

REGULAR SESSION

THURSDAY

MARCH 6, 2014

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 4, 2014 meeting(s) were presented to the Board. Gary W. Bauer made the motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the March 4, 2014 meeting(s) and approve as presented. Tom Dunlap seconded the motion. Voting was as follows:

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

14-68

IN THE MATTER OF AWARDING BIDS FOR THE APPLICATION OF PAVEMENT MARKINGS ON VARIOUS ROADS IN HURON COUNTY (HUR-CR PM FY2014; PID 96859; FAN E140(023))

Gary W. Bauer moved to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Resolution 14-032 the County Engineer requested authorization to seek bids for the application of pavement markings on various roads; and

WHEREAS, notices was given in accord with Section 307.87 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, funding for this pavement marking effort will be provided in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration and the Ohio Department of Transportation Project: HUR-CM PM-FY2014, PID 96859 FAN E140(023); and

WHEREAS, bids were received Friday, February 28th, 2014 at 10:30 A.M. as follows:

- Oglesby Construction Inc.: \$147,986.53
- A & A Safety Inc.: \$150,982.45
- Aero-Mark: \$152,197.00
- Dura Mark Inc.: \$173,854.05

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby award the bid for the application of pavement markings as recommended by the County Engineer to Oglesby Construction Inc. of Norwalk, Ohio; and further be it resolved that all further matters relative to this award be coordinated through and with the Huron County Engineer’s Office; 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

14-69

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING REQUESTS FOR EXPENDITURE OF OVER \$1,000.00 SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD MARCH 6, 2014

Tom Dunlap moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, requests for expenditures of over \$1,000.00 have been submitted for approval by the Board

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of Huron County Commissioners as follows:

Huron County Department of Job and Family Services

Northwoods Annual renewal maintenance – sole source \$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 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

14-70

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE STRUCTURE OF THE HURON COUNTY
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

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

WHEREAS, the Huron County Emergency Management Agency is currently structured under ORC Section 5502.271; and

WHEREAS, Substitute House Bill 131 has mandated that political subdivisions must select Emergency Management service by either appointing their own Emergency Management Coordinator or by contracting with the existing County organization, i.e., the Huron County Emergency Management Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Huron County Emergency Management Agency has invited all political subdivisions in Huron County to contract with Huron County for Emergency Management services within the next thirty days, at a cost of \$.25 per person per jurisdiction on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS, all contracts with political subdivisions will be renewable on an annual basis with the Huron County Emergency Management Agency; and

WHEREAS, any funds received from said contracts will be used for the purchase of hazardous materials containment supplies and equipment which will be maintained by the Huron County Emergency Management Agency in a special fund created for this purpose and will be to the benefit of all political subdivisions that have contracted with said agency; and

WHEREAS, any political subdivision that selects to appoint their own Emergency Management Coordinator will be subject to the ramifications of Substitute House Bill 131, which includes the appointed Emergency Management Coordinator to prepare an Emergency Operations Plan for the subdivision that is comparable to the Huron County Emergency Operations Plan, to be responsible for the annual exercise of the subdivision's Emergency Operations Plan, and to be regulated under the same training requirements as a County Emergency Management Coordinator; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the structure of the Huron County Emergency Management Agency is amended to accept contracts for Emergency Management service from political sub-divisions in Huron County; and further

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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.

Aye – Gary W. Bauer

Aye – Tom Dunlap

Aye – Joe Hintz

IN THE MATTER OF TRAVEL

Tom Dunlap moved to approve the following travel request this day. 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

Roland Tkach, Annie Saunders, Paula Webb, Amy Howell, Gary Ebinger, Tom Dunlap and Kathleen Schaffer to Findlay, Ohio on March 13, 2014 for BOR Seminar.

Gary Bauer, Pete Welch to Sandusky, Ohio on March 18, 2014 for Meeting with Erie County.

Gary Bauer to Columbus, Ohio on March 21, 2014 for CCAO Meeting.

Administrator/Clerk's report

Ms. Nolan discussed the invoice for generator diesel fuel. According to Vickie Ziemba this was never paid for through the Commissioners. It has always been a line item through the Sheriff's Office budget. If the Commissioners do pay this invoice more money needs to be moved into the Buildings and Grounds budget. Also a new line item would have to be made just for the generator. Mr. Dunlap stated to send it back to the Sheriff's Office have them pay the bill, this is in their budget.

OTHER BUSINESS

Tom Dunlap discussed he spoke to the Sheriff regarding Voice Recorder that is not compatible with the new cad system. They have added a patch; VASU feels that a patch will work.

There was a request for air cards at the cost of \$3,359.00 a year for seven cards for the Sheriff's Office. They actually need more than that; however they are going to make seven work at this time. Ms. Nolan questioned if this is in the budget. Mr. Dunlap stated no, more money will need to be added. Mr. Dunlap suggested that they go ahead and purchase the seven cards for this year, next year add the expense to their budget.

Without a mechanic the Sheriff's Office is now at 31% of the budget. Mr. Dunlap explained that the Sheriff's Office has more money in his budget for extra personnel. Mr. Dunlap would like to write a letter to the Sheriff to explain what the Commissioners have done regarding the budget.

At 9:30 a.m. Public Comment

No Public Comment

Mr. Dunlap discussed the County Auction. Ms. Nolan stated we need to advertise for an auctioneer. Ms. Nolan questioned why there is anything in the barn, the barn was cleaned out. If the departments have something that is obsolete; do a resolution get rid of them, or get the paperwork filled out put on GovDeals. Mr. Dunlap questioned how do we fix this situation? Ms. Nolan stated that the department heads need to go out there and determine what needs to be thrown away and what needs to go on GovDeals. If we do a County Auction overtime will have to be paid, more expense is going to be added. Mr. Dunlap stated that this issue needs to be addressed with Daivia Kasper, Huron County Assistant Prosecutor.

Suggestion made that the vehicles at the Engineer's Office a list needs done to do a resolution to scrap these vehicles.

Motion and second Huron County Airport Authority Board.

- Board of Revision: Don Frankenfield introduced a draft letter to the board that asks the Board of Commissioners of Huron County, as co-owner of the Business Complex Hangar, to consider appealing the tax valuation to the Board of Tax Revision in early 2014. Carl Essex made a motion to submit the letter to the Board of Commissioners, seconded by John Evans, Motion Passed.

Gary W. Bauer moved to do the paperwork and send to the Board of Revision per the motion and second and unanimous vote of the Huron County Airport Authority Board on December 23, 2013 to appeal the tax valuation of the large hangar at the airport. Tom Dunlap seconded the motion.

Discussion: the board discussed their reservations in regards to filing such request with the Board of Revisions. Joe Hintz will work with the Auditor in completing the paperwork to file with the Board of Revisions.

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

Aye – Gary W. Bauer

Aye – Tom Dunlap

Aye – Joe Hintz

At 10:00 a.m. Amy Hoffman, Palmer Energy came before the board to present the Electric RFP results

Ms. Hoffman explained the contract for renewal in May. Ms. Hoffman explained that there is no good news. The pricing that the County has had for the last three years have been very good; however this cost is no longer available. Palmer Energy Company issued an RFP for its facilities along with 27 other Counties. This RFP comprised 1200+ meters, over 177 million kWh annually and was sent to 13 potential suppliers. Five suppliers responded to the RFP with numerous different prices and /or contract terms.

| Supplier | Term | Larger Accounts | | Small Accounts | |
|-------------|-------|---|---|---|---|
| | | Est. Monthly cost INCREASE Compared to Current Contract Price | Est. Monthly cost Savings Vs. Est. Utility Tariff Pricing | Est. Monthly cost INCREASE Compared to Current Contract Price | Est. Monthly cost Savings vs. Est. utility Tariff Pricing |
| FES | 10-12 | -\$1,890 | \$1,116 | -\$42 | \$41 |
| GDF Suez | 10-12 | -\$2,268 | \$738 | No Quote | No Quote |
| MidAmerican | 10-12 | -\$2,903 | \$103 | -\$111 | -\$27 |
| AEP | 10-12 | -\$3,332 | -\$326 | -\$104 | -\$21 |
| Direct | 10-12 | -\$3,501 | -\$495 | -\$124 | -\$40 |
| | | | | | |
| FES | 22-24 | -\$3,761 | \$237 | -\$95 | \$18 |
| GDF Suez | 22-24 | -\$3,987 | \$12 | No Quote | No Quote |
| MidAmerican | 22-24 | -\$5,395 | -\$1,396 | -\$190 | -\$77 |
| Direct | 22-24 | -5,509 | -\$1,510 | -\$192 | -\$79 |
| AEP | 22-24 | -\$5,912 | -\$1,913 | -\$193 | -\$80 |
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| FES | 34-36 | -\$2,693 | \$627 | -\$65 | \$27 |
| GDF Suez | 34-36 | -\$2,839 | \$481 | No Quote | No Quote |
| MidAmerican | 34-36 | -\$4,189 | -\$870 | -\$157 | -\$64 |
| Direct | 34-36 | -\$4,378 | -\$1,058 | -\$162 | -\$69 |
| AEP | 34-36 | -\$4,653 | \$1,333 | -\$154 | -\$61 |

The first column is what the monthly cost impact is vs. the Counties current power prices. These numbers are negative (your costs are higher). The second is the projected monthly savings compared to Palmer's estimate of the future utility tariff Price to Compare. Ms. Hoffman explained since the increase in 12 month capacity is \$2,400 per month, you can see that the increase compared to current pricings is completely attributable to the generation capacity charge increases. So unless you are able to modify your

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operating conditions during periods of peak demand, then Huron County, like millions of other Ohio consumers, will be unable to avoid the additional costs.

Ms. Hoffman explained if you deduct the capacity cost impact, the current contract was priced at about 4.8 cents per kWh. The 12 month offer, without capacity from FES is about 4.6 cents per kWh. The 36 month FES offer, with capacity, about 4.4 cents per kWh, so in essence you can fix 36 months for a lower average price on the portions of the supply which is more variable than a 12 month term. Since the proposed pricing is only valid for that given day and refreshed pricing will be required, Palmer Energy recommends securing pricing from GDF Suez and FES for a 36 month term and then making a final decision on the day refreshed pricing is received.

Mr. Bauer questioned on why the County should not go with IGS. Ms. Hoffman stated that IGS will not come back with the amount of information that Palmer Energy has. Mr. Bauer wants to know why IGS wouldn't give a lower rate to the County. Ms. Palmer stated it's because they are more competitive. Mr. Dunlap questioned what the increase in dollar amount per month will be due to the increase in capacity? Ms. Hoffman stated that it will be roughly \$2,400 per month.

Ms. Kasper questioned if the board is more likely to move to a supplier that is not First Energy, what is the effect on the County Offices if they do? Ms. Hoffman stated that there is no difference, you will still receive the same bill, and it's just a paperwork issue.

At 10:30 a.m. the board recessed.

At 10:40 a.m. Regular session resumed.

At 10:41 a.m. Doug Colvin, Veterans Board member came before the board in regards to space needs. Mr. Colvin stated that they have hired two more people; it's very cramped with four people. There is no privacy when working the veterans. Mr. Hintz asked how much square footage they have now. Mr. Carlisle stated that they have a large amount of square footage; however most of the square footage is useless.

Mr. Bauer explained that he spoke to Dan Fredrick's regarding the new building on Shady Lane, hoping to go to bid in April and having the building finished by November 2014, moving the Title Office and License Bureau moving into the new building, with the option to the Veteran's Services to move down.

Mr. Carlisle stated they need space before November 2014. Mr. Dunlap questioned if they have a solution. At this time, no they will need to look around for some place to rent. The only room available is the room downstairs. As a temporary fix, yes, however there is no phone line down there.

Mr. Bauer discussed on name change for shady lane park, regarding naming it the Shady Lane Memorial Park with signs at both ends of the park.

At 10:56 a.m. the board recessed.

At 10:58 a.m. regular session resumed.

At 10:59 a.m. Daivia Kasper, discussed the WSOS contract for repaid response program services.

Gary W. Bauer moved to bring resolution 14-64 off the table. 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***

Discussion:

Ms. Kasper stated she spoke to Jill Nolan regarding an extension. The current contract expired in January 2014, for which Ms. Nolan needed to go out to bid to solicit competitive proposals. A continuation was issued for two months; this has exceeded the \$50,000.00 thresholds. Ms. Kasper stated that she has signed the contract and that Job & Family Services will be soliciting proposals on April 1, 2014 for any further assistance. Ms. Kasper stated after the original contract in the amount of \$32,000.00 and the addition of \$117,000.00. This should be plenty of money to help employees displaced in Huron County.

IN THE MATTER OF EXTENSION OF HURON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES PURCHASE OF SERVICE SUBGRANT AGREEMENT WITH WSOS FOR THE RAPID REPOSE PROGRAM SERVICES

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

WHEREAS, the county entered into this subgrant agreement between the Board of County Commissioners of Huron County through the Huron County Department of Job and Family Services (Grantor) and WSOS Community Action Commission, Inc. (Subgrantee) for the purchase of services delivered as Rapid Response Program Services for said county for a term of November 18, 2013 through January 31, 2014 for the amount of \$32,716.00; and

WHEREAS, this Subgrant Agreement needs to be extended for the months of February 2014 and March 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$18,000 per said month; and

WHEREAS, the board of Huron County Commissioners desires to sign the extension agreement of the purchase of services agreement for rapid response program services as attached hereto and incorporated herein; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Huron County that the Board will sign the purchase of services agreement extension for the rapid response program services 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. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

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

Discuss was had regarding the items at the barn. Ms. Kasper said we will need to advertise for an auctioneer if we have an auction, however we can do resolutions to scrap the items or place them on GovDeals. Ms. Kasper did say that the computers from the lawsuit, should have the hard drives removed and the computers can be disposed of. Mr. Bauer stated that computers need to be recycled and Pam Hansberger usually sets this up for the Commissioners. Ms. Nolan asked Ms. Kasper for the record that the Commissioners can take the items and place them in a private auction, without advertising for an auctioneer. Ms. Kasper stated that if an auctioneer exceeds \$50,000.00 in cost, you would have to advertise for an auctioneer. Mr. Bauer stated he doesn't feel that Don Sweeting would be over the threshold.

At 11:19 a.m. Gary W. Bauer moved to enter into **Executive Session 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. 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

At 11:24 am. Tom Dunlap moved to end executive session.

At 11:25 a.m. the board recessed.

At 11:30 a.m. Elected Officials and Department Heads meeting.

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Roland Tkach, Auditor explained the use of the Auditor's new software. The software will be going live in July 2014.

Mr. Dunlap, Commissioner explained the changes to the health care for 2014; we will have the same plan design as last year. The County will be picking up 89.3% and the employees will pick up 10.7%, with the annual stipend of \$1300.00 to those who don't take the counties insurance. Also Increase the HSA to 40% to be matched by the employees and employer. New this year, spousal carve-out, if your spouse is offered insurance, they will not be able to be on the counties insurance.

At 1:00 p.m. regular session resumed.

Daivia Kasper questioned whether there would be general employee raises given to normal non-union workers except for the Commissioners staff. Ms. Kasper questioned if this will be discussed, Mr. Bauer stated it will have to be discussed on Tuesday, March 11, 2014 because they do not have the paper regarding the budget in front of them. Ms. Kasper questioned if the information will be given to the Office Holders before March 14, 2014, Mr. Dunlap stated it depends on what they want. Ms. Kasper stated as much as possible. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Ms. Nolan questioned if Ms. Kasper had reviewed the credit card policy for Christie Lane. Ms. Kasper stated that we should follow the Ohio Revise Code, because the County has not adopted a credit card policy.

Discussion in regards to proclamations, Mr. Bauer will do New London and Willard; Mr. Dunlap will do Monroeville; Mr. Hintz will do St. Paul's, and South Central. All three Commissioners will be present for Norwalk; Mr. Hintz will make the presentation.

At 1:16 p.m. Gary W. Bauer moved to adjourn. Tom Dunlap 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 6, 2014.

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 1:16 p. m.

Signature on File