

**REGULAR SESSION**

**THURSDAY**

**MARCH 1, 2012**

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

12-059

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

Larry J. Silcox moved the adoption of the following resolution:

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

**WHEREAS**, Jeremy D. Jones, Pepperidge Farm Inc./Campbell's Soup Company has been recommended for appointment for the business representative position vacancy to the Workforce Investment Board; now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that Jeremy D. Jones be appointed 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 – Joe Hintz

Aye – Larry J. Silcox

12-060

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING REGULATIONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM**

Joe Hintz moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the County Floodplain Coordinator has been informed that an amendment to Section 6.3 of the existing Huron County Special Purpose Flood Damage Regulations is required in order to bring the regulations into compliance with ODNR standards; and

**WHEREAS**, without this amendment the current regulations would be out of compliance and the residents of Huron County unincorporated areas would not be able to purchase flood insurance coverage for their properties; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 6.3 of the existing Huron County Special Purpose Flood Damage Regulations needs to be amended to read: Violation of the provisions of these regulations, or failure to comply with any of its requirements or lawful orders issued pursuant thereto, shall be deemed to be a strict liability offense. Any person who violates these regulations, or fails to comply with any of its requirements or lawful orders issued pursuant thereto, shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined not more than \$300.00 and, in addition, shall pay all costs and expenses involved in the case as provided by the laws of Huron County. Each day such violation continues shall be considered a separate offense. Nothing herein contained shall prevent Huron County from taking such other lawful action as is necessary to prevent or remedy any violation. Huron County shall prosecute any violation of these regulations in accordance with the penalties stated herein. and

**WHEREAS**, two public hearings were held on Tuesday, February 21, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. and Tuesday, February 28, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. in the board room of the Huron County Commissioners, 180 Milan Avenue, Norwalk, Ohio 44857 to provide citizens an opportunity to review and comment on the county's amendment to Section 6.3 of the existing Huron County Special Purpose Flood Damage Regulations;

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now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners amends the existing Huron County Special Purpose Flood Damage Regulations as stated above and 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.

Larry J. Silcox seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Gary W. Bauer

Aye – Joe Hintz

Aye – Larry J. Silcox

12-061

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING RESOLUTION 12-057**

Larry J. Silcox moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, resolution 12-057 **IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING REQUEST FOR EXPENDITURE OVER \$500.00 SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD JANUARY 24, 2012** needs to be amended as follows: and

**WHEREAS**, **Huron County Transfer Station Ziegler Tire, Norwalk, Ohio foam tires on 950 Cat Loader in the amount of \$18,989.00; and submitted to the board February 28, 2012;** now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners amends Resolution 12-057 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 – Joe Hintz

Aye – Larry J. Silcox

12-062

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING OF A REQUEST FOR PAYMENT ON LETTER OF CREDIT AND STATUS OF FUNDS REPORT (FORM DS5) FOR HURON COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (B-C-10-1BJ-1); (B-C-10-1BJ-2) SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD MARCH 1, 2012**

Joe Hintz moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, a request for payment and status of funds report has been prepared and submitted to the Board of Huron County Commissioners as attached herein by CT Consultants, Inc., for the Board's certification; and

**WHEREAS** the Board has reviewed the request for payment and status of funds report; now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves of the request for payment and status of funds report as attached herein and certifies that the data reported is correct and that

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the amount of the Request for Payment is not in excess of current needs;

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.

Larry J. Silcox seconded the motion.

- Discussion was had in regards to which quote is the best. Mr. Welch explained the quotes and how they compare.

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

Aye – Gary W. Bauer

Aye – Joe Hintz

Aye – Larry J. Silcox

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12-063

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING REQUESTS FOR EXPENDITURE OF OVER \$500.00  
SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD MARCH 1, 2012**

Larry J. Silcox moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, requests for expenditures of over \$500.00 have been submitted for approval by the Board of Huron County Commissioners as follows:

**Huron County Transfer Station**

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| Shearer Equipment | JD318D Skid Steer | \$24,250.00 | 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 \$500.00 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. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Gary W. Bauer

Aye – Joe Hintz

Aye – Larry J. Silcox

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

**At 9:31 a.m.** the board recessed.

**At 9:32 a.m.** regular session resumed.

**IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, High School Athletic Programs throughout the Huron County Schools System 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

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

**WHEREAS**, the Huron County Commissioners do desire to recognize the Norwalk High School basketball team for their 2012 undefeated season; now therefore

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

**PLAYERS:**

Damius Peacock  
Shane McGuckin  
Ben Haraway  
Grant Hull  
Chianti Ghalson  
Cody Gregory  
Trey Hallock  
Darian Cook  
Jeff Thomas  
Jake Fetherolf  
Ryan Hull  
Jacob Cashen  
Kaleb Cashen

**COACHES:**

Steve Gray  
Tom Foster  
Reid Shoop

**CHEERLEADERS:**

Karli Anthony  
Kaitlyn Conley  
Kristen Doerner  
Marie Dolce  
Samantha Hurst  
Macie Ott  
Marissa Rutherford  
Brie Schneider  
Hopeanne Wohlers

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

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF:**

we have hereunto subscribed our names this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Twelve.

**HURON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Gary W. Bauer, Joe Hintz, Larry J. Silcox

Larry J. Silcox moved to approve the following travel requests this day. Joe Hintz seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Gary W. Bauer  
Aye – Joe Hintz  
Aye –Larry J. Silcox

Cheryl Nolan, Commissioners, on May 17, 2012, to Sandusky, Ohio, for six county meeting.

**IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR LEAVE**

**Vickie Ziemba/Commissioners/sick/9:45 a.m. 12:00 noon February 29, 2012.**

**Christina Norton/EMA/personal time/8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. March 2, 2012.**

**Administrator/Clerk’s Report**

Cheryl Nolan asked who would be the appointment and alternate for the OPWC District 9 Integrating Committee. It was decided that Gary W. Bauer would be the member and Larry J. Silcox would serve as the alternate.

Ms. Nolan also referred to the ODOT letter in regards to the Ohio Mobility Summit received February 23, 2012. Ms. Nolan will forward this letter to Lucinda Smith, Transit Director.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Joe Hintz stated that he had spoken with Mayor Duncan yesterday and stated that we have not done anything as far as getting back to them in regards to the leachate. Mr. Bauer stated that Mr. Welch had responded and stated no. Mr. Hintz stated that the problem is that they are looking at the total amount and they are not looking at the break down because of transportation costs and disposal costs and felt that is where the miscommunication is. Mr. Bauer stated that he does not feel that there is any miscommunication. Mr. Silcox stated that if Mr. Hintz would like to set up a meeting between Mr. Welch, Mr. Schloemer and the Mayor about this and explain why the county is not going to agree to their agreement because it is too costly for us then that should be done. The following email was referred to. Further discussion was had on the feasibility.

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Mark,

As I discussed with you, it is not a proposal I can endorse. My hauling charge to Norwalk's Wastewater Treatment Plant is the same for me to haul to Shelby. There is no saving in the hauling charge. Norwalk is offering to process the water for \$0.01/gallon where as we are currently paying \$0.015/gallon. The proposal saves the county in processing a half-cent (\$0.005) per gallon but, "asking" for \$15,000 credit at the landfill. If the landfill generates 800,000 gallons of leachate (assumed average), the county would currently be paying Shelby and the hauler \$40,000. Under the city's proposal, the county would be paying \$28,000 for treating and hauling, and an additional \$15,000 credit, totaling \$43,000. We may be close but, I believe the Commissioners are looking for "terms."

Also, a simple agreement with a wastewater facility is not usually four pages long with a bunch of legal jargon. We currently and never have had a written agreement with any wastewater plant that we hauled water. I believe a lot of this is not necessary. I would be hard pressed to believe this is a standard agreement with any waste water hauler transporting water to Norwalk.

To sell this, I think we can do better. I will discuss it with the Commissioners tomorrow individually and let them determine if they want it on their meeting agenda.

Also, Jim Skoa from GT is emailing me on a personal email address (actually one that's in the process of being closed). I have informed him my work email address so, hopefully I'll see his emails sooner rather than later.

Pete

Mr. Bauer also discussed the Hire Meeting that was had yesterday.

Mr. Silcox discussed the regional conference and stated that he looked at the schedule and it we have the terrorism task force meeting that morning March 9, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. EMA and then Mr. Silcox has the tax review meeting at 1:30 p.m. so he will not make the conference. Mr. Bauer stated that we have reviewed the natural disaster plan but are we really ready to handle a natural disaster and stated that he feels that we need to contact Jason Roblin, EMA Director to review procedures for handling natural disasters. Ms. Nolan to schedule Mr. Roblin on the agenda to review such procedures. Mr. Silcox asked if the memo had gone out in regards to the Elected Officials and Dept. Heads meeting. Mr. Bauer stated that it was held since no one had responded to the draft email. The board agreed to send such email. Mr. Silcox asked for any comments on the draft maintenance procedures. The board agreed that this was a good procedure. Mr. Silcox discussed the option for relocating the HCDC and NEDC to the old jail will talk about this with the two departments.

Discussion was had in regards to the vacation and sick pay for George Ford's retirement pay out. The board agreed to reduce the amount by the 44.4 hours he used in vacation and send letter explaining this and also ask that they keep the position open until the make up this payment. Mr. Bauer stated that he had talked with Tina at Dan Frederick's office and requested a contract that sets up services rendered.

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

**At 10:03 a.m. regular session resumed.**

## **SIGNINGS**

Russ Hetrick presented the final plat for the Shaffer Estates subdivision in Richfield Township was signed by the board.

Cary Brickner, Soil & Water Conservation District came before the board and explained that Soil & Water has hired a new ditch maintenance supervisor hired who will be starting March 12, 2012 and his name is Aaron Robison and reviewed his credentials. Mr. Brickner also stated that they are having a manure workshop on March 27, 2012. Mr. Brickner stated that if the board could get to this around 12:00 noon would be good. Mr. Brickner stated that Mike Gastier, OSU Extension has lined up the speakers for the afternoon sessions. Mr. Bauer asked that this day be kept light so that the board could be out of their regular meeting by 11:00 a.m. Mr. Brickner also discussed March 15, 2012 as a GLRI grant workshop

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day at the Administration Building which starts at 10:00 a.m. and the primary topic will be in regards to cover crops.

Coder Wechter ditch has been cleared by the EPA checking with the contractor to see if he will hold his bid.

Mr. Bauer reviewed all the meeting that they have on March 15, 2012. The cover crop session from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon; Commissioners' meeting from 9:00 a.m. to whatever, LEPC at 1:00 p.m.; Planning Commission at 1:30 p.m. and EMA in the evening.

**At 10-19 a.m.** Larry J. Silcox moved to enter into **Executive Sessions 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; **ORC 121.22 (G) (6)** Specialized details of security arrangements where disclosure of the matters discussed might reveal information that could be used for the purpose of committing, or avoiding prosecution for a violation of the law. Joe Hintz seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Gary W. Bauer  
Aye – Joe Hintz  
Aye –Larry J. Silcox

**At 11:25 a.m.** Joe Hintz moved to end Executive Sessions ORC 121.22 (G) (3); ORC 121.22 (G) (6). Larry J. Silcox seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Gary W. Bauer  
Aye – Joe Hintz  
Aye –Larry J. Silcox

Daivia Kasper discussed the health insurance and stated that the board talked about moving whether should move all employees to the same percentage of the gross and you said maybe we will move towards that but limit the increase to no more than a certain amount. Ms. Kasper stated that she thought that might be a good idea if the gross amount is increasing about 20% and if the different employees continue to pay like the standard plan would be like 9% of the gross, the basic pays like 7% of the gross and HSA pays like 2% just using some round numbers and the average is like 8%. Now if you simply do that with the increase of the overall percentage everyone goes up about 22% now if you are looking to move towards that 10% where everyone pays the same amount and we are looking to get everyone to pay 10% but if you move any of those people further on that and instead of paying 7% you are now going to 9% or something like that you could say that your increase will be for example the 20% of the gross plus we are going to move to towards paying 10% of the gross but not more than \$20.00 per month. Ms. Kasper stated that for some people the \$20.00 will be huge to them but not so huge to others but it will be \$20.00 per month. Mr. Silcox stated that is why he preferred the gradual increase to what we want everyone to pay. Ms. Kasper stated that to be fair all employees should pay the same percentage of the gross. Mr. Silcox stressed again that he knows the budget commission likes to see that money set there for an emergency but with our employees not having a raise for four years and that money sitting there why can't we go to the budget commission and say release some of that emergency money to us to off set some of these health care costs. Mr. Silcox stated he would really like to see that done and knows that takes that fund down a little bit but the other thing that we haven't put into this budget is any projected revenue from the casinos which may off set what we take out early in the year and we would have some emergency funds. So it is time to say to our employees look health care is up but here is something.

**At 11:34 a.m.** Larry J. Silcox moved to adjourn. Joe Hintz seconded the motion. The meeting stood adjourned.

**IN THE MATTER OF OPEN SESSION**

The 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.

