

**REGULAR SESSION**

**TUESDAY**

**MARCH 24, 2015**

The Board of Huron County Commissioners met this date in Regular Session. Roll being called found the following members present: Gary W. Bauer, Tom Dunlap, Joe Hintz.

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 305.14 the Record of the Proceedings of the March 19, 2015 meeting(s) were presented to the Board. Gary W. Bauer made the motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the March 19, 2015 meeting(s) and approve as presented. Joe Hintz seconded the motion. Voting was as follows:

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

**At 9:30 a.m.** Public Comment  
No Comment.

15- 099

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

Joe Hintz 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 03/24/15 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.

Gary W. Bauer 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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**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING REQUESTS FOR EXPENDITURE OF OVER \$1,000.00  
SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD MARCH 24, 2015**

Gary W. Bauer 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:

**Huron County DJFS**

Northwoods (sole source) Annual renewal maintenance 5/1/15 – 4/30/16 \$51,942.00 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

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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

*Gary W. Bauer moved to bring resolution 15-084 off the table. 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*

15-084

**IN THE MATTER OF RENEWING THE HURON COUNTY HEALTH PLAN AND APPROVING FUNDING RATES AND EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE 2015-2016 PLAN YEAR COMMENCING MAY 1, 2015 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2016**

Gary W. Bauer moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, Willis of Ohio HRH presented recommendations to the Board of Huron County Commissioners on January 27, 2015, concerning the 2015-2016 renewal of the Huron County Health Care Plan administered by Medical Mutual of Ohio; and

**WHEREAS**, Willis of Ohio HRH recommended an aggregate gross funding increase of 1.8% for Huron County's three plans and calculated funding rate increases for employees at 1.8% for each of the County's health plans: standard, basic, and HSA; and

**WHEREAS**, Willis further recommended no increase to the individual stop loss amount of \$135,000; and

**WHEREAS**, Medical Mutual has increased its administration rates effective March 1, 2015 by 4%, which Willis advises is still competitive in today's market; and

**WHEREAS**, employees who waive coverage under any of Huron County's three health plans, after providing proof of other insurance coverage, will continue to be entitled to an annual stipend of \$1,300 to be paid monthly on a pro-rata basis; and

**WHEREAS**, the stipend cited above shall not be paid to any employee whose spouse is covered under any of Huron County's health plans; now therefore

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

- 1) Increase the gross funding rates by an aggregate 1.8% with the Employer assuming 89.2 % of the gross funding rates.
- 2) Increase the Employee contribution rates to each plan by an aggregate of 1.8% with employees assuming 10.8% of the gross funding rates
- 3) Keep the plan designs the same as in Plan Year 2014-2015.
- 4) Keep the individual stop loss at \$135,000.
- 5) Continue the annual incentive stipend of \$1,300, paid on a pro-rated monthly basis, to employees who choose not to participate in any of the County's health plans, who are not covered under the plan of a spouse or other family member who is covered by one of the County's health plans, and who present certification of coverage under another health insurance provider as required by ORC 305.171 G and H.
- 6) Continue the spousal carve-out for spouses who have access to other employer-provided health

insurance.

now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners approves all of the items numbered 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.

Further discussion was had, Mr. Bauer stated since they have the recommendation from the consultant he feels the decision should be to vote no on this resolution. The board’s decision to vote no on Resolution 15-084.

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

- No – Gary W. Bauer
- No – Tom Dunlap
- No – Joe Hintz

Resolution 15-085 is void.

15-101

**IN THE MATTER OF RENEWING THE HURON COUNTY HEALTH PLAN AND APPROVING FUNDING RATES AND EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE PLAN YEAR COMMENCING MAY 1, 2015 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2015**

Joe Hintz moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, Willis of Ohio HRH presented recommendations to the Board of Huron County Commissioners on January 27, 2015, concerning the 2015 renewal of the Huron County Health Care Plan administered by Medical Mutual of Ohio; and

**WHEREAS**, Willis of Ohio HRH recommended an aggregate gross funding increase of 1.8% for Huron County’s three plans and calculated funding rate increases for employees at 1.8% for each of the County’s health plans: standard, basic, and HSA; and

**WHEREAS**, Willis further recommended no increase to the individual stop loss amount of \$135,000; and

**WHEREAS**, Medical Mutual has increased its administration rates effective March 1, 2015 by 4%, which Willis advises is still competitive in today’s market; and

**WHEREAS**, employees who waive coverage under any of Huron County’s three health plans, after providing proof of other insurance coverage, will continue to be entitled to an annual stipend of \$1,300 to be paid monthly on a pro-rata basis; and

**WHEREAS**, the stipend cited above shall not be paid to any employee whose spouse is covered under any of Huron County’s health plans; now therefore

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

- 7) Increase the gross funding rates by an aggregate 1.8% with the Employer assuming 89.2 % of the gross funding rates.
- 8) Increase the Employee contribution rates to each plan by an aggregate of 1.8% with employees assuming 10.8% of the gross funding rates

- 9) Keep the plan designs the same as in Plan Year 2014-2015.
- 10) Keep the individual stop loss at \$135,000.
- 11) Continue the annual incentive stipend of \$1,300, paid on a pro-rated monthly basis, to employees who choose not to participate in any of the County’s health plans, who are not covered under the plan of a spouse or other family member who is covered by one of the County’s health plans, and who present certification of coverage under another health insurance provider as required by ORC 305.171 G and H.
- 12) Continue the spousal carve-out for spouses who have access to other employer-provided health insurance.
- 13) Accept the 4% increase in Medical Mutual’s administrative rates effective March 1, 2015.  
now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners approves all of the items numbered 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.

Gary W. Bauer 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

15-102

**IN THE MATTER OF RENEWING HURON COUNTY’S LIFE AND DENTAL INSURANCE PLANS FOR 2015**

Gary W. Bauer moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, Willis HRH has secured renewal rates for Huron County’s voluntary dental plan sponsored by Guardian Dental and its life insurance plan sponsored by Prudential Life Insurance Company; and

**WHEREAS**, Guardian has presented an increase of three percent (3%) to its rates for single and family coverage plans, while, due to a two-year rate guarantee, Prudential has offered the same rates for life insurance as in 2014-15; and

**WHEREAS**, Willis HRH has recommended approval of both of the above renewals for May 1, 2015 – December 1, 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, the Huron County Board of Commissioners, having fully considered and discussed these recommendations, has accepted them; now therefore

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

- 1) Renewing our voluntary dental insurance plan with Guardian at the new rates of \$26.39 per month for single coverage and \$75.05 for family coverage;
- 2) Renewing our life and accidental death and dismemberment coverage with Prudential Life Insurance Company at the current rate of \$0.233 per \$1,000; 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.

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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

15-104

**IN THE MATTER OF LETTING BIDS FOR HURON COUNTY ENGINEERS' OFFICE ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT 2015**

Joe Hintz moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Huron County Engineer has requested approval for seeking bids for the Huron County Engineer's Office Roof Replacement Project 2015; 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; now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby approve of letting bids for the Huron County Engineer's Office Roof Replacement Project 2015; and further

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that notice of this will be placed in a newspaper of general circulation on Friday, March 27, 2015, April 3, 2015 and on the County's website, <http://www.hccommissioners.com>, until the bid is opened on Friday, April 24th, 2015 at 09:00 a.m.; 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.

Gary W, Bauer 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

**DOCUMENT 00 0020 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

SEALED Bids for the furnishing of the necessary materials and construction of the:

**HURON COUNTY ENGINEERS' OFFICE  
ROOF PROJECT 2015  
150 JEFFERSON STREET  
NORWALK, OHIO**

Bids will be received by the Huron County Commissioners at their offices located at 180 Milan Avenue, Suite 7, Norwalk, Ohio until 9:00 a.m. on Friday April 24, 2015 and at that time and place will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The work will consist of metal roof replacement.

The estimate of probable cost for this project is \$168,000.00. Bidders shall not be responsible for paying sales taxes on materials incorporated into the structure.

The contract documents, including plans and specifications, are on file at the office of the Huron County Commissioners and Architect/Engineer; Poggemeyer Design Group, Inc., (PDG). A set may be viewed and ordered online or obtained from Becker Impressions, 4646 Angola Road, Toledo, Ohio 43615, telephone 419-385-5303, [www.pdgplanroom.com](http://www.pdgplanroom.com) for the cost of printing to be paid to the printing

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company at the time the drawings are picked up. Shipping and tax charges are the bidder's responsibility and payable directly to Becker Impressions.

A pre-bid conference will be held at the project site, Huron County Engineers Office, 150 Jefferson Street, Norwalk Ohio, 44857-1195. **Attendance to the pre-bid is a mandatory pre-requisite to submitting a bid.**

All Requests for Information (RFI) and questions must be e-mailed to [stuckeyt@poggemeyer.com](mailto:stuckeyt@poggemeyer.com). No telephone calls. A copy of our RFI form is included in the specification manual and can also be found at [www.poggemeyer.com](http://www.poggemeyer.com).

All bids must be signed and submitted on copies or originals of the blanks which are bound in the contract documents. Bids must state the prices in the blanks provided and be enclosed in a sealed envelope marked – Huron County Engineers' Office Roof Project 2015 – and addressed to the Huron County Commissioners, 180 Milan Avenue, Suite 7, Norwalk, Ohio 44857-1195..

When a project is funded in whole or in part by State of Ohio Capital Funds, it is required that Domestic steel use requirements as specified in Section 153.001 of the revised code apply to this project. Copies of Section 153.001 of the revised code can be obtained from any of the offices of the Department of Administrative Services.

The bid guaranty may be of two forms:

1. A Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond using the form in the Contract Documents. (The amount of the bid does NOT have to appear on this form.)
2. A certified check, cashier's check or letter of credit in favor of the Huron County Commissioners, in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid. If the contract is awarded a Contract Bond will be required, which is a one hundred percent (100%) payment and performance bond.

Bidders shall submit with their bid the affidavit required under the Ohio Revised Code, Section 5719.042 that the bidder was not charged with any delinquent personal property taxes in Huron County, Ohio.

The successful bidder will be required to pay not less than the minimum wage rates established by the Department of Commerce, Division of Industrial Compliance, Bureau of Wage and Hour Administration of the State of Ohio in accordance with all provisions of the Prevailing Wage Act of the State of Ohio, ORC Sections 4115.03 and 4115.16 and related requirements.

Bids received after the scheduled bid opening date and time, or not accompanied by a satisfactory bid bond or check, will neither be read nor considered.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any irregularity in any bid and to determine the lowest and best bidder. In no case will an award be made until all necessary investigations are made as to the qualifications of the bidder to whom it is proposed to award the contract.

No bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of sixty (60) days after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids.

By Order of the Huron County Commissioners

Advertise: March 27, 2015 & April 3, 2015.

15-105

**IN THE MATTER OF CERTIFYING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2015**

Gary W. Bauer moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Huron County Commissioners as per Ohio Revised Code 5705.38, that to provide the current expenditures for expenses during the year ending December 31,



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2015 the following sums be and the same are hereby certified, appropriated and set aside for the purposes for which expenditures are to be made for and during said fiscal year 2015 as recorded in the Commissioners Journal (General Funds - \$15,582,013.00; Other Funds \$48,424,224.33; 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 – Gary W. Bauer  
Aye - Tom Dunlap  
Aye – Joe Hintz

<b>Department</b>	<b>2013 Final</b>	<b>2014 Final</b>	<b>2015 Interim</b>	<b>2015 Final</b>
<b>001</b> Commiss.	\$372,000.00	\$ 397,000.00	\$ 397,000.00	480,000.00
<b>002</b> Microfilm	\$44,178.00	\$ 45,641.39	\$ 45,641.39	50,234.74
<b>003</b> Data Proc.	\$136,421.00	\$ 166,641.00	\$ 145,641.00	154,910.95
<b>004</b> Auditor	\$199,961.00	\$ 217,365.00	\$ 153,365.00	213,566.57
<b>005</b> Treasurer	\$147,237.00	\$ 153,219.60	\$ 153,219.60	155,554.08
<b>006</b> Prosecutor	\$550,647.00	\$ 561,915.90	\$ 561,916.00	576,753.95
<b>007</b> Revision	\$1,425.00	\$ 1,425.00	\$ 1,425.00	1,425.00
<b>008</b> Common Pleas	\$327,539.00	\$ 337,049.36	\$ 383,452.00	402,269.42
<b>009</b> C.P. Jury	\$1,232.00	\$ 1,232.00	\$ 1,232.00	1,244.82
<b>010</b> C.P. Adult Pro.	\$8,900.00	\$ 8,900.00	\$ 8,900.00	8,900.00
<b>011</b> C.P. Appeals	\$300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	300
<b>012</b> Human Resources	\$62,968.00	\$ 70,841.00	\$ 70,841.00	72,041.00
<b>013</b> Juvenile	\$326,325.00	\$ 359,843.60	\$ 359,843.60	370,148.07
<b>014</b> Juv. Probation	\$333,418.00	\$ 334,838.56	\$ 334,838.56	346,867.37
<b>015</b> Juv. Detention	\$155,000.00	\$ 155,000.00	\$ 155,000.00	155,000.00
<b>016</b> Probate	\$139,776.00	\$ 154,187.85	\$ 154,187.85	158,592.29
<b>017</b> Clerk of Courts	\$361,862.00	\$ 385,343.80	\$ 385,343.80	403,783.58
<b>018</b> Coroner	\$75,969.00	\$ 75,969.00	\$ 75,969.00	76,593.44
<b>019</b> Muny Court	\$230,771.00	\$ 230,771.00	\$ 230,771.00	230,771.00
<b>020</b> Bd. Of Elections	\$364,325.00	\$ 385,369.40	\$ 385,369.40	392,349.58
<b>021</b> Capital Improv.	\$125,000.00	\$ 125,000.00	\$ 125,000.00	125,000.00
<b>022</b> B & G	\$703,047.00	\$	\$	855,178.00

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		814,220.00	790,000.00	
		\$	\$	
<b>023</b> Sheriff	\$1,564,208.00	1,564,208.00	1,564,208.00	1,672,680.05
		\$	\$	
<b>024</b> Recorder	\$112,555.00	116,583.87	116,583.87	121,136.81
		\$	-	
<b>025</b> Humane Society	\$0.00			0
		\$	\$	
<b>026</b> EMA	\$83,063.00	85,000.00	85,000.00	86,300.00
		\$	\$	
<b>027</b> Public Defender	\$250,170.00	266,235.00	266,235.00	282,737.11
		\$	\$	
<b>028</b> OSU/4-H	\$155,500.00	159,800.00	159,800.00	162,200.00
		\$	\$	
<b>029</b> Health/Welfare	\$12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00
		\$	\$	
<b>030</b> Health/Vital St.	\$106,788.00	107,452.00	105,173.05	105,173.00
<b>031</b> Children Services	\$400,000.00	400,000.00	400,000.00	400,000.00
		\$	\$	
<b>032</b> Mechanic	\$56,813.00	56,813.00	56,813.00	60,000.00
		\$	\$	
<b>033</b> Veterans	\$530,000.00	517,959.00	518,365.23	518,365.23
		\$	\$	
<b>034</b> Soldiers Relief	\$13,500.00	13,500.00	13,500.00	13,500.00
		\$	\$	
<b>035</b> Public Assist.	\$182,803.00	162,558.00	154,802.00	154,802.00
		\$	\$	
<b>036</b> Jail	\$2,711,460.00	2,761,460.00	2,711,460.00	2,732,987.95
		\$	\$	
<b>037</b> Soil & Water	\$153,000.00	158,800.00	153,000.00	160,000.00
		\$	\$	
<b>038</b> Fair Board	\$3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
		\$	\$	
<b>039</b> Insurance/Tax	\$2,307,382.00	2,307,382.00	2,307,382.00	2,259,068.42
		\$	\$	
<b>040</b> Miscellaneous	\$218,104.00	225,000.00	225,000.00	225,000.00
		\$	\$	
<b>041</b> Contingencies	\$516,030.00	109,028.67	120,577.78	301,600.92
		\$	\$	
<b>042</b> Inspection	\$100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00
		\$	\$	
<b>043</b> Ditches	\$850.00	850.00	850.00	850
		\$	-	
<b>044</b> Airport	\$0.00			0
<b>045</b> County Planning	\$0.00			0
<b>051</b> Real Assessment	\$75,845.00	78,095.00	78,000.00	81,051.65
		\$	\$	
<b>052</b> Jail Housing	\$45,000.00	175,000.00	175,000.00	175,000.00
		\$	\$	
<b>099</b> Transfer	\$638,305.00	780,000.00	793,994.87	723,076.00
		\$	\$	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$14,904,677.00</b>	<b>15,142,798.00</b>	<b>15,040,001.00</b>	<b>15,582,013.00</b>
			\$	
<b>Revenue Income</b>			<b>15,040,001.00</b>	15,582,013.00

**PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, high school athletic programs throughout the Huron County schools do much to promote our youth; and

**WHEREAS**, such programs have produced championship teams and individuals in which all residents of the county may take much pride; and

**WHEREAS**, these teams and individual achievements shall not go unheralded in the public eye; and  
**WHEREAS**, the Huron County Commissioners do desire to recognize several area wrestlers for their achievements at the state level of competition:

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**; that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby honors and commends the wrestlers listed below:

Norwalk	Charlie Nash Braden Neuberger	Division II	4 <sup>th</sup> Place 8 <sup>th</sup> Place
Bellevue	Luke Leonard Collin Adkins Grant Moyer	Division II	6 <sup>th</sup> Place 6 <sup>th</sup> Place 4 <sup>nd</sup> Place
St. Paul	Derek Gross Hayden Miller Wes Fritz	Division III	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 7 <sup>th</sup> Place State Qualifier
South Central	Cameron Conaway	Division III	5 <sup>th</sup> Place

for their achievements and wish them the very best of luck in all their future endeavors;

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**

We have hereunto subscribed our names this 24th day of March in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Fifteen.

**HURON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Gary W. Bauer, Tom Dunlap, Joe Hintz

**IN THE MATTER OF TRAVEL**

Gary W. Bauer moved to approve the following travel request(s). 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

**Sue Bommer, Human Resources to Columbus, Ohio on March 20, 2015 for SERB Mediation Meeting.**

**IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR LEAVE**

**Sue Bommer**/Human Resources/Sick/2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. March 9, 2015.

**Darwin Pesnell**/Building & Grounds/Vacation/8:00 a.m. – 4:30 pm. April 3, 2015.

**At 9:45 a.m.** the board recessed.

**At 10:06 a.m.** regular session resumed.

Jill Nolan DJFS Director introduced Heather Horowitz Norwalk Economic Development Director as a member of the WIA board. Ms. Nolan explained that each potential member is brought before the Commissioners. Ms. Nolan explained that Ms. Horowitz is now the new Norwalk Economic Development Director replacing Ellen Heinz. Ms. Horowitz would like to file the opening in the business position. Ms.

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Nolan explained that Ms. Heinz is now in a different roll on the WIA board. Ms. Nolan explained that Ms. Heinz just resumed her position on the board, she was not re-appointed. Ms. Horowitz is looking forward to working with the WIA board.

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**IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTING AN MEMBER TO THE WORKFORCE INVESTMENT POLICY BOARD**

Gary W. Bauer moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Huron County Commissioners appoints members to the Workforce Investment Board; and

**WHEREAS**, Ellen Heinz resigned her position as Norwalk Economic Development Director and will no longer hold the position on the WIA Board for the Norwalk Economic Development; and

**WHEREAS**, Heather Horowitz has been appointed Norwalk Economic Development Director and has been recommended to hold the appointment for the Business representative position to the Workforce Investment Board; now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that Heather Horowitz be appointed as a member to the Workforce Investment Board as stated 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. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

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

Ms. Nolan discussed an upcoming commissioners' meeting for WIA to talk about workforce development and WIA that she will be attending. Ms. Nolan explained that she will be bringing back information from this meeting for the Commissioners to review. Ms. Nolan explained that she had attended a webinar in regards to the Board of Commissioners contacted the Ottawa County Commissioners by mid-April indicating as Huron County will remain in Area 7. Ms. Nolan stated she would like to remain in Area 7, it's the strongest area in the State of Ohio that include a lot of advantages being a strong area like it is. Ms. Nolan stated that if someone leaves the area, then they will have to look into procurements. Ms. Nolan explained that they need the following in writing: Are they thinking about staying in Area 7 by mid-April. By May 1, 2015 they need to know if it is a definite. Mr. Dunlap will send an email to Steve Arndt, Area 7.

Ms. Nolan explained that April is Child Abuse Prevention month, and her unit at the agency wants to do large cutouts of children. She would like to know if they place them in the front yard of the Administration Building. Mr. Dunlap questioned if they were foam, Ms. Nolan stated that they are wood.

**At 10:25 a.m.** the board recessed.

**At 10:42 a.m.** regular session resumed.

Roland Tkach, Auditor presented the financial report. Mr. Tkach stated 2014 started the year with a carryover of \$2,239,049. Sales Tax collection was \$9,256,290, which represents retail spending in Huron County of \$617,086,000. The Sales Tax total was \$581,852 higher than 2013 which was a 6.71% increase, the sales tax was \$1,156,290 over the estimate of \$8,100,000 or 14% over estimate. The total General Fund Revenue was \$14,718,146 which was \$1,604,398 over the estimate of \$13,113,748 or 12.23% over estimate. Sales Tax was 63% of total General Fund Revenue. Mr. Tkach explained that 2014 was the first

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year that all 4 Casino's in Ohio have operated a full year. \$708,446 was the total revenue that was paid into the County General Fund. Going forward there may be a decline in this source of income due to the competition for gambling dollars within the State of Ohio. Mr. Tkach stated 5 Racinos are no in full operation that overseen by the Ohio Lottery Commission. With 9 facilities that are able to attract gamblers, the market in Ohio may be saturated making it difficult for this industry to grow.

Mr. Tkach explained that Local Government funding in 2014 to the County was \$413,660 which is down 3% from 2013 \$426,840. In 2008 Local Government funds and Tangible Personal Property Tax revenue was \$1,246,481 an overall reduction of 67%. Total revenue of \$14,718,146 less General Fund spending of \$14,397,706 as a whole, the county spent less than it took in by \$320,440 with 2015 carryover of \$2,518,028 a 12.46% increase.

**At 10:57 a.m.** the board recessed.

**At 11:07 a.m.** regular session resumed. Duane Woods, Fisher Titus Medical Center, and Sheila Kles, Shumaker law firm came before the board in regards to refinancing of bonds Fisher-Titus Series 2015 A & Norwalk Area Health Systems 2015 B. Mr. Woods explained there is no new debt, just clearing up some old debt with refinancing of bonds. There are no new projects in this issue. Mr. Dunlap questioned what is needed to move forward. Ms. Kles stated there is a resolution that the board needs to pass, and a bunch of documents that need to be signed.

**SIGNINGS**

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Gary W. Bauer 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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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 12:05 p.m.** Daivia Kasper, Huron County Assistant Prosecutor discussed the Ohio Telecom invoices. Ms. Kasper stated that Ohio Telecom has sent a bill for phone and internet service for the Sheriff and EMA, at the time we received the bills, and we have never received bills regarding this before. The understanding was that we were not using these services and perhaps the services were never completed. It has been determined that we do use all the phone systems and phones that they are billing us for and we are using some of the internet. Ms. Ziemba explained that the landfill is using the internet. Ms. Kasper stated unfortunately we do owe a portion of this bill. Ms. Kasper stated just because they sent us an invoice doesn't mean we owe them under contract. Ms. Kasper stated since they did not send us invoices in a timely manner we can certainly say we don't have the funds from 2013 and 2014, we are currently working with 2015 budget. Ms. Kasper stated we could certainly work out some kind of deduction from whatever the total amount is that he claims, but she stated we use the service, we signed a contract and he installed it, we currently owe for something. Mr. Dunlap questioned if there was any information on which of the three entities were using these services. Ms. Ziemba stated per her knowledge it was the landfill using the internet, with some part of the phone system being used with that internet service. Ms. Kasper questioned if the Sheriff and EMA were both using the phone system. Ms. Ziemba stated that was correct, and we currently pay the phone bill. This bill/invoice is all for the internet. Ms. Ziemba stated that she feels like they split the fiber charge so half the fiber charge is internet and half is phone service. Ms. Ziemba explained that they are currently paying the phone portion of it. Mr. Hintz questioned that the only place the internet has been used is at the landfill. Ms. Ziemba stated that is correct and she thought EMA used it for a little bit, but it had issues so EMA went to Time Warner. Mr. Dunlap explained that he knows that the Sheriff's Office has never used the internet, for they have Time Warner also. Mr. Hintz questioned how you break this down. Mr. Bauer stated to do just what Ms. Kasper stated, we break it down and pay for what we have to that was used. Ms. Ziemba stated that she has a \$26,000.00 bill for the fiber connection at the Sheriff's Office. Ms. Kasper questioned if the phones run over the fiber connection? Because if so, and we are using the phones then we owe them the fiber connection. Ms. Ziemba explained that the email that she forwarded to Ms. Kasper stated some of the phones run over the fiber at the request of the Sheriff and the Board of Commissioners. Ms. Kasper questioned if the Sheriff used Ohio Telecom at any time. Mr. Dunlap stated he did not, he has always used Time Warner. Ms. Ziemba stated that the one bill is \$26,000.00, each month in addition is \$1,155.50 per month. Ohio Telecom is stating this is a back bill from November 2013 – December 2014, and we are continuing to get a monthly bill. Mr. Dunlap stated he feels that the service was not fully operational during this time they are charging for this service. Mr. Bauer suggested that Ms. Kasper and Ms. Ziemba work together to come up with a number that is needed to be paid to Ohio Telecom. Ms. Kasper suggested that the minutes be pulled regarding the internet service not working and send to Ms. Kasper. Ms. Kasper stated that the Commissioners will pay the monthly invoices after the November date, but we will try to work a resolution for the past due amounts. Ms. Kasper asked Ms. Ziemba to communicate that to Ohio Telecom, all the bills received after the \$26,000.00 past due amount the Commissioners will pay and the Commissioners would like to talk to them about the past due amount. Mr. Dunlap stated that they need Ohio Telecom to come before the Board to explain this past due amount. Mr. Dunlap would like to have the Sheriff also to attend that meeting to explain why he didn't use this service. Mr. Dunlap suggested not paying the bill until Ohio Telecom comes before the board. The board agreed.

## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Norwalk High School's VEX Robotics Competition team 3264, N.E.R.D. Nation, consists of teams of students who work together to design and build robots that can efficiently compete within the rules of the game. and

**WHEREAS**, Students apply what they've learned about science, technology, engineering and math in order to build machines that are programmed to interact with a human driver; and

**WHEREAS**, this year N.E.R.D. Nation had five teams of 4-6 students each. Three of these teams advanced on to compete at the Ohio State High School Championships to face off with the top 40 teams

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from Ohio;

and

**WHEREAS**, these achievements shall not go unheralded in the public eye; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Huron County Commissioners does desire to recognize the Norwalk High School's VEX Robotics Competition team, N.E.R.D. Nation;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby honors and commends the individuals listed below:

<b>Team A</b>	<b>Haley Ziemba – Captain Chance Salajcik Noah Meyers Devon Nunez Bryce Harvey</b>
<b>Team B</b> <b>Programing Skills State Champion</b> <b>World Championship qualifier</b>	<b>Zach McGuckin-Captain Angel Garcia Justin Klingelsmith Brooke Landis Trenton Roth Darren Raymond *Caleb Meyers (Worlds)</b>
<b>Team F</b>	<b>Caleb Meyers- Captain Alfredo Rangel Jacob Martin Raven Emrick Grant Fisher</b>

**for their achievement and wish them the very best of luck in all their future endeavors.**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF:**

**We have hereunto subscribed our names this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Fifteen.**

**HURON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**At 12:26 p.m.** Gary W. Bauer moved to adjourn. Joe Hintz seconded the motion. The meeting stood adjourned.

**IN THE MATTER OF OPEN SESSION**

The board Huron County Commissioners hereby attest that all actions and deliberations of the Board legally required to be public were conducted in an open session on this date and that the foregoing minutes represent the official action of the Board.

**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 March 24, 2015.

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**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 12:26 p. m.

**Signatures on File**