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The Board of Huron County Commissioners met this date in Regular Session. Roll being called found the following members present: Terry Boose, Joe Hintz and Bruce Wilde.

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 305.14 the Record of the Proceedings of the April 6, 2021 and April 13, 2021 meeting(s) were presented to the Board. Bruce Wilde made the motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the April 6, 2021 and April 13, 2021 meeting(s) and approve as presented. Joe Hintz seconded the motion. Voting was as follows:

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

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# IN THE MATTER OF CERTIFYING CLAIMS SCHEDULE FOR PAYMENT BATCHES TO THE HURON COUNTY AUDITOR FOR PAYMENT:

Bruce Wilde 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 Register for Payment Batches #316370 and authorize the Huron County Auditor to make the necessary warrant; 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 stated he will be abstaining from the payments to Norwalk Concrete Industries.

Mr. Boose noted the Sheriff had a whole list of payments to ES Consulting, Inc. and wondered if he was working with Mr. Riedy for these purchases. Also, there were two payments to TekRx from the Recorder's office. Mr. Boose would like to follow up with Mr. Riedy to see if he had been involved.

Mr. Boose spoke to Mr. Welch about the Landfill Equipment Reserve account. That was the account they approved to pay for the repairs to the bailer. Mr. Hintz said there was a hefty price to repair it.

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

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

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At 9:05 a.m. Public comment – Carolyn Bick, Congressman Jordan's office, was in attendance.

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# IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT TO THE HURON COUNTY AIRPORT BOARD

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Harry Brady resigned from the Huron County Airport Board leaving a vacancy; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Michael T. Barefoot has expressed interest in filling this vacancy; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 15-292 sets the terms of the board members to three years; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Huron County Commissioners to appoint Mr. Barefoot to

fulfill the unexpired term beginning May 11, 2021 and ending December 31, 2021; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby appoints Mr. Michael T. Barefoot to the Huron County Airport Board to the term 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 - Terry Boose Aye – Joe Hintz Aye - Bruce Wilde

21-167

## IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM ACCOUNT #099 IN THE GENERAL **FUND TO THE LANDFILL FUND #500**

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a transfer of funds is needed for the Landfill Fund #500;

now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves of the transfer of moneys from 099-00600-001 in the amount of \$220,000.00 to the Landfill Fund #500-500-10600; 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 #500 fund; 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 - Terry Boose Aye – Joe Hintz Aye - Bruce Wilde

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# IN THE MATTER OF ESTABLISHING A NEW FUND TO BE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL **FISCAL RECOVERY FUND #163**

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a new fund needs to be established;

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby authorizes the Huron County Auditor to create a new fund to be known as the Local Fiscal Recovery Fund #163; 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 explained they had received the first guidelines on the Recovery Act yesterday at

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2:00 p.m., with a notation that there would be a webinar at 4:00 p.m. He asked Ms. Bick to inform the Congressman that to tell them at 2:00 there would be a webinar at 4:00 was usually not a good idea. Then, there were so many people on it they couldn't get on. Ms. Bick asked where the information came from. Mr. Boose thought it came from the White House.

Mr. Boose said Representative Stein thought the State would be allocating money to the townships since the federal government hadn't.

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

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

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# IN THE MATTER OF AWARDING BID TO PRECISION PAVING FOR THE CITY OF WILLARD, MYRTLE AVENUE IMPOVEMENT PROJECT

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, Pursuant to Resolution 21-141 the Board of Huron County Commissioners authorized to seek bids for the City of Willard, Myrtle Avenue Improvement Project; and

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

WHEREAS, bids were received Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. from the following:

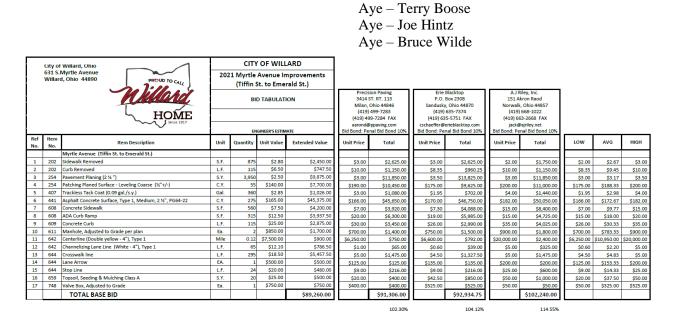
Precision Paving	\$91,306.00
Erie Blacktop Inc.	\$92,934.75
AJ Riley, Inc.	\$102,240.00

now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby award the bid for the City of Willard, Myrtle Avenue Improvement Project to Precision Paving in the amount of \$91,306.00 as recommended by Great Lakes Community Action Partnership; 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:



#### IN THE MATTER OF TRAVEL

Bruce Wilde moved to approve the following travel request this day. Joe Hintz seconded the motion. The

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

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

Jan Tkach, Recorder, to Newark, Ohio for Summer C.E. on June 13 – June 16, 2021.

#### **SIGNINGS** -- None

#### **OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS**

Old Jail. The Board had toured the old jail at the last meeting. Mr. Boose would like to set an asking price for the sale of the building and recommended \$250,000. He would like to ask HCDC to start promoting as they see fit. Mr. Wilde suggested listing it at that price for 90 days.

Meeting Room A door has been partially installed.

Mr. Boose said Mr. Welch had two other roofs looked at. The recommendation was that there were 1 to 3 years left on both the Administration building and 22 E. Main Street/Treasurer roofs. Mr. Boose thought, depending on the how the quotes came in for the Jail/JFS roofs, that the Board should think about setting aside some money to do these roofs.

Mr. Boose had discussed the possibility of expanding the Commissioner's Board room with some of the staff. This would provide more room for the Board and citizens. This was just something to think about, it was not a high priority.

Ms. Minor, JFS, recommended to Mr. Boose that all the carpet in the building be replaced. She also recommended doing the veteran's area as well.

Mr. Strickler attended a meeting regarding the RUMA. They discussed many issues with it. He will add his comments and have Mr. Tansey review it again. Then it will be returned to Apex. Still waiting on a decision from Power Siting Board.

TID meeting. Ms. Knapp scheduled this for May 21 at 8:00 a.m.

Airport CARES Act fund status. Mr. Hintz had received an email with an explanation, but he couldn't find it. However, there was an immediate problem at the airport. The roof on Hangar A was leaking some type of tar onto the floor and two aircraft. The tenant was withholding lease payments because of this. Mr. Sparks thought the roof had a ten-year warranty on it. However, he was not familiar with the contractor. Mr. Boose suggested he speak to Mr. Welch. Ms. Ziemba was not sure how much information Mr. Welch would have, since the Airport Board did all the research. She will pull the resolution to see if the paperwork was attached. Otherwise it would be at the airport.

Ms. Ziemba stated the Board should have received the email stating: *Treasury Opens Portal for Counties to Receive Fiscal Recovery Funds.* Counties need to apply for their funds. The Board just established the fund to receive the moneys. Ms. Ziemba stated she would like to the Board to consider a motion and second authorizing her to apply for the funds.

Bruce Wilde moved to authorized Vickie Ziemba to apply for the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery funds for the County. Joe Hintz seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

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

#### **Commissioner Wilde report:**

Internet meeting. Mr. Wilde thought it went very well. Going to have the presentation again for as many people as can attend.

Tomorrow is a CCAO webinar meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Firefighter's meeting tomorrow night at 7:00 p.m.

HCDC Executive Board meeting Thursday.

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Project Leadership will be Thursday at 2:30. Mr. Wilde will speak.

Mr. Wilde will be on vacation next week.

## **Commissioner Hintz report:**

There is another Board of Revision meeting next Thursday.

# Commissioner Boose report:

Mr. Boose stated the Board will need to have a major discussion on the coronavirus recovery funds. They have normally been doing those type of meetings on Thursday. This will be a lot of work. The County should receive \$11,317,487 total.

At 10:00 a.m. Jason Grecco, BJAAM and Pete Welch, Director of Operations. Mr. Grecco was in to discuss the results of the Tier 2 at Shady Lane and what options were available. Mr. Grecco explained that, at the time of the tank removal, contamination was encountered. This put the property into corrective actions. The Tier 2 was done to determine whether the site needed to be cleaned or not. A lot of this had to do with the future use of the property. Currently the property is commercial.

Mr. Grecco said the first option was to put an environmental restriction/covenant on the property stating it would remain commercial for the life of the parcel. This would be verified every five years. Mr. Grecco pointed out this was a large parcel and the restriction would apply to the entire parcel.

The second option was essentially cleanup. The simplest method to do this would be excavation – the contaminated material would be physically excavated. Mr. Grecco noted that the County already owned a lot of the equipment that would be necessary to do this. Dual phase extraction was also an option for cleanup, but was very expensive technology.

Mr. Grecco said they have had tremendous success with the last option, which was injection. There are new proprietary compounds that inject a slurry of cleanup compounds into the ground and actually hit the area with treatment. It physically breaks down the contamination and uses bioremediation. This has been very effective. He thought injection on a site like this would cost about \$35,000.

Mr. Grecco listed the options in order of cost: 1) covenant; 2) injection; 3) excavation; 4) dual phase extraction. He thought, for Huron County, excavation and injection may be close, depending on the County's cost are for operation. Excavation may end up being cheaper, but that was something the County would have to decide.

Discussion followed on the different options. Mr. Welch pointed out that the County must submit a decision within ninety days. Mr. Boose said they would make a decision by next week and get back to Mr. Grecco.

Mr. Welch asked the Board if they had any questions about the Airport. Mr. Grecco said they have asked the State to close that file based on the data. He was hoping to have their decision in the next three to four weeks.

# At 10:33 a.m. the board recessed. At 10:47 a.m. the board resumed regular session

At 10:48 am. Bruce Wilde moved to enter into Executive Sessions ORC 121.22 (G)(1) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual and ORC 121.22 (G) (2) To consider the purchase of property for public purposes, or for the sale of property at competitive bidding, if premature disclosure of information would give an unfair competitive or bargaining advantage to a person whose personal, private interest is adverse to the general public interest. ). Joe Hintz seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

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

At 11:23 a.m. Bruce Wilde moved to End Executive Session ORC 121.22 (G)(1). Joe Hintz seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Terry Boose

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Aye – Joe Hintz Aye – Bruce Wilde

## Action taken

Will be sending email to Ms. Knapp regarding some of the things the Board would like as far as the process for selling the old jail.

# Mr. Boose report:

Mr. Boose had received an email from Mr. Schwiebert with the CCAO Governance Board. There is a bill that will change things at the Recorder's office. Mr. Boose will contact Ms. Tkach to see what she thinks about it. They are trying to make more information available by technology.

Mr. Boose mentioned there may be changes to the Ohio Revised Code as far as MHAS board members and makeup. CCAO supports this. They are in support because the appointing authorities would be 80% County, 20% MHAS. Seems to be an issue for one or two counties, but they are changing the whole state.

Heard back from first group that toured old jail; they are not ready to do anything at this time.

Mr. Boose had a good discussion with Ms. Cardone last week. It seems like things are really moving forward on a lot of issues; but the issues aren't going away.

Had a meeting with Moody's Investor Service on Friday to review the draft recommendations from committee. Basically, there will be no changes to Huron County's credit rating. We had a good rating going in - Aa rating. There is a higher rating, but that was still a very good rating. They like how the County was spending CARES money and paying off debt. Some of Huron County's strengths include strong reserve and liquidity; low debt burden and no near-term borrowing plans. The County's credit challenges are below average resident income and wealth. This is not something the Board can control. Also, exposure to two underfunded cost sharing pension plans. Overall the rating was good, especially with what they can control.

Mr. Boose had two pages of information he received from Ashley Smith that they can give out to businesses as far as available programs.

Firelands Forward Board meeting tomorrow morning at 8:00 a.m.

Mr. Boose will meet with Ms. Minor tomorrow.

At 11:33 a.m. Bruce Wilde moved to adjourn. Joe Hintz 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 May 11, 2021.

#### IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNING

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:33 a.m.

Signatures on File