

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.

19-352

**IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTS WITHIN THE TCAP FUND #142**

Terry Boose moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, there is a need for an appropriation adjustment; 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 adjustment:

FROM:	Dept.	Account	Fund	Amount	TO:	Dept.	Account	Fund	Amount
	142	00475	142	\$230.70		142	00125	142	\$199.82
		TCAP Other Expenses					TCAP Salary		
						142	00400	142	\$27.98
							TCAP OPERS		
						142	00460	142	\$ 2.90
							TCAP Medicare		

**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.

Joe Hintz seconded the motion.

**\*Discussion:** Ms. Ziemba explained this was due to the resignation of Mr. Light as Pretrial Officer.

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

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

**\*Discussion:** There was discussion about the upcoming resolutions and whether there should be a policy that requires anyone requesting a transfer come before the Board. Mr. Boose thought there should be an explanation for every transfer that is being requested. Ms. Ziemba asked if they wanted her to start scheduling in anyone who is making a request. Mr. Wilde thought it was a good idea. Mr. Hintz thought it could become very time consuming. Mr. Boose didn't think there should be any transfers at all. There was discussion about the necessity of bringing people in. Mr. Wilde continued with the meeting.

19-353

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

Terry Boose 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
	027	00525	001	\$50.00		027	00140	001	\$50.00
		Public Defender contract services					Public Defender Commission		
									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.

Joe Hintz seconded the motion.

*\*Discussion:* Ms. Ziemba said this was to cover additional fees to pay the board members for attending commission meetings. Mr. Boose asked if it had changed over the year. Ms. Ziemba said it did not say one way or the other.

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

- No – Terry Boose
- Aye – Joe Hintz
- Aye – Bruce Wilde

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

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
	023	00280	001	\$ 4,000.00		023	00126	001	\$ 4,000.00
		Sheriff-training					Sheriff – salaries overtime		
	023	00280	001	\$ 1,000.00		023	00175	001	\$ 2,000.00
		Sheriff-training					Sheriff – supplies		
	023	00475	001	\$ 1,000.00					
		Sheriff-other expenses							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.

Bruce Wilde seconded the motion.

**\*Discussion:** Mr. Wilde asked Deputy Ditz to explain what was going on. Deputy Ditz said they have identified some discrepancies and were working to fix them. He felt if you identify a discrepancy and do not act on it, you open yourself up to liability. Mr. Strickler agreed. One of these deficiencies was nighttime shooting. To remedy the discrepancy, they scheduled training at the range from 7:00 – 10:00 p.m. According to the contract, they are not allowed to manage schedules to avoid overtime. In order to have evening range time, day shift personnel had to come in during the evening; third shift personnel had to come in early; and additional staff was required on second shift. This created a conflict. It was done for training, but weapons qualification does not count as weapons training. That means it cannot be paid out of Training. That is one of the reasons for switching training money into overtime. In addition, overtime has increased because activity is up. Just recently they have had confrontations on Johnson Road, in Willard, and a shooting in Wakeman. Unfortunately, they just don't have the manpower for these things.

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

No – Terry Boose  
Aye – Joe Hintz  
Aye – Bruce Wilde

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Joe Hintz moved the adoption of the following resolution:

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**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:

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	036	00126	001	\$14,000.00		036	00125	001	\$18,759.92
		Jail Overtime					Jail-Salary		
	036	00425	001	\$ 2,605.42					
		Jail Worker Comp							
	036	00450	001	\$ 2,154.50					
		Jail Unemployment							
	036	00400	001	\$ 5,000.00		036	00176	001	\$ 5,000.00
		Jail PERS					Jail-Supplies		
	036	00126	001	\$10,000.00		036	00178	001	\$10,000.00
		Jail Overtime					Jail-Inmate food		
	036	00475	001	\$ 2,000.00		036	00275	001	\$ 2,000.00
		Jail Other expense					Jail-Contract/repairs		
	036	00526	001	\$ 1,000.00		036	00500	001	\$ 1,000.00
		Jail Electric					Jail-Hospitalization		
	036	00526	001	\$ 5,000.00		036	00528	001	\$ 6,000.00
		Jail Electric					Jail-Water/sewer		
	036	00529	001	\$ 1,000.00					
		Jail Trash							

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.

Bruce Wilde seconded the motion.

**\*Discussion:** Mr. Wilde and Mr. Hintz asked Deputy Ditz for clarification on these transfers. Mr. Wilde was concerned about all of them, but particularly Jail Salary. He asked if they had recently hired someone. Deputy Ditz said they had hired a few new people. There had been a lot of turnover and a lot of payouts. Every new employee requires training, which is costly.

Mr. Wilde is always concerned with water and noted the water bills are not going down. In fact, they continue to go up. Deputy Ditz said the inmates use the showers for hot water to make coffee or ramen noodles. Once they push the button the hot water runs for 7 or 8 minutes. They were looking at using microwaves. Once they receive a quote for the electrical work required they will know if this is going to work or not. The interim solution is to buy a hot water cooler. It runs \$1,200 and is certified to be used in a corrections facility. This will hold five gallons of hot water. Showers can then be turned off for the majority of the day. Mr. Boose asked if it was necessary for the commissary to provide the inmates with items that needed to be heated. He would like to see the water usage policy totally redone to bring costs down. Mr. Hintz asked if the increase in inmate population justified the increase in the water usage. Deputy Ditz said the increased population did have an impact, but he thought the problem went back to the showers being used for coffee. Mr. Boose wanted to know if there was some other way besides microwaves. He thought a Corrections Officer could hand them a cup of hot water. Deputy Ditz pointed out that would require man hours. He thought the solution as the igloo cooler. Mr. Boose didn't think the inmates needed coffee or ramen noodles.

Mr. Boose stressed that he believes in a zero base budget. Every year you start at zero. You determine what expenses you need for each month and factor in any expected increases. You look at what was spent last year and determine if that needs to be continued. Line item by line item. If there is extra money in a line item, it rolls into next year's budget. It is not meant to be moved around because you go over budget in another line item. Mr. Boose acknowledged that emergencies happen, but in this case he was not seeing an emergency. He felt that, by allowing transfers, they were completely disregarding the budget. If a transfer is required Mr. Boose would like someone to come in and explain why it is required, as well as what they are doing to prevent it from happening in the future. If Water & Sewer is \$6,000 short, he would like to know what they are doing to bring that cost down. It is too late for this month, the bill has to be paid. But he would like to see a change in policy for future bills. Deputy Ditz explained that, as far as Contract Repairs, they had a floor that collapsed three times. That was about a \$4,000 bill they absorbed for repairs. Mr. Boose thought that sometimes when an emergency comes up you have to decide what you can live without to cover what you need. He noted that back when they did the jail levy it had been based on a forecast. The State told them if they took so much in, they would have money to build the jail, pay off the bonds and operate the jail. Today there are no bonds to be paid, yet we are still paying more expenses than what sales tax brings in. There was discussion on how the situation should be handled. Deputy Ditz said he watches the budget and being fiscally responsible is important. He will take the message back and they will do better.

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

No – Terry Boose  
Aye – Joe Hintz  
Aye – Bruce Wilde

Mr. Wilde asked Chief Deputy Ditz if they were submitting for the capital budget for the jail. Mr. Boose reminded him it was due by November 27. Deputy Ditz said he reached out to their point of contact to determine what the scope was. They are also working with Art Mead and others to try to get funding. Mr. Wilde stressed they should not miss this opportunity. Mr. Boose said this is a big opportunity and he would include as much as they can. Mr. Wilde told him to include the five pages of "wish list" items he had presented him. Deputy Ditz thought it was a fairly simple process and intended to follow through.

**At 9:45 a.m. Public comment – none**

**At 9:45 a.m. Larry Silcox and John Colvin, Airport board.** Mr. Silcox stated he spoke with Mr. Strickler and the items he wished to discuss do not qualify to be discussed in executive session. Mr. Silcox handed out a stack of documents that he indicated were records requests for the last months, along with the responses. These have not been sent because there is a disagreement regarding a \$22.40 bill. The gentleman requesting the records hasn't paid the bill and refuses to recognize it. The airport's legal advisor has told

them not to forward any additional documents until the bill is paid. Mr. Silcox asked if anyone had reached out to other counties in regard to excessive records requests. Mr. Boose mentioned the Regional County Commissioners' Association meeting. He talked to a Richland County Commissioner, who is also a lawyer. Richland County had the same issue until they threatened to file harassment charges. Discussion regarding the number of records requests, the confusing and repetitive nature of the requests, and the amount of time spent fulfilling them. Mr. Boose asked Mr. Strickler to contact Richland County for assistance with this issue.

Next Mr. Silcox presented a list of things that needed to be done at the airport. He had 35 items on the list. He said he and Mr. Colvin were spending over 40 hours a month working on public records requests alone. Now the EPA is requiring daily checks of the plant, so someone has to go out there every day. He believes there should be some compensation for the board.

Mr. Silcox mentioned he told Friends of the Airport he was going to run the airport like a business, and he has done that. They have a good working relationship with the Friends. Mr. Silcox outlined the progress they had made at the airport over the last year. The County had purchased a new tractor for their use. They had purchased the batwing mower. With the new mower they are able to clean the ditches. They have gotten the water bill down to \$74/month. However, despite the repairs and improvements they have made, there is still a lot that needs done. Almost every roof is need of repair. They have an estimate of \$200,000 to repair the big hangar roof. They don't have \$200,000. He feels that, if they are going to continue to operate, the County is going to have to start paying for some of these items. It is the County's equipment, their buildings, and their property. Mr. Boose thought we need to know, if we are going to put money into the airport, are we going to get that money back? Mr. Silcox explained they have increased the hangar rents so they are in line with everyone else. If they go too high, no one will stay. They are doing what they can to recover costs. But even if all the hangars are rented they don't have enough money for daily expenses.

Mr. Silcox also explained they have a Master Plan update in the works for the airport. In a telephone conference with the FAA, they were informed the beacon needs replaced and a runway needs resurfaced. Mr. Silcox thought they could get grant money for these items, but there would still be expenses. He feels they have done everything they can to reduce costs. They are now looking to the Commissioners for assistance. To make matters worse, they have were told if the Master Plan update is approved, they will not be allowed to close for Summit. That will eliminate the \$10,000 they receive from Mr. Bader to do this.

Mr. Boose suggested that the Airport Board be included in the final budget talks. Mr. Silcox did not have any problem coming in and providing updates. He feels the Commissioners should be aware of what is going on.

19-356

**IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM ACCOUNT #099 RETIREMENTS IN THE GENERAL FUND TO ACCOUNT #027 PUBLIC DEFENDER**

Terry Boose moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, a transfer of funds is needed for the #027 Public Defender fund; now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves of the transfer of moneys from 099-00650-001 retirements in the amount of \$1,079.17 to the Public Defender's fund #027-00125-001 salaries and \$65.14 to 004-00460-001 Medicare; and further

**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 journal entry to the # 027 account; 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:** Ms. Ziemba explained the Public Defender's office had an employee who retired. They were able to cover all but the \$1,144.31. They hired a new person at a lower rate.

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

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

19-357

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING REQUESTS FOR EXPENDITURE OF OVER \$1,000.00  
SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD NOVEMBER 21, 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:

**Capital Projects**

RJ Beck Protective Systems	Fire alarm & security system (Admin Bldg.)	\$13,545.00 now therefore
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**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 asked if we had scheduled a date with Beck so we can inform the Health Department. Ms. Ziemba said she wanted to make sure it was approved before she set up anything. Mr. Boose said the Board of Elections received communication from the Health Department saying they would give Board of Elections the security system. He did not want to get in the middle. The Board of Elections can take it if they want it. Mr. Boose asked Ms. Ziemba to contact them and let them know this. Ms. Ziemba asked if we had to inform the Health Department what we were doing. Mr. Boose thought we were just installing a new system – we were not touching their system at all. Ms. Ziemba said removal of the old system was part of the quote, although they were not charging for this. They intended to use the existing wires. Mr. Boose did not want to remove any part of the security system. We would take our wires and connect the new system. The Health Department needs to remove everything and put it back the way it was. Ms. Ziemba said she would tell Mr. Beck to disregard the part where it says they will box up and remove the old equipment from the system at no charge. Mr. Boose said we do not want him touching their equipment other than to unhook the wires. He wants the Health Department to take care of it, he does not want the County to be liable for anything.

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

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

19-358

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING A MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN CLEMANS, NELSON & ASSOCIATES, INC. AND THE BOARD OF HURON  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Terry Boose moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Huron County Commissioners wishes to obtain assistance with management and/or fiscal consulting services in labor and employment; and

**WHEREAS**, Clemans, Nelson & Associates, Inc. has the desired knowledge and expertise to offer such assistance; and

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**WHEREAS**, the Board of Huron County Commissioners and Clemans, Nelson & Associates, Inc. desire to execute a Management Consultant Agreement for professional services for one year commencing November 21, 2019; now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners approves the Management Consultant Agreement with Clemans, Nelson & Associates, Inc. as attached hereto and incorporated herein;

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 said due to the changes we are having in Human Resources, he thinks this service is needed. He would like to see if this type of system will work for us over the next year and then reevaluate it. Mr. Wilde added the County had a contract with them previously, so there is a past working relationship. Mr. Boose pointed out the Engineer's office had just recently used their services.

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

Aye – Terry Boose

Aye – Joe Hintz

Aye – Bruce Wilde

*\*Agreement on file*

#### **SIGNINGS**

Property Use Form - Edison Young Americans for Freedom. They will be having a Freedom Celebration and would like to use the Courthouse steps and yard on December 13 from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. Mr. Wilde explained there this group had some controversy with the Administrators at Edison. The group is run by Dakota Sawyer. Mr. Boose explained the Administrators were allowing it, but they did not recognize it as a club. Mr. Boose thought some of the members were Huron County residents.

***Joe Hintz moved to approve signing the Property Use form for Edison Young Americans for Freedom. Terry Boose seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:***

***Aye – Terry Boose***

***Aye – Joe Hintz***

***Aye – Bruce Wilde***

#### **Assistant Prosecutor report**

The Clerk of Courts had requested a change in juror compensation and mileage for witnesses in civil cases. Juror fees are currently \$10; they are requesting \$15. Mileage is 25 cents. The statute says it shall not exceed 50.5 cents. Ms. Hazel is proposing 40 cents a mile. Mr. Boose asked if this was a request or a requirement. Mr. Strickler explained it is a requirement that the Board of Commissioners establish these amounts under the respective statutes. Mr. Boose asked why the Clerk of Courts was asking for this. Ms. Ziemba explained Ms. Hazel had discussed this with the Judges. Mr. Strickler said it was paid out of court costs, it did not come out of the General Fund. Mr. Boose would like to see what other counties are doing. Ms. Ziemba will get that information from Ms. Hazel.

#### **Administrator/Clerk report**

Ms. Ziemba explained she was starting to receive letters from various board members asking to be reappointed to their positions. She asked how the Commissioners would like her to proceed. Mr. Boose would like all the boards to inform us of any upcoming openings. He would like to put these board position openings in the paper and open it up for all the residents of the County. Ms. Ziemba suggested they come to us if they are interested, we will pass their information on to each board for their consideration.

Ms. Ziemba said she did have one letter of resignation from the Board of DD. Ms. Smith does not have anyone to fill this position.

#### **Commissioner Hintz report**

Auditor of State was in town. The major topic he talked about was cyber security. Mr. Hintz thought this is something we really need to take seriously. Mr. Boose also thought this was very important. He would like Mr. Hintz to work on it and see what we need to do. Mr. Wilde said that in most cases, the problems came from human error. Therefore, it was very important to have a plan of what to do when it happens.

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New member at WIOA meeting. They are also offering a meeting on cyber security on December 3. Mr. Hintz will not be able to attend since it is a meeting day.

Bee Inspector. We will reevaluate at the end of the contract. The Inspector recently made some purchases and planned to turn them in, but we have not allocated any funds for equipment. There was discussion regarding this. Mr. Hintz will follow up.

Mr. Hintz stopped out at the Dog Warden. He had ten dogs. Everything looked good.

**Commissioner Boose report**

Prevention Coalition meeting for mental health and suicide prevention. There was a lot of good discussion. They now have a trainer trained for QPR – Question, Persuade, Refer. They charge per person taking the class. Mr. Boose would like to see some training for County employees. He would also like to see EMA offer QPR in addition to CPR training.

Building Christmas party December 18.

WENS contract is waiting for Mr. Strickler's review.

Jail water usage has increased 30% from last year. Inmate population is up an average of 14 prisoners. This doesn't justify the increase in water usage. Mr. Boose would like to keep this in Old Business until we resolve the issue.

CCAO Director is leaving. Probably related to CORSA issue.

County jail capital funding request due November 27.

HCDC meeting December 12 at Northern Ohio Rural Water.

Mr. Boose met with 4CG consultant on Monday to discuss county needs with regard to workforce development.

CORSA e-mail meeting December 4<sup>th</sup> at 11:00

CCAO sent results of county levies. There were 94 county-wide issues spread over 57 counties. All but seven county-wide tax levies passed. Mr. Boose felt it was not true people are saying no to new taxes, they just want to know how the money is going to be used.

Quarterly meeting regarding EFSP funds is coming up. This is money the county gets for rent, utilities and food assistance. All the Commissioners are on this committee. Mr. Wilde and Mr. Hintz were not aware of this. The meeting is Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9 a.m., so no one can attend. Mr. Boose would like to add this to the list of commissioner appointments. The money comes in from the federal government. Quarterly meetings are held to decide how that money is going to be used.

We received a letter from Attorney Gentzel's office. Mr. Boose asked if anyone knew what the terms of the Health Department lease were. He thought they had fully paid for this year. He would like them to be completely moved out by the date the lease ends - hopefully that is soon. Mr. Strickler will send a letter informing them they need to be totally moved out and have everything restored to its original condition by December 31.

Mr. Huber has asked us to talk to him. They are setting up a meeting, possibly for next Monday. Firelands Forward.

CCAO Winter Conference schedule. Mr. Boose or Ms. Ziemba can attend any sessions Mr. Wilde or Mr. Hintz may be interested in.

Erie County Health Department meeting a couple weeks ago. Mr. Boose asked MHAS why they hadn't attended. MHAS didn't think they had been invited. Mr. Boose asked Ms. Ziemba to forward the letter he received about the meeting to MHAS.

2019 Agricultural Policy and Outlook conference. Mr. Boose thought this had been a good meeting. There was a very good discussion on the future of energy, Farm Policy 2019 and discussion on the recent farm subsidies. Ohio Food Systems Trends and Outlooks. Chain restaurants are offering vegan alternatives, but these are just more processed foods, not actual vegetables. However they are being marketed as "healthier". They are going to hold local meetings summarizing this meeting. One is scheduled to be held at the Elevator in Wakeman.

Produce Perks Midwest Inc. Mr. Boose would like to schedule them in. He is not sure how it works, but he thought this provided financial assistance for people to purchase locally grown produce. Mr. Wilde read “. . . USDA will also match any dollars the County designates to Produce Perks, provided the origin of the funds is not from the federal level”. Mr. Boose thought that meant the match could not come from JFS, unless it comes from the State. Ms. Ziemba will schedule Produce Perks and Ms. Minor in at the same time. Mr. Boose would like to mention it at the next Muck Crop meeting.

MHAS meeting this week. Mr. Boose went to inform them of some of the things he learned at the Erie County meeting two weeks ago. Recover housing is still a huge need. He brought up to MHAS that Erie County indicated there was money out there to do it, there is help out there to do it, yet it seems to have dropped off our radar. There has been a lot of discussion about peer support, but not a lot about recovery.

CCAO Board meeting. DeWine and Yost’s offices had representatives there to tell us why it is important that we all work together on the money from the opiate suit. They thought some of the money should be used for broadband. Their logic was, without broadband people can’t get the education they need. Mr. Boose said this is exactly what he said would happen. Mr. Hintz agreed – they were finding creative ways to divert the money. Mr. Boose informed them it was local governments that filed the lawsuit, so any money belonged to local government. The State offices pointed out how much they had done for the Commissioners in this year’s budget. Mr. Boose didn’t think they had done anything. They had provided money for indigent defense, but everyone wants a piece of that. If they wanted to do something for the Commissioners they should have taken it over. The same thing with foster care. Mr. Boose thought both offices left very disappointed and upset with the questions and comments.

CCAO Nominations Committee has come up with their list of who they are nominating for officers. Mr. Boose is on the nominating list for one of those seats. Currently, he serves at the pleasure of the president. The President has so many appointments they can make each year.

#### **Commissioner Wilde report**

Mr. Wilde mentioned that vaping was discussed at yesterday’s meeting. He would like to see some prevention before it snowballs.

FTMC. Katie Chieda contacted him about getting some of their items out of Peer House. Fisher Titus will meet Mr. Minor over there and do a walk through tomorrow at 9:00 a.m. Also, they have some items in the barn left by Senior Enrichment. Mr. Boose pointed out Fisher Titus needs to talk to Senior Enrichment about this. Fisher Titus gave these items to Senior Enrichment. Mr. Wilde was concerned that it was rotting away in the barn. He thought if it went back to Fisher Titus it would be used in the new MHAS building. Mr. Boose heard it was given to Senior Enrichment, so it is not ours to give away. Mr. Boose plans to be there tomorrow at 9:00.

Boys & Girls Club of America - tour of the building at 1:00 p.m. tomorrow. Mr. Boose was not sure who had purchased this building, but Boys & Girls Club were thinking about using it. He did not want to start any rumors.

Broadband. Mr. Wilde was finally able to speak to someone. He was told someone local will be in contact with us soon. Mr. Boose thought they had just talked to someone who told him to forget this organization and go to the state or federal and find out where the money is and how to get it.

Ability Works. Mr. Wilde contacted Great Lakes about the transportation contract - \$17,000. They met yesterday. They will look at the contract tomorrow and probably have something for us today. Mr. Boose asked if the first payment would be this year. Mr. Wilde thought so, he thought they wanted it to run ASAP. Mr. Boose mentioned that MHAS has agreed to \$1,000 for the first quarter. Christie Lane has agreed to \$1,000 as well.

Township dinner meeting on Thursday. Mr. Boose usually just pays membership and advertising at the December meeting.

Township association held their regular business meeting. They discussed weights and scales. Voted unanimously not to support. Engineer gave a presentation, the Sheriff did not show up.

Mr. Wilde has had a couple township trustees approach him regarding North Central EMS. Mr. Boose said if he wanted to do something personally, but he cautioned him to be careful acting as a Commissioner. Discussion regarding recent billing by North Central EMS, requirements for ambulance service, and the levy proposal.

**REGULAR SESSION**

**THURSDAY**

**NOVEMBER 21, 2019**

At **12:01 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 November 21, 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 12:01 p. m.

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Terry Boose

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Joe Hintz

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Bruce Wilde

**ATTEST**

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Clerk to the Board