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**THURSDAY**

**SEPTEMBER 15, 2016**

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

Aye – Gary W. Bauer  
Aye – Tom Dunlap  
Aye – Joe Hintz

16-230

**IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTS WITHIN THE GENERAL FUND #036**

Joe Hintz moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, there is a need for appropriation adjustments; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Huron County Commissioners finds the request to be reasonable; now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves the following appropriation adjustments:

FROM:	Dept.	Account	Fund	Amount	TO:	Dept.	Account	Fund	Amount
	036	00280	001	\$4,465.00		036	00275	001	\$4,465.00
		Training					Contract/Repairs		and further

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Huron County Auditor is authorized and instructed to record said appropriation adjustment as approved; and further

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Clerk of the Board is instructed to certify a copy of this resolution to the Huron County Auditor and the department requesting said adjustment; 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.

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

Aye – Gary W. Bauer  
Aye – Tom Dunlap  
Aye – Joe Hintz

**IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR LEAVE**

**Peter Welch**/Commissioners/Sick/7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. September 12, 2016/Sick/9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. September 13, 2016.

**Jeff Deeble**/Building & Grounds/Sick/6:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. September 13, 2016.

**Stephen Minor**/Building & Grounds/Vacation/6:00 a.m. October 19, 2016 – 2:00 p.m. October 21, 2016.

**Christina Norton**/EMA/Vacation/8:00 a.m. November 7, 2016 – 4:30 p.m. November 14, 2016.

**SIGNINGS**

Letter drafted by Carol Knapp to IRS for the 501C3 application to clarify the questions that the IRS had.

*Tom Dunlap moved to approve the letter Carol Knapp drafted to the IRS for the 501C3 application. Joe Hintz seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:*

*Aye – Gary W. Bauer  
Aye – Tom Dunlap  
Aye – Joe Hintz*

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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

\* Gary W. Bauer \* Tom Dunlap \* Joe Hintz

Vickie Ziemba, Administrator/Clerk

September 14, 2016

Internal Revenue Service  
Exempt Organizations  
P O Box 2508  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45201

Attention: Ms. Lee  
Room 4522  
Group 7821

Re: Huron County Development Council  
Employer ID# 34-1537256

Dear Ms. Lee:

It is our understanding that the Huron County Development Council's application for 501(c)(3) status is in need of clarification relative to their activities impacting charitable classes and lessening the burden of government.

By providing economic development services to the businesses, citizens, and communities of Huron County, HCDC accomplishes charitable ends through the use of their business clients who may not themselves be members of a charitable class. The end result of economic development is the creation of jobs which provides relief to those in the IRS charitable classifications including the poor, distressed, unemployed, underemployed and underprivileged. Workforce development is enhanced by HCDC's efforts to provide employers with program information such as On the Job Training which provides financial assistance by supplementing the wages of employees as they learn their position.

The Moving Ohio Forward Demolition Program administered by the Huron County Development Council successfully lessened neighborhood tensions and combatted community deterioration by providing for the demolition of blighted, unsafe, high crime properties which increased the property value and desirability of many neighborhoods throughout the county. HCDC's administration of this program also lessened the financial burden on the county since the organization accepted the 5% administration costs provided for in the grant rather than the 10% desired by a regional organization that wanted to administer the program on behalf of the county.

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With the significant decrease in Local Government Funds, all governmental entities face difficult decisions on how to spend their limited resources. HCDC's existence allows cities and villages to benefit from the economic development services provided at the county level without financing the operations and staff of a local economic development organization.

At the request of the commissioners, the Huron County Development Council prepared necessary paperwork and will administer the Huron County Transportation Improvement District and the Huron County Land Bank. The T-I-D and Land Bank are both created by resolution of the County Commissioners. HCDC will administer these two programs on behalf of the County Commissioners as requested which lessens the burden on county government. The financial burden on the county is lessened as well since the commissioners don't have to dedicate additional salary to a county employee to administer these programs.

Community Reinvestment Areas are in the process of being created in the Village of New London and City of Willard. HCDC has prepared the application and necessary paperwork to create these reinvestment areas within those municipalities. The CRA zone is created by resolution of the municipality. HCDC lessened the burden of those municipalities with their expertise in completing the housing study and paperwork required to create these zones. The financial burden for these governmental entities was lessened since they did not have to dedicate staff to complete these activities and where not charged by HCDC for these services.

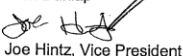
HCDC will be assisting the Village of Wakeman with the development of a comprehensive plan for the village. Again, HCDC is lessening the burden of government by providing their expertise to the Village in developing the plan which is included in their yearly membership of \$366.45 (versus hiring on outside firm at a cost of \$50,000 or more or dedicating their own staff).

These are a few examples of how the activities of the Huron County Development Council impacts the charitable classes of our county and lessens the burden of government. If any additional information is needed, please don't hesitate to let us know.

**HURON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

  
Gary W. Bauer, President

  
Tom Dunlap

  
Joe Hintz, Vice President

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Ms. Knapp explained that Frontier came to the Development Council office to install a phone but found there was no phone jack. Carol Knapp asked if she needs to hire someone to put a phone in her new office. She will get with Natalie Beck and Frontier to find out what needs to be done.

Historical Design got two estimates for the exterior restoration of the Huron County Courthouse in the amount of \$49,100.00 from Midstate Contractors and \$46,100.00 from General Restoration. Bill Kunkle is recommending General Restoration, explaining that they are the lowest and best estimate and they have done good work for the county in the past. Mr. Kunkle has permission to move forward with this project.

*Tom Dunlap moved to approve the bid from General Restoration for the exterior restoration of the Huron County Courthouse. Joe Hintz seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:*

*Aye – Gary W. Bauer*

*Aye – Tom Dunlap*

*Aye – Joe Hintz*

**At 9:30 a.m.** Public Comment

Skip Wilde-Imagine a drug-free community task force is putting on an event October 2nd. A walk from Fisher-Titus to the rec center. Emily Keener will be singing, and other entertainment. In the lobby will be resources, so when a community member has a problem they know who to call and where to go. They will have future events to keep this action going.

Mr. Bauer asked Mike Nottke how the Issue 1 trip went. Mr. Nottke says there are 3 good projects that need to be looked at. The problem is the amount of cars that travel the township roads are low.

Mr. Bauer explained next Tuesday the meeting will be here like normal, Mr. Bauer will be absent. The meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup> will be at South Central High School.

**At 9:44 a.m.** the board recessed. Tom Dunlap left for another meeting.

**At 10:00 a.m.** the board resumed with Marla Sommer, Miriam House. Ms. Sommer stated they are seeing more domestic violence. Each year the episodes are worse and the number is increasing, however they have a good success rate. Ms. Sommer explained they get the victims into counseling and in with social workers. Majority do go to their own home and not back to the abuser, which is rare. Ms. Sommer explained 17 households, 12 of 17 were domestic violence. Once they leave the Miriam House, the ladies still keep in touch with the staff. Any support Miriam House gets from the community is appreciated. Ms. Sommer explained they had to let a few people go due to budget constraints. Ms. Sommer explained up to 18 individuals at one time is the most they have had, where they offer life skills, one is bible study and going to church. They will be reaching out to the ministries to see if they want to rotate.

**At 10:17 a.m.** the board recessed.

**At 10:30 a.m.** the board resumed with Roland Tkach, Auditor with the semi-annual update report. Mr. Tkach explained that as of December 1, 2016 the New Jail debt will be paid off. Mr. Tkach explained that the New BMV/Title office, Transfer Station and Soil & Water are not paid out of the General Fund. Mr. Tkach explained the sales tax, he explained 2015 was the highest year we have had, and 2016 is a typical spending year. Mr. Tkach stated that as of August we are 84% of budget.

**At 10:55 a.m.** Matt Raymond and Mr. Arbogast, Veterans came before the board to request approval for a resolution to create a capital improvement fund as a separate line item outside of the general fund. Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.13 paragraph (c), provides for the establishment of a capital projects fund to accumulate resources for constructing a building for the Huron County Veterans Services Office to occupy. The Huron County Veterans Service Commission is prepared to place funds in a capital improvements line item outside the County General Fund. Mr. Bauer asked Mr. Binette, Assistant Prosecutor his opinion.

Mr. Bauer said the decision will be made in two weeks they will have had a discussion about it. They may be using the funds for a new building or possibly renovating the current building capital improvement. Mr. Bauer reiterated that the commissioners will never evict the Veterans, they are where they are until they want to move. He would like to see them eventually get a new facility, but until then

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they will not be forced out of Shady Lane while he is here. Mr. Hintz said in the future there will always be a place for them, but it may not be the current building they are in. Mr. Hintz wanted to be upfront that he doesn't know that he is in favor of creating a separate line item, but he is in support of the Veterans. He will give it more thought and the board will discuss it and decide. The question arose about there being a date and time they need to have this done by. Mr. Tkach stated it would be clearer for auditing purposes if it were done this year.

At 11:06 a.m. Joe Hintz moved to adjourn. Gary Bauer 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 September 15, 2016.

**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 11:06 a. m.

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Gary W. Bauer

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Tom Dunlap

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Joe Hintz

**ATTEST**

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Clerk to the Board