It would be possible for the County and all its facilities to have their own network over fixed wireless. Mr. Glaszner indicated this could be done both securely and hardened. This would allow them to meet the specific criteria for 9-1-1.

Mr. Glaszner indicated the state of the union is really about closing the digital divide. The service in rural areas is usually not adequate. Mr. Boose said he was aware of one company that has the ability to get Verizon, but it will cost them \$75,000 to build to them. Mr. Glaszner acknowledged that is the challenge – there is always a way to get it, the question is how much are you willing to spend? He explained this is why fixed wireless actually exists, because they have the ability to build it relatively inexpensively. Fiber is very expensive, and the challenge with rural America is there are not enough residents in an area to offset the cost. The Connect America funds are helping with this problem. He noted technological development is important to economic growth. Manufacturers and employers move to markets with more available resources. Employees are one of these resources, and millennials are moving back to urban metropolitan "smart communities".

Mr. Glaszner continued by saying that, for them to come in, expand the network into the Huron County and sprinkle more bandwidth, doesn't resolve all the problems. Part of their goal is to educate on the benefits of these type of partnerships – let the public know why they are doing this together. Mr. Glaszner stressed they are not asking for money from the County. They are asking for cooperation, for a partnership. The local County entities have relationships within the community that would take him years to develop.

Mr. Glaszner stated they are interested in establishing necessary partnerships and developing strategic relationships. He would like to find out what we were trying to accomplish at County and municipal levels so they can determine what they can do to help. He wanted to find out if there is symmetry. He feels they can improve quality of life and efficiency using technology. He suggested the possibility of cameras in

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rural areas that are difficult to access. This would allow someone to see what is going on during an emergency, which will allow better planning and alleviate the necessity of sending everyone out at once.

Mr. Glaszner continued by explaining what a public/private partnership is. Part of this is educating the public, both from a consumer and a business standpoint. The other is what assets does the County have available that they could use? What towers, buildings, or utility pole infrastructure can his company utilize to help deploy. It is more cost effective to use what is available rather than building new.

Mr. Grey stated they may be able to provide redundancy but the County would still have to rely on Verizon or Frontier. Mr. Glaszner did not necessarily think this was the case. He said it would depend on the comfort level and how much investment the County was going to make in that technology. He informed them he has a municipality that runs solely off of fixed wireless, it is reliable. However, this would require installing a \$5,000 or \$10,000 piece of equipment instead of a \$200 piece of equipment.

Mr. Glaszner said their goal is to deliver what they promise. This is where a partnership comes into play. The County, the municipalities and organizations within the county are what they call the stakeholders. He wants to make sure they are meeting our initiatives. The County would assist with that by in kind contributions – we would give them access to assets and infrastructure. Mr. Glaszner said this was done through an IRU – Indefeasible Right of Use. This would allow him to continue to build off our network by giving him access to a certain percentage through the IRU. Mr. Ludban wanted to know if we allowed them to have access, would we be required to give it to everybody that asks for it. Mr. Strickler was not sure and will check into the answer.

Mr. Boose asked who he meant when he said he wants to work with “us”. Did he mean the County, or all the cities individually? Mr. Glaszner indicated it is up to each County. He said there can be a team of people that represent each of the stakeholders - municipalities, commissioners, economic development, mayoral, etc. He said the team would stay in communication with Watch, and their contribution in kind could be access to fiber, access to towers, access to facilities, as well as introducing him to the farm bureaus, to the major employers. He explained our part is to open doors to expedite the process

Mr. Ludban asked Mr. Glaszner if he saw this process stabilizing rates, increasing rates or the competitive environment reducing rates? Mr. Glaszner answered by saying the FCC has already capped their rates. He thought a competitive landscape will drive some of that pricing down. However, he also thought this may lead to more bundled services - rather than lower prices, people may be offered more for their money. He also explained they are not in the business of selling services, but in the business of connecting us to the services.

Mr. Boose asked where we go from here. Mr. Glaszner thought we should decide what the County’s initiatives are – what are we trying to accomplish. Mr. Glaszner said from a wireless perspective, they have the ability to layer their network. He then gave a long explanation of the different spectrums that exist, as well as different problems that occur in the industry.

Mr. Glaszner said the County can help them craft relationships and figure out who the stakeholders are. We can help him determine who would like to take advantage of these initiatives or have these types of initiatives, such as building high speed internet access to the rural areas. Or even creating a segregated network for the County so they would not have to rely on a carrier. He explained this doesn’t mean we would mitigate our services, but the County could choose to move some of the more secure requirements into the cloud and have access to data centers that they may not have access to or even be aware of.

Mr. Glaszner suggested creating a controlled survey and sent it to all potential stakeholders in the County. He said it should contain specific questions we would like answered, from a technical, economic development and a governing perspective. Mr. Wilde clarified the stakeholders would be the school districts, cities, etc. Mr. Boose asked how the townships fell into this. Mr. Glaszner said it would depend on their initiatives. He thought if they had water towers in the townships, those could be their in kind contribution. Mr. Strickler indicated the townships don’t necessarily own the water towers, Northern Ohio Rural Water does. Mr. Glaszner understood, but said the townships and village could still assist with the process.

Mr. Wilde asked Mr. Glaszner about the timeline and process. Mr. Glaszner indicated they should sit down and come up with a timeline; determine who to invite to the table as a stakeholders, start looking at the assets available – fiber, towers, physical buildings. Determine if any major farmers in the area want to

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contribute. He noted he needs a quarter acre to build a tower. Mr. Boose asked if he was actually looking for the towers or space to build the towers. Mr. Glaszner said both, but the less he has to contract the better. Sometimes it makes more sense build a tower, as leasing from a large company like Verizon can cost anywhere from \$500 to \$3,000/month.

Mr. Wilde asked specifically about Huron County. Mr. Glaszner said he would run propagation studies on each of the towers and proposed towers and look at the number of residences and businesses that fall within those areas. They then cross reference that to the competitive landscape to see what type of services are being offered. Some areas may be less than 10 x 1; some areas may be up to the 15 or 20 range. He would still be able to service these areas. He thought they might do a pre-sales campaign, to see how many consumers would want these other services at that price point.

Mr. Gray asked about the difference between cost of land lines compared to towers as far as service to cover the county. Mr. Glaszner indicated it would be very competitive. Ms. Knapp clarified that, if the partnership process starts now, he would identify action steps we need to take to keep him on target. Once he receives a commitment, then he would know when he would be able to begin construction. Mr. Glaszner said that was correct. Ms. Knapp asked for a rough timeframe. He said three to six years as required by funding. The more cooperation they receive from us the sooner they will begin the process.

Mr. Wilde noted that we would like to provide service to every inch of Huron County. Mr. Glaszner said they could do every inch that is serviceable, which will be between 80 – 90%. There will be some pockets they may not be able to service unless we create a small cell or different type of deployment. He questioned if there is one residence five miles off the road, how much investment are we going to make? Mr. Strickler asked if he was planning to build 4G or 5G. Mr. Glaszner said it was all LTD and fixed wireless.

Ms. Knapp asked about the 911 interest and public safety. He said they had not revisited it, but that could be done later. He thought they all agreed the next step would be to define the plan first. Mr. Wilde verified that everyone in attendance was interested. Mr. Glaszner suggested they hold a public session of the recognized stakeholders – the schools, economic development, the major manufacturers, hospital networks, mayors, trustees, remote universities in the footprints. He suggested they create a list of who the County thought the stakeholders may be, and come up with initiatives as a County. He thought a survey should be sent to the potential stakeholders. He wanted to feed them some information in the survey so it wouldn't go off on a tangent, but allow them that time to add additional input.

At 11:43 a.m. the board recessed.

At 11:51 a.m. the board resumed regular session and there's a need for an executive session.

Terry Boose moved to enter into ORC 121.22 (G)(3) a conference with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action. Joe Hintz seconded the motion. Discussion: update on opioid litigation and pending or imminent court action. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Terry Boose

Aye – Joe Hintz

Aye – Bruce Wilde

At 12:47 p.m. Terry Boose moved to end Executive Session ORC 121.22 (G) (3). Joe Hintz seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Terry Boose

Aye – Joe Hintz

Aye – Bruce Wilde

****No action taken***

Commissioner Hintz report

Sheriff Corbin forwarded an email he received regarding the Shady Lane sewage/water system. The stream seems to be receiving from the County jail and it is causing problems. This has happened in the past and everyone had thought it has been resolved. Mr. Boose asked if there was any proof it was coming from the jail. It was noted the high school and an assisted living facility could feed into the stream as well. Mr. Welch agreed to contact the City, find out what makes them think it is the jail, and try to work it out with them.

A Property Use Form was submitted from Norwalk Jaycee’s for their Berry Cute Baby contest to be held during the Strawberry Festival. They would like to use 22 E. Main in case of rain or high temperatures. Mr. Boose clarified they would have to use it as is; Mr. Hintz specified they need to leave it in the same condition the find it when they are done.

Ms. Ziemba was also contacted by Brian Fries, who is leasing the airport farm land. He would like to tile one area of the field. Mr. Boose feels he should approach the Airport Board with this request. Also, if he does install the tile Mr. Fries should make sure it drains properly and does not create problems somewhere else.

Ms. Ziemba also wanted to follow up on the Senior Enrichment and the Meals on Wheels complaint. Mr. Wilde had sent a response and informed them we do not oversee Senior Enrichment, but they appear to be working through the proper channels to hopefully resolve their issues.

Ms. Ziemba contacted Ms. Armstrong and informed her the Land Bank would like to be on CORSA insurance. Ms. Armstrong will research it to determine the process to do this.

Commissioner Boose report

Transportation meeting this Thursday in Sandusky County. He noted we really have not received any official notice. He is going to contact them and make sure we have correct information.

Commissioner Wilde report

Board of Revision tomorrow. They are still working through a lot of issue.

National Day of Prayer Thursday morning.

Community Correction Board meeting tomorrow.

Commissioner Boose report cont

Family & Children First Council. Mr. Boose said they had created a Service Coordination Management team. The people that were suggested to have representatives on the team were: Children’s Services, Department of Job & Family Services, Juvenile Court, DD, Health Department, Mental Health Board, Private Counseling Center, Special Ed Coordinators, and other organizations that work with children or for children’s needs.

Breakfast of Champions on May 15 and May 16. Mr. Hintz to attend both

Senior breakfast Willard on May 15. Mr. Boose will attend.

At 1:12 p.m. Joe Hintz moved to adjourn. Terry Boose seconded the motion. The meeting stood adjourned.

IN THE MATTER OF CERTIFICATION

The Clerk to the Board does hereby attest that the foregoing is a true and correct record of all actions taken by the Board of Huron County Commissioners on April 30, 2019.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNING

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:12 p.m.

ATTEST

Clerk to the Board

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	Terry Boose
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	Joe Hintz
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	Bruce Wilde