

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

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 305.14 the Record of the Proceedings of the August 31, 2021 meeting(s) were presented to the Board. Bruce Wilde made the motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the August 31, 2021 meeting(s) and approve as presented. Harry Brady seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Mr. Boose stated in these minutes there had been discussion about sending a letter to the State Representative, Senator, Senate President and Speaker of the House regarding unemployment. Mr. Boose wants to ask them to totally redo the Department of Unemployment office. There was \$3.4 billion worth of fraud, which he found unacceptable. Businesses are not happy. And the \$3.4 billion was only the fraud from being hacked, it did not include fraudulent claims.

Voting was as follows:

Aye – Terry Boose
Aye – Harry Brady
Aye – Bruce Wilde

At 9:05 a.m. Public comment. Nate Pedder, Apex - update on Emerson Creek project. Mr. Pedder stated they were still waiting on the Power Siting Board to make a decision on the application for re-hearing. In the meantime, they will be filing an amendment for a few small changes to the project. He anticipated it would be a three- to six-month process working through these changes. Construction was still expected to begin late next year. They have a meeting scheduled next week with Mr. Strickler and Mr. Tansey to discuss the RUMA. The Board encouraged Mr. Pedder to communicate with Ms. Ziemba so they could put him on the agenda in the future.

At 9:11 a.m. the board recessed.

At 9:15 a.m. the board resumed regular session

21-303

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 #324082 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.

Harry Brady seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Mr. Boose noticed that Probate Court had purchased hand sanitizer and wipes. He thought they should send out another notice to all Elected Officials/Department Heads that our maintenance staff has sanitization supplies and masks. They do not need to purchase them, they can get them from our staff.

Mr. Boose will abstain from the payments to Norwalk Concrete Industries.

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

Aye – Terry Boose
Aye – Harry Brady
Aye – Bruce Wilde

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Claims Register for Payment Batches				Amount	Variance #
Warrent Date	Claimant	Batch ID	PO Line Line Description		
09/30/2021	Merced Professional Services Ltd	334682	EAP Service-September 2021	\$33.50	
Account 117.117.00475 (Other Expenses) Total:				\$3,458.17	
Department Child Support Enforcement Total:				\$3,458.17	
Fund 117 - Child Support Enforcement Total:				\$3,458.17	
Fund 133 - WIOA					
Department: WIOA					
09/30/2021	Young, Engaged Services	334682	CS&ER WIOA Youth Hours Aug 2021	\$23,000.09	
09/30/2021	Wheat Automotive Service	334682	CS&ER WIOA Youth Hours Aug 2021	\$110.00	
09/30/2021	Heart County Chamber of Commerce	334682	CS&ER WIOA Youth C. Tenney-Journeale	\$23,778.22	
Account 123.023023 (CONFER WIOA Youth) Total:				\$46,888.38	
09/30/2021	905 Power Solutions	334682	WIOA Adult&A Employee-dept 2021	\$1,899.05	
09/30/2021	905 Power Solutions	334682	WIOA Adult&A Employee-dept 2021	\$25,566.87	
Account 123.023028 (Purchased Services) Total:				\$27,465.92	
Department WIOA Total:				\$74,354.30	
Fund 133 - WIOA Total:				\$74,354.30	
Fund 124 - Special Funds-JPC					
Department: Special Funds-JPC					
09/30/2021	Illary Williamson LLC	334682	Grant for Drug Testing	\$120.00	
09/30/2021	Illary Williamson LLC	334682	Mediation-Department	\$1,033.92	
Account 124.004075 (Other Expenses) Total:				\$1,153.92	
Department Special Funds-JPC Total:				\$1,153.92	
Fund 124 - Special Funds-JPC Total:				\$1,153.92	
Fund 125 - Auto Tax					
Department: Auto Tax Administrative					
09/30/2021	Auto Tax Administrative Services Inc	334682	Ty. Reg. Mod. Jan. Motorcycles, Reports	\$130.83	
09/30/2021	Auto Tax Administrative Services Inc	334682	Maintenance Agreement 12/1/2015-12/1/21	\$1,326.93	
Account 125.125.00275 (Contract Repairs) Total:				\$1,457.76	
09/30/2021	Citrus Corporation #818	334682	First Aid Supplies	\$60.74	
09/30/2021	Ohio Elean	334682	Street Lighting	\$125.22	
09/30/2021	Columbia Gas	334682	Street Lighting	\$39.84	
09/30/2021	Ohio Elean	334682	2021-002291	\$79.52	
09/30/2021	Columbia Gas	334682	Zenobia Rd Street Lighting	\$119.22	
09/30/2021	Ohio Elean	334682	Street Lighting	\$119.22	

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Claims Register for Payment Batches			
Warrent Date	Claimant	Batch ID	PO Line # Line Description Amount Warrent #
Fund: 132 - Clerk of Courts-Title			
Department: Clerk of Courts-Title			
09/30/2021 R-I-Block Interactive Systems Inc		324082	2021-001894 3 Months Monitoring \$72.00
Account 132-132-000275 (Contract Repairs) Total:			\$72.00
09/30/2021 Local Services 08/15-10/1/21		324082	2021-001894 Local Services 08/15-10/1/21 \$125.31
Account 132-132-000475 (Other Expenses) Total:			\$125.31
Department: Clerk of Courts-Title Total:			\$197.31
Fund: 132 - Clerk of Courts-Title			
Department: Clerk of Courts Computer			
09/30/2021 Susan Heald		324082	2021-001894 Reimbursement for Color Laser Printer \$524.28
Account 134-134-002616 (Expenditures) Total:			\$524.28
Department: Clerk of Courts Computer Total:			\$524.28
Fund: 134 - Clerk of Court Computer Total:			\$524.28
Fund: 137 - DVS Subsidy			
Department: DVS Subsidy			
09/30/2021 Carrie Kimmel		324082	2021-000417 CASA Travel Expense Reimbursement \$212.80
Account 137-137-000475 (Other Expenses) Total:			\$212.80
Department: DVS Subsidy Total:			\$212.80
Fund: 137 - DVS Subsidy Total:			\$212.80
Fund: 138 - Youth Programs			
Department: Youth Programs			
09/30/2021 Henry County Department of Job & Family Services		324082	2021-001894 FCFC SPY22 Membership \$2,000.00
Account 138-138-000475 (Expenditures) Total:			\$2,000.00
Department: Youth Programs Total:			\$2,000.00
Fund: 138 - Youth Programs Total:			\$2,000.00
Fund: 142 - T-Cap Grant			
Department: T-Cap Grant			
09/30/2021 Residence Inn Columbus Plains		324082	2021-000581 Hotel for Conference \$158.00
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Claims Register for Payment Batches					
Warrant Date	Client	Batch ID	PO #/Line #	Line Description	Amount
09/02/2021	Filer Aids Parts	324082	2021-002801	True Parts	\$751.13
Account 500.501.00280 (Contract Service) Total:					\$751.13
Department Landfill Total:					\$4,648.18
Fund 500 - Landfill Total:					\$4,648.18
Department Solid Waste Management District					
09/02/2021	Huron County Transfer Station	324082	2021-002831	Comingled Recycling-August 2021	\$9,990.40
Account 525.525.00250 (Recycling Programs) Total:					\$9,990.40
09/02/2021	Bark & Kool Co LPA	324082	2021-002801	Erie County Allegation	\$19,158.00
09/02/2021	Waste Management Services PA	324082	2021-002801	Legal Services	\$25,110.00
Account 525.525.00325 (Legal Services) Total:					\$44.00
09/02/2021	Isaac D Liverpool	324082	2021-002861	Cell Phone Reimbursement-August 2021	\$150.00
09/02/2021	Kolla Spinks & Tropics	324082	2021-002861	Waste Shells Liverpool	\$41.00
09/02/2021	Filer-Thru Medical Center	324082	2021-002861	Drug Test Liverpool	\$296.03
Account 525.525.00475 (Other Expenses) Total:					\$32,396.43
Department Solid Waste Management District Total:					\$32,396.43
Fund 525 - Solid Waste Management District Total:					\$32,396.43
Department Commissary Trust					
09/02/2021	Catala One	324082	2021-002221	Coffee for inmate workers	\$32.28
09/02/2021	Alco Chem Inc	324082	2021-002221	Math Train, 627 District, Big Box, Laundry Soap	\$24.72
09/02/2021	August Medical Transportation Pkts	324082	2021-002221		\$24.72
Account 635.635.00260 (Expenditures) Total:					\$1,203.00
Department Commissary Trust Total:					\$1,203.00
Fund 635 - Commissary Trust Total:					\$1,203.00
Fund 640 - Canine Trust Fund					
09/02/2021	Department Canine Trust Fund	324082	2021-002331	EZ Flow 10 K9 patches for K9 collar	\$3,541.00
Account 640.640.00260 (Expenditures) Total:					\$3,541.00
Department Canine Trust Fund Total:					\$3,541.00
Fund 640 - Canine Trust Fund Total:					\$3,541.00
Grand Total:					
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Claims Register for Payment Batches					
Warrant Date	Client	Batch ID	PO #/Line #	Line Description	Amount
09/02/2021	Moss Construction Inc	324082	2021-003001	CHP-4647 Egypt Rd	\$8,800.00
Account 190.190.00010 (Home Repair) Total:					\$9,964.00
Department Comprehensive Housing Total:					\$14,320.00
Fund 190 - Comprehensive Housing Total:					\$14,320.00
Department 9-1-1 & Countywide Communications					
09/02/2021	Frontier	324082	2021-001111	911 Bandwidth-Current Network	\$2,886.00
Account 193.193.00200 (Equipment) Total:					\$2,886.00
09/02/2021	One Nation	324082	2021-001191	Collins Tower Electric	\$199.41
Account 193.193.00175 (Other Expenses) Total:					\$199.41
Department 9-1-1 & Countywide Communications Total:					\$2,876.41
Fund 193 - 9-1-1 & Countywide Communications Total:					\$2,876.41
Fund 197 - EMA Hazmat					
09/02/2021	Department EMA Hazmat	324082	2021-001161	Gas for Testing Meter - Hazmat	\$422.50
Account 197.197.00175 (Supplies) Total:					\$422.50
Department EMA Hazmat Total:					\$422.50
Fund 197 - EMA Hazmat Total:					\$422.50
Fund 500 - Landfill					
09/02/2021	Department Landfill	324082	2021-002891	Uniforms	\$252.64
09/02/2021	China	324082	2021-002891	Uniforms	\$169.28
09/02/2021	China	324082	2021-002891	Office Supplies-Pens, Stamps Etc	\$40.00
09/02/2021	Waste Management Services PA	324082	2021-002891	Unleaded gasoline	\$446.05
09/02/2021	China	324082	2021-002891	Unleaded diesel	\$447.08
09/02/2021	China	324082	2021-002891	Highway diesel	\$547.68
09/02/2021	China	324082	2021-002891	Uniforms	\$252.64
09/02/2021	China	324082	2021-002891	Engine & Hydraulic oil	\$336.40
Account 500.500.00280 (Contract Service) Total:					\$2,876.41
Department Landfill Total:					\$2,876.41
Fund 500 - Landfill Total:					\$2,876.41
Grand Total:					
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21-304

IN THE MATTER OF HIRING FOR THE POSITION OF MAINTENANCE / HVAC WORKER

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Huron County Commissioners to hire a Maintenance/HVAC worker for the Buildings and Grounds Department;

WHEREAS, this position was posted and advertised in accordance with the Huron County Personnel Policies Handbook,

WHEREAS, the Huron County Director of Operations, recommends hiring Matthew Finney for this position,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves hiring Matthew Finney to the classified AFSME, Ohio Council 8, Local 710 full time position of Maintenance/HVAC worker for the Buildings and Grounds Department, effective September 29, 2021, at the rate of \$24.00 per hour, contingent upon successful pre-employment physical, drug test and background checks; 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.

Harry Brady seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Mr. Boose will abstain since he knew Mr. Finney well when he was in high school.

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

Abstain – Terry Boose
Aye – Harry Brady
Aye – Bruce Wilde

21-305

IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING INTO AN EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN THE HURON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (hereinafter referred to as the “Commissioners”) AND HURON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES (hereinafter referred to as “HCDJFS”) FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONTRACTING SERVICES FROM HCDJFS TO UTILIZE THE ROLE OF HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICER 2 TO PERFORM THE DUTIES OF THE HURON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS’ HUMAN RESOURCES AND LOSS PREVENTION ASSISTANT

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners appoint a Human Resource and Loss Prevention Assistant for Huron County and desires to enter into an employment contract with HCDJFS to utilize the role of their Human Resource Officer 2 to perform these duties; and

WHEREAS, the rights, responsibilities, and duties of the role to be occupied by Brenda Milks are detailed in the attached Huron County Human Resources and Loss Prevention Assistant Employment Contract and Job Descriptions; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves the employment contract with Huron County Department of Job and Family Services and employs Brenda Milks to serve as the Human Resources and Loss Prevention Assistant for Huron County public employees, commencing on September 29, 2021 through March 1, 2022, as detailed in the contract and job descriptions attached hereto and expressly incorporated by reference 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.

Harry Brady seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Mr. Boose explained that when the County lost the HR Director a few years ago, he was replaced with the Director of Human Resources from JFS. They dedicate part of their time to JFS and part of their time to the rest of the County. When Ms. Armstrong left, we did not need a full-time person to replace her. It will work out very well that we can use Ms. Milks. The County has gone from two full-time employees to two part-time contracts.

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

Aye – Terry Boose
Aye – Harry Brady
Aye – Bruce Wilde

**On file*

21-306

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE UPDATED HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SECTION OF THE HURON COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Huron County Local Emergency Planning Commission (LEPC) revised the ESF 10: Hazardous Materials section of the Huron County Emergency Operations Plan (HC EOP) and recommends the Board of Huron County Commissioners approve the revisions as attached; and

WHEREAS, this Board has reviewed the revisions and wishes to maintain a Hazardous Materials Plan that is current to the needs of the county; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves the revised ESF 10: Hazardous Materials section of the Huron County Emergency Operations Plan (HC EOP) as recommended by the Huron County LEPC 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.

Harry Brady seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Terry Boose
Aye – Harry Brady
Aye – Bruce Wilde

**On file*

21-307

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTING THE HEALTH COMMISSIONER OF THE HURON COUNTY BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO ESTABLISH A HYBRID DRUG OVERDOSE FATALITY AND SUICIDE FATALITY REVIEW COMMITTEE

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Am. Sub. H.B. No. 110, Sec. 307.6410 states “A board of county commissioners may appoint a health commissioner of the board of health of a city or general health district that is entirely or partially located in the county in which the board of county commissioners is located to establish a hybrid drug overdose fatality and suicide fatality review committee to review drug overdose deaths, opioid-involved deaths, and deaths by suicide occurring in the county. In such case, the board and hybrid committee shall follow the procedures described in sections 307.631 to 307.639 and 307.641 to 307.649 of the Revised Code. Any reference to a drug overdose fatality review committee or suicide fatality review committee shall be construed to include a hybrid committee described in this section.; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners and the Huron County Board of Health recognize the value of creating a hybrid drug overdose fatality and suicide fatality review committee and that it is in the best interest of the citizens of Huron County to do so; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby appoints Tim Hollinger, Health Commissioner of the Huron County Board of Public Health to establish a hybrid drug overdose fatality and suicide fatality review committee as set forth in the Ohio Revised Code Sections listed above. A copy of which is attached hereto and expressly incorporated by reference 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.

Harry Brady seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Mr. Boose explained MHAS has always had a hard time getting statistics. Once they receive them there needs to be some review and an action plan. This was something that was long overdue.

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

Aye – Terry Boose
Aye – Harry Brady
Aye – Bruce Wilde

**On file*

At 9:35 a.m. **Niketas Katsaros, First Energy.** Mr. Katsaros wanted to make sure the County had no outstanding issues with First Energy. They have had low flying helicopters checking the lines and there has been a lot of storm activity in the area. He communicates with EMA regarding the timeframe for the helicopters. He tries to notify them on the specific days they have their people with saws on the helicopter.

21-308

IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTING THE FEE AND EXPENSE SCHEDULE FOR PAYMENT OF APPOINTED COUNSEL RELATIVE TO REPRESENTING INDIGENT PERSONS IN HURON COUNTY, OHIO, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 120 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE.

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners recognizes its responsibility under the laws and constitutions of the State of Ohio and the United States of America to provide legal counsel for indigent individuals charged with serious offenses in the Huron County Court System; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Huron County, Ohio has elected under Section 120.13 of the Ohio Revised Code to primarily fulfill the above stated duty to those persons who are indigent and charged with offenses for whom counsel must otherwise be appointed by providing and extensively funding the Huron County Public Defender Commission and staff; and

WHEREAS, the Board is aware that certain cases are of such a nature that they cannot or should not be handled by the current Public Defender’s office; and

WHEREAS, a system of assigned counsel is necessary and appropriate to fulfill the above stated duty to those persons who are indigent and charged with offenses or for whom counsel must otherwise be appointed and who cannot or should not be represented by the current Public Defender’s office; and

WHEREAS, Section 120.33(A) of the Ohio Revised Code requires that the Board of County Commissioners establish a schedule of fees to be paid to counsel for legal services provided under a system of assigned counsel; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Ohio Public Defender has updated the Standards and Guidelines for Appointed Counsel Reimbursement including the State Maximum Fee Schedule for Appointed Counsel Reimbursement; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORC 120.33(A)(3), prior to establishing the schedule, the Board of County Commissioners shall request the bar association to submit a proposed schedule for cases other than capital case; and

WHEREAS, the Huron County Bar Association has submitted its recommendation and the Board of Commissioners is in agreement with said recommendation and desires to alter the current fee schedule; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, the Huron County Board of Commissioners herby authorizes the following assigned counsel fees effective for cases assigned by the Courts effective October 1, 2021. Counsel shall be entitled to the fee caps herein for any cases counsel is currently appointed and shall be entitled to bill any hours after October 1, 2021 pursuant to the hourly rate contained herein.

HOURLY RATE FOR ALL APPOINTED COUNSEL

Felony 1, 2 and 3s	\$75.00 per hour
Murder/Agg Murder	\$75.00 per hour
All Other Cases	\$75.00 per hour
All Appellate	\$75.00 per hour
Death Penalty	\$125.00 per hour

Criminal Proceedings

Huron County will compensate appointed counsel at the hourly rates listed above with the following exceptions: 1) Death penalty hourly rates are subject to change in accordance with the Ohio Capital Fee Council; 2) For case(s) with multiple charges, Huron county will compensate appointed counsel at the per hour rate of the greater charge at the time of arraignment; and 3) All cases are subject to the following maximum amounts listed below:

Aggravated Murder – with death penalty specifications	\$37,500.00 per attorney \$75,000.00 maximum per case
Aggravated Murder – without death penalty specifications	\$ 8,000.00 1 attorney \$10,000.00 2 attorneys
Murder	\$ 5,000.00
Felony with Possible Life Sentence/Repeat Violent Offender/Major Drug Offender	\$ 5,000.00
F1	\$ 5,000.00
F2	\$ 3,000.00
F3	\$ 3,000.00
F4	\$ 2,000.00
F5	\$ 2,000.00
Felony OVI F2-F5	\$ 3,500.00
Misdemeanors	\$ 2,000.00
Misdemeanor OVI	\$ 2,500.00
Post Conviction Proceedings (including extradition probation revocation, habeas corpus, petitions for post-conviction relief and all other proceedings not elsewhere listed)	\$ 1,500.00 with hearing
Except in death sentence cases to a maximum of	\$37,500.00
Probation Violations	\$ 500.00
Contempt of Court	\$ 500.00

Juvenile Proceedings

Aggravated Murder	\$ 5,000.00
Murder	\$ 5,000.00
F1	\$ 5,000.00
F2	\$ 3,000.00
F3	\$ 3,000.00
F4	\$ 2,000.00
F5	\$ 2,000.00
Felony OVI F2-F5	\$ 3,500.00
Misdemeanors	\$ 2,000.00
Misdemeanor OVI	\$ 2,500.00
Probation Violations	\$ 500.00
Contempt of Court	\$ 500.00

The maximum fee allowable for all other juvenile proceedings is \$2,500.00.

Probate Court

Parental Termination Cases \$75.00 per hour up to a maximum of \$2,500.00.

Appellate Proceedings

The maximum fees allowed for appellate proceedings are:

Aggravated Murder – death sentence imposed	\$12,500.00 2 attorneys
Aggravated Murder – sentence other than death	\$ 5,000.00
Murder or other crime with life sentence	\$ 5,000.00
Other Felonies	\$ 3,000.00
Misdemeanors	\$ 2,500.00
Juvenile	\$ 2,500.00

Fee Bills

Attorneys shall submit their fee bills to the assigned Judge on State Public Defender forms no later than 45 days after the defendant's representation is concluded. If a case is reopened after being closed, it will be counted as a separate case.

Extraordinary Fees

From time to time cases arise that warrant compensation of attorneys at a rate that exceeds the County or State Public Defender maximums as outline in the fee schedule because of extraordinary complex issues involved, multiple offenses, a lengthy trial or other reasons. The Huron County Board of Commissioners choose to provide extraordinary payment of attorneys in their fee schedule. The Court must approve the payment of extraordinary fees and may do so only upon documentation in compliance with State Public Defender Motion, Entry and Certification form.

Recoupment of Appointed Attorney Fees from Indigent Persons

Each Court shall maintain a Recoupment Policy for appointed counsel fees from indigent persons.
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.

Harry Brady seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Mr. Boose thanked the Huron County Bar Association for reviewing and making a recommendation. He also wanted to thank all the Courts for their help. The Board only has a limited amount of money to work with, but they wanted to make sure they were being fair to the attorneys.

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

Aye – Terry Boose
Aye – Harry Brady
Aye – Bruce Wilde

21-309

IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTING A HURON COUNTY INDIGENT DEFENSE FEE/COST RECOUPMENT POLICY

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Office of the Ohio Public Defender has by Rule OAC 120-1-03 adopted regulations for the appointment of counsel for the indigent;
and

WHEREAS, pursuant to this rule, the Board of County Commissioners need to adopt a plan to recoup all or part of the cost of counsel for persons who meet certain income guidelines;
now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby adopt that:

The Courts of this county shall make the appointment of counsel, either private assigned counsel or the County Public Defender, in accordance with the rules established by the Ohio Public Defender Commission and the State Public Defender to enable this county to receive reimbursement from the state for a part of the indigent defense costs.

The Courts of this county assigning indigent defense counsel shall, in accordance with OAC 120-1-03, order that a part of counsel fees be repaid to the County where appointment is made and the defendant falls into the income guidelines set forth in the rule (above 125 percent of the poverty threshold). In appropriate cases all counsel fees may be assessed unless it creates an undue burden.

Payments shall be made pursuant to the Huron County Indigent Defense Fee/Cost Recoupment Policy, a copy of which is hereby attached to this resolution.

This resolution shall be effective for all cases with an appointment date of October 1, 2021 or later.
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.

Harry Brady seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Mr. Boose stated they appreciated the work of all the Courts in helping them put this together.

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

Aye – Terry Boose
Aye – Harry Brady
Aye – Bruce Wilde

**On file*

21-310

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE BOARD OF HURON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF NORWALK CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT TO LEASE LAND FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners sold a portion of the land known as the Shady Lane Farm to the Board of Education of Norwalk City School District; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners and the Board of Education desire that Shady Lane Farm continue to be leased for agricultural purposes by competitive bid; and

WHEREAS, an Agreement to Lease Land for Agricultural Purposes has been approved by the Board of Education to authorize the Board of Commissioners to bid and lease the land owned by the parties known as the Shady Lane Farm; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves the Agreement to Lease Land for Agricultural Purposes, signed by the Board of Education of Norwalk City School District on September 21, 2021, as attached hereto and expressly incorporated by reference 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.

Harry Brady seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Mr. Boose explained this was the first step of a two-step process for us to go out to bid.

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

Aye – Terry Boose
Aye – Harry Brady
Aye – Bruce Wilde

**On file*

21-311

IN THE MATTER OF SOLICITING BIDS FOR THE LEASE OF TILLABLE LAND AT THE AIRPORT FARMS; SHADY LANE FARMS; AND TRANSFER STATION FARM

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners find that there is county property which is not presently needed for any public purpose and find that the public interest is best served by leasing said land for farming purposes; and

WHEREAS, notice of this must be placed in a newspaper of general circulation and on the County's website pursuant to Section 307.09 of the Ohio Revised Code; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners approves of soliciting, accepting, and opening bids for the property known as (1) Transfer Station Farm; (2) Shady Lane Farm; (3) Airport Farm – Combined Farms; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that a legal notice will be placed in a newspaper of general circulation on October 1, 2021 and may be located on the county's website at <http://www.hccommissioners.com>, click on legal notice button. Bids will be opened on Friday, October 15, 2021 at 10:00 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.

Harry Brady seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Mr. Brady didn't know if there was anything they could do at the Airport to make more of the land tillable. Mr. Boose asked if they could designate the income from the lease to the Airport. Ms. Ziemba said they could handle that at the time the contract was awarded.

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

Aye – Terry Boose
Aye – Harry Brady
Aye – Bruce Wilde

**On file*

21-312

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING REQUEST FOR PAYMENT AND STATUS OF FUNDS REQUEST FOR THE HURON COUNTY COMMUNITY HOUSING IMPACT AND PRESERVATION PROGRAM (CHIP) B-C-19-1BJ-1 (DRAW #12) B-C-19-1BJ-2 (DRAW #18), and S-C-19-1BJ-1 (DRAW #6) SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD SEPTEMBER 28, 2021

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, requests for payment and status of funds requests have been prepared and submitted to the Board of Huron County Commissioners as attached herein by Great Lakes Community Action Partnership for the Board's certification; and

WHEREAS the Board has reviewed the requests for payment and status of funds reports; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves of the requests for payment and status of funds request as attached herein and certifies that the data reported is correct and that the amount of the Request for Payments 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.

Harry Brady seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Ms. Ziemba stated BC-1 was a total of \$19,796 for Repair Assistance for a home in Greenwich, short term rent and mortgage utility in New London, Wakeman and Norwalk, and Administration and Fair Housing costs. BC-2 was Rehab Assistance for a home in Norwalk. SC-1 was for Repair Assistance for a home in Fitchville and one in Willard. This was in the amount of \$14,084.

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

Aye – Terry Boose
Aye – Harry Brady
Aye – Bruce Wilde

State of Ohio
Office of Community Development
Request for Payment and Status of Funds request

Submit to: Development Services Agency Office of Community Development P.O. Box 1001 Columbus, Ohio 43216-1001	Name and Address of Grantee: Huron County Commissioners 180 Milan Ave Norwalk, Ohio 44857	CDBG E.S. RFP Balance: CDBG Housing P.J. Balance: Home Program Income Balance:										
Contact Person Information Name: Marcia Walters Phone number: (419) 333-6318 Email: mswalters@dcap.org	Grant Number: B-C-19-18J-1 Draw Number: 12	Date: Voucher: Warrant:										
Project NBR	Project Name	Activity NBR	Activity Name	Housing Site Address (if applicable)	Amount Requested	Approved Activity/Title Budget (\$)	Balance of Activity/Title Budget (\$)					
5	Repair Assistance	1	Home/Building Repair	10 W Main St, Greenwich	2054.00	10193.00	0.00					
6	Short Term Rent/Mortgage Utility	1	Homeless Prevention/Subsistence Payments		8252.00	20000.00	0.00					
2	Administration/Fair Housing	2	General Admin		9490.00	63500.00	9740.00					
						0.00	0.00					
Total Amount of this Draw:					19796.00	93693.00	9740.00					
Certification of Itemization of Expenditures: Two Authorized Signatures are Required												
I Certify that this request for Payment was drawn in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Grant Agreement(s) cited and that the amount drawn is proper for payment to the drawer's depository. I also certify that the data reported above is correct and the amount of the request for Payment is not in excess of current needs.												
Date: 9/29/21	Signature: Toby Bone	Title: Pres										
Date: 9/28/21	Counter Signature: Bruce Wilde	Title: V.P.										
State Use Only:												
Approved:												

Submit to: Development Services Agency Office of Community Development P.O. Box 1001 Columbus, Ohio 43216-1001	Name and Address of Grantee: Huron County Commissioners 180 Milan Ave Norwalk, Ohio 44857	CDBG E.S. RFP Balance: CDBG Housing P.J. Balance: Home Program Income Balance:										
Contact Person Information Name: Marcia Walters Phone number: (419) 333-6318 Email: mswalters@dcap.org	Grant Number: B-C-19-18J-2 Draw Number: 18	Date: Voucher: Warrant:										
Project NBR	Project Name	Activity NBR	Activity Name	Housing Site Address (if applicable)	Amount Requested	Approved Activity/Title Budget (\$)	Balance of Activity/Title Budget (\$)					
1	Rehabilitation Assistance	1	Private Rehabilitation	4 Spring St, Norwalk	4765.00	51692.00	46927.00					
Total Amount of this Draw:					4765.00	51692.00	46927.00					
Certification of Itemization of Expenditures: Two Authorized Signatures are Required												
I Certify that this request for Payment was drawn in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Grant Agreement(s) cited and that the amount drawn is proper for payment to the drawer's depository. I also certify that the data reported above is correct and the amount of the request for Payment is not in excess of current needs.												
Date: 9/28/21	Signature: Toby Bone	Title: President										
Date: 9/28/21	Counter Signature: Bruce Wilde	Title: V.P.										
State Use Only:												
Approved:												

Submit to: Development Services Agency Office of Community Development P.O. Box 1001 Columbus, Ohio 43216-1001	Name and Address of Grantee: Huron County Commissioners 180 Milan Ave Norwalk, Ohio 44857	CDBG E.S. RFP Balance: CDBG Housing P.J. Balance: Home Program Income Balance:										
Contact Person Information Name: Shari Zibert Phone number: (419) 333-4120 Email: szibert@dcap.org	Grant Number: S-C-19-18J-1 Draw Number: 6	Date: Voucher: Warrant:										
Project NBR	Project Name	Activity NBR	Activity Name	Housing Site Address (if applicable)	Amount Requested	Approved Activity/Title Budget (\$)	Balance of Activity/Title Budget (\$)					
5	Repair Assistance	1	Home/Building Repair	1344 Fritchmont River Rd, Fritchelle	684.00	22688.00	0.00					
5	Repair Assistance	1	Home/Building Repair	105 Spring St, Willard	13400.00	15000.00	600.00					
Total Amount of this Draw:					14084.00	97688.00	600.00					
Certification of Itemization of Expenditures: Two Authorized Signatures are Required												
I Certify that this request for Payment was drawn in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Grant Agreement(s) cited and that the amount drawn is proper for payment to the drawer's depository. I also certify that the data reported above is correct and the amount of the request for Payment is not in excess of current needs.												
Date: 9/28/21	Signature: Toby Bone	Title: President										
Date: 9/28/21	Counter Signature: Bruce Wilde	Title: V.P.										
State Use Only:												
Approved:												

21-313

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING A REQUEST FOR PAYMENT AND STATUS OF FUNDS REQUEST FOR THE HURON COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) B-F-20-1BJ-1 (DRAW #4) SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD SEPTEMBER 28, 2021

Bruce Wilde 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 Great Lakes Community Action Partnership for the Board’s certification;

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 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.

Harry Brady seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Ms. Ziemba stated this was for \$5,000 for Administration to Fair Housing.

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

Aye – Terry Boose
Aye – Harry Brady
Aye – Bruce Wilde

State of Ohio
Office of Community Development
Request for Payment and Status of Funds request

Submit to: ODSA ODD P.O. Box 1001 Columbus, Ohio 43260-0001		Name and Address of Grantee: Huron County Commissioners 180 Millan Ave Norwalk, Ohio 44857		COBG E.E. RUF Balance: COBG Housing P.I. Balance: Home Program Income Balance:				
Contact Person Information Name: Angie McConnell Phone number: (419) 332-2008 Email: amcmcconnell@ocd.org		Grant Number: B-F-2018J-1 State Number: 4		State Use Only Date: Voucher#: Warrent#:				
Project NBR	Project Name	Activity NBR	Activity Name	Housing Site Address (if applicable)	Site Number	Amount Requested	Approved Activity/Site Budget (\$)	Balance of Activity/Site Budget (\$)
	Administration 28 Fair Housing	2	General Admin	N/A	N/A	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,500
Total Amount of this Draw:						\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,500
Certification of Itemization of Expenditures: Two Authorized Signatures are Required I certify that this request for Payment was drawn in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Grant Agreement(s) cited and that the amount drawn is proper for payment to the drawer's depository. I also certify that the data reported above is correct and the amount of the request for Payment is not in excess of current needs.								
Date: 9/28/21		Signature: Terry Boose			Title: Pres			
Date: 9/28/21		Counter Signature: Bruce Wilde			Title: V.P.			
State Use Only:		Date:						
Approved:								

PROCLAMATION

Bruce Wilde moved to approve the following proclamation. Harry Brady seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Terry Boose
Aye – Harry Brady
Aye – Bruce Wilde

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the people of Huron County have great admiration and the utmost gratitude for the men and women who have selflessly served our Country in the armed forces; and

WHEREAS, Veterans have paid the high price of freedom by leaving their families and communities and placing themselves in harm's way for the good of all; and

WHEREAS, the contributions and sacrifices of the men and women who served the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining the freedoms and way of life enjoyed by our citizens; and

WHEREAS, many men and women in uniform have given their lives while serving in the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart medal is the nation's oldest and most prestigious military honor, established by George Washington in 1782; and

WHEREAS, many citizens of Huron County have received the Purple Heart medal as a result of being wounded while engaged in combat with an enemy force, construed as a singularly meritorious act of essential service; and

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WHEREAS, Huron County seeks to remember and recognize veterans who are recipients of the Purple Heart medal; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners support the Village of Monroeville becoming a Purple Heart Village and thereby honoring the service and sacrifice of our County's men and women in uniform wounded or killed by the enemy while serving to protect the freedom enjoyed by all Americans.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto subscribed our names this 28th day of September in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-one.

HURON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Terry Boose, Harry Brady, Bruce Wilde

IN THE MATTER OF TRAVEL

Bruce Wilde moved to approve the following travel request this day. Harry Brady seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Terry Boose
Aye – Harry Brady
Aye – Bruce Wilde

- Terry Boose & Harry Brady, Commissioners, to Apple Creek, Ohio for NE Ohio Auditor's Association District Meeting/NE Ohio Commissioners on October 1, 2021.
- Jan Tkach, Recorder, to Columbus, Ohio for ORA Winter Conference on November 14 – 17, 2021.

SIGNINGS

September 28, 2021

Ohio Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation
Ohio Development Services Agency
Industry Sector Partnership Grant

Dear Industry Sector Partnership Reviewers:

The Huron County Commission respectfully submits this letter of commitment and support for the Tourism, Hospitality and Main Streets of Ohio's North Coast Sector Partnership project.

Huron County boasts a diverse economic base in main street small businesses, manufacturing, and agriculture. Each aspect of our economy is supported by our quality of life and sentiment that residents can build their own opportunities, including entrepreneurship. The North Coast ISP around Tourism, Hospitality and Main Streets would provide critical tools and resources to support more pathways to small business ownership, tax generating visitor traffic, and a quality place that will draw population back to Ohio.

As leaders of our community, the Huron County Commission is committed to fostering the ISP's success. The proposed project will support our efforts to recruit, develop, and retain a more diverse, qualified workforce in undersupplied occupations and to shore up the economic future and quality of life in Erie, Huron, and Ottawa Counties. In support of project's goals, the Huron County Commission is committed to collaborating by:

- Spreading awareness of the ISP among Huron County businesses and residents
- Promoting employment and entrepreneurship opportunities provided by the sector
- Connecting County resources that can support the workforce development effort, like our OhioMeansJobs center and its training programs
- Serving as an advisory board member for the lead applicant Erie County Economic Development Corporation, dba Firelands Forward

With over 50% of our county's residents leaving the county for work each day, we believe regional collaboration is necessary in addressing area talent needs. We look forward to working with other ECEDC ISP partners to build, support, and sustain this partnership.

Sincerely,

THE BOARD OF HURON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Terry Boose, Harry Brady, Bruce Wilde

Bruce Wilde moved to approve signing the letter of support. Harry Brady seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Terry Boose

Aye – Harry Brady

Aye – Bruce Wilde

At 10:04 a.m. Pete Welch, Director of Operations and Steve Minor, Working Custodial. Project updates. Mr. Welch passed out the original matrix from 2017 that included what they thought they needed to do at each facility and the cost that time:

Underground storage tanks. They will be doing the remedial action plan (RAP) at Shady Lane in the next sixty days. Remediation of that site will probably be sometime in early 2022. The Airport is done. The abandoned wells are still out there, but once those are done there will be nothing left to do at the Airport.

Snow plowing. Mr. Welch was looking at costs from contractors that are below the bidding threshold. Looking for someone to do the plowing and we will salt ourselves. Believe we will save money in the long run.

Building assessment update:

Mr. Welch explained the matrix from five years ago. They had gone through everything from site improvements to structural, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, fire and security systems at each facility. Everything was graded “good”, “fair” or “poor”, what the life expectancy was, and estimated cost at that time. The parking lot at the Administration Building has been done. Sidewalks have been taken care of. Board of Elections were required to have more lights out back; that has been taken care of. The sign out front was gone, but now there was talk of replacing it. Damschroder looked at the roof on the Administration Building and determined it had a solid five years left.

Mr. Welch said the things that had not been done, and had been graded “poor” at the time, were the electrical and plumbing work. There haven’t been any issues, but Mr. Welch thought it was something they would have to revisit. Also, the elevator had rated as “fair”, but he thought it was probably more of a “poor”. Mr. Boose wanted to make sure that electrical and plumbing was taken into account when they redid the bathrooms. He did not want to have to tear the bathrooms up again later to put in electrical and plumbing. Mr. Welch said he would take a look at it and noted that the bathrooms were at one end of the building and the water comes in at the other end.

22 E. Main Street. The parking lot has been redone and resealed. The roof has been estimated to be good for 5 to 7 years. However, Mr. Welch would like to keep it in mind for the next few years. One of the heat pumps had been replaced and he thought they would have to look at the other one in the near future. Nothing had been ranked “poor” at that facility at the time - all the windows had been replaced in the past. Mr. Boose thought the lights on the first floor should be rated poor and put on the list.

BMV/Title. New building, nothing going wrong.

Courthouse. Parking lot has been done. Mr. Minor has been doing a great job with the landscaping. Ms. Ziemba mentioned the Courthouse ramp. She had received an email from Ms. McConnell asking if they wanted to do a second bid with the hope the project could be completed this year? Or would they rather do it in January to get on the schedule for first thing in the spring. Mr. Boose suggested they ask the architect. Ms. Ziemba will email Mr. Monnin.

Building signage. Mr. Welch said they had listed it as “poor”, but he didn’t have any notes and didn’t know why. There are no signs. Mr. Boose did not think they needed a sign on the Courthouse. Unless the Judges requested something he did not see any reason to change anything.

Courthouse roof has been done, there have been no issues. Damschroder comes back every year and inspects it.

Mr. Welch outlined the issues at the Courthouse that had not been addressed. HVAC had been addressed, but not the electrical or plumbing. Electrical and plumbing have never been upgraded at any of the facilities. The elevator at the Courthouse had been reconditioned. Mr. Boose thought the floor of the Courthouse should be a priority – right when you come in the building. Ms. Ziemba was concerned about the historical aspect of the building. Mr. Strickler said he would have Mr. Stephens check into it.

Discussion regarding the electrical and plumbing at the various buildings. Mr. Brady thought it would be a good idea to come up with a plan. Mr. Welch suggested hiring an architect or consultant to come in and look at it. Mr. Boose said that the water heater had been noted as “fair”, we may want to look at that too.

Job & Family Services. Parking lot has been done. Lighting had been done. Hopefully the roof will be done this spring. The carpet was the next big project. Mr. Boose thought doing the whole building may be too big of a job. The hallways need updated as soon as possible. He suggested just doing the hallways and putting the rest of the carpeting on a longer term plan. Mr. Brady would also like to add yellow stripes in front of the fire hydrant to designate it as a no parking area.

Shady Lane building. Mr. Boose explained to Mr. Brady that any repairs that are needed out there are charged to Senior Services. They were told they could use the building until they find a place to move to, but they have to pay for anything that has to be done to the building. Mr. Brady thought the building could be repaired very quickly.

Office building. Parking lots, roof and building signage had all been ranked “poor”. Mr. Boose thought they needed more professional signage. Mr. Welch had already contacted Foghorn about signs and will follow up. Roof was on the same plan as 22 E. Main Street - five or six years from now. All smoke heads in that building had been replaced last spring.

Treasurer’s building. Parking lot has been done. Roof was same status as Office Building. Mr. Welch said they had looked at the front window. It was single pane and had a slight crack in it. It may be time to replace it. He will get estimates.

Mr. Welch asked the Board to review the documents he had given them and think about what needed to be added. They can meet again to discuss what projects they want to think about doing. Mr. Boose would like to put high priority on those items in poor condition.

OLD BUSINESS

Old jail. Ms. Ziemba reminded them Ms. Knapp would be in to provide an update next Thursday.

Snow policy. Ms. Ziemba will set up a meeting for next week to work on this.

Health Department. Mr. Wilde thought Mr. Strickler was working with Mr. Cherry. Mr. Strickler said he was waiting to receive the information from him.

Ms. Ziemba said they would leave the roofs on the list. They aren’t done yet, but they are scheduled to be completed in the spring.

Working on JFS carpeting. This was just discussed.

CPR classes. Ms. Ziemba did not know what had happened with this. She will check.

Indigent defense. They just completed that today. She will get it out to everybody that needs to have it.

Budget. Budget sheets had been sent out to all departments for interim budget. Ms. Ziemba was in the process of working with them to set up meetings for everybody to come in.

NEW BUSINESS

Received a Permissive Tax request from the City of Norwalk for the Emerald Parkway/Route 250 intersection. Engineer’s office was reviewing and will submit their recommendation. Once they do that the Board can act on it.

The Board had received a letter from Ohio State University saying Huron County Extension was planning a Fall Extension Advisory meeting. The target date was Tuesday, November 9, from 11:30 until 1:00, with lunch to be provided. OSU indicated they would change the date if the Commissioners were not available. The Board thought this would be fine. Ms. Ziemba will let OSU know.

Ms. Ziemba had emailed the Board copies of the Sheriff’s transfer requests. The first request was to transfer \$20,000 into his overtime budget. \$15,000 would come from salaries, \$5,000 from PERS. Mr. Boose noted we prepare a budget at the beginning of the year. PERS was difficult to figure out. Mr. Boose did not want them to get the idea that they can over-budget some of these accounts and then use the money for other things. He was against taking PERS money. Taking Salary for Overtime was okay, those were similar. Mr. Boose would also prefer to wait and see what was actually needed, rather than doing it ahead of time. He wanted to see what overtime was for October, then make a decision. Ms. Ziemba clarified they would like a report of overtime in October, then the transfer can take place in November. Mr. Brady suggested they ask for a breakdown of the overtime – the hours and reasons. Mr. Boose thought this would help with budget for next year. Ms. Ziemba specified this transfer was for 023, the Road side.

Ms. Ziemba moved to the next request from the Sheriff, which was \$13,000. They wanted to move \$5,000 from Employee Salaries/023 to their Supply line and \$8,000 from Equipment into their Supply line. This was also for 023, the Road side and was being used to pay for gas. Mr. Boose questioned the dollar amount on the sheet that was attached. Ms. Ziemba explained they had \$18,000 available. Estimated spending averaged \$8,000/month. That was how they came up with about a \$13,852 shortage. Mr. Boose wasn't sure he agreed with that amount and he did not agree with taking money out of Payroll. He did not think money should be taken out of a line item that was meant for a different purpose and used for a totally different purpose. Mr. Wilde agreed, but thought if the Sheriff needed money for gas he should get it. Mr. Boose did not think it would hurt to wait a month to see exactly what was going on.

Ms. Ziemba had received an email from the Sheriff. They had noticed they were not on the agenda for the transfers. They would need these transfers for their next payroll. They also wanted to know if they would be able to use the snow plow for their parking lot. Ms. Ziemba thought it sounded like they wanted to use the County vehicle to plow their own lot.

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

At 11:32 a.m. the board resumed regular session

Mr. Boose had a discussion with Mr. Welch regarding snow plowing. For the most part, Commissioners' staff has plowed the jail. There had been a couple times when the Sheriff hadn't liked how long it took, so Mr. Zurcher had done it with the County vehicle. Mr. Welch said the quote he received from Marrett indicated they were going to make the EMA/Sheriff's area a high priority. However, the equipment will still be sitting in the garage as a backup if they are not happy with the time it takes Marrett to do it.

Ms. Ziemba wanted to go back to the other part of the request, where the Sheriff had indicated he needed the transfers for the next payroll for Employee Overtime. Mr. Boose had no problem approving the \$15,000 today. Ms. Ziemba explained she would have to prepare a resolution; the Auditor's office cannot do it with a motion and second. Discussion followed on both transfers. Ms. Ziemba confirmed the Sheriff did have enough money for this week's payroll.

Mr. Boose asked about the last transfer for the Sheriff. Ms. Ziemba said the total was \$724.52 they had been reimbursed from the Erie County Health Department for staff overtime hours for the First Responders grant. That money had been paid into the General Fund. The Sheriff was asking that the money go into Employee Overtime/023. Everyone agreed this made sense. Ms. Ziemba suggested waiting and getting all their questions answered from the Sheriff next week on the other two requests. Everyone agreed this would be okay as long as he had the money available until then.

Auditor's letter and budget requests. Ms. Ziemba began down the list of items. Mr. Tkach's letter indicated Capital Improvements, other than expenses, had a balance of \$270,000. He wanted to know how much of that was being used. Mr. Boose said the plan was to have all of that spent – all of it had been committed.

Next was Miscellaneous/Other – 040. Ms. Stebel had indicated there was \$222,000 left. Ms. Ziemba explained that is the account that pays for any property taxes, Clemans & Nelson, the courier contract, autopsies, payments to Norwalk City Schools for their portion of the farm rent, etc. She thought a good bulk of it would be spent. Mr. Boose agreed.

Next was Contingencies, with a balance of \$394,000. This account was for emergencies. If they had to transfer money from the Sheriff for his overtime, this is where it would come from. Mr. Boose thought they should keep enough in the account because contingencies was just that.

Transfer Out. Ms. Ziemba stated all the numbers in this account were what they had budgeted for projects. They had committed \$3.3 million. Some of these costs would have to be reduced. The bonds will be spent completely. Ms. Ziemba noted the Board should receive a bill from Victims' Assistance in October. Mr. Strickler said it would be roughly \$15,000; Ms. Ziemba said they had estimated it at \$20,000.

Benefits Reserve fund. Everyone agreed to moving the entire \$185,000.

Broadband Internet infrastructure. They had set aside \$500,000 for this project. Mr. Boose did not think they would use it all this year. After discussion it was decided to give back \$400,000 and keep \$100,000 to possibly use this year.

Prosecutors new attorney. Money has already been transferred to that account.

Jail improvement. Already moved to Jail Permanent Improvement/315.

NORD Center \$20,000. Payment already made.

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Airport HVAC. Still a pending project. Waiting on the ditch project. Mr. Boose thought they would need the funds this year.

Health Department vendor licenses. \$70,000 will be transferred once we have the MOU.

\$220,000 for landfill legal fees. Already done.

Board of Elections equipment. This has been done.

Airport ditch maintenance project - \$18,890 has already been transferred.

Ms. Ziemba noted that the total amount committed was over the amount they had budgeted. They will have to reduce somewhere. Permanent Improvement was the largest amount. After discussion it was decided to move \$750,000. They would be cutting short Permanent Improvement and Broadband. Mr. Boose reminded them that, when they do budget for 099, they will need to put those things back in.

Retirements. Mr. Boose asked if this could be carried over. Ms. Ziemba said it could. Whatever was not used would be in the estimate for the final. Depending on the retirements, the \$70,000 could go down. It was agreed to leave this. Ms. Ziemba explained this could also be used for other benefit payouts.

Ms. Ziemba was not sure about the 040 account. There was about \$200,000 in there. She did not want to take the chance of cutting it. Everyone agreed. Mr. Wilde did not think they could go wrong keeping it. If they don't use it, it goes back into the final. They don't want to cut themselves short if something were to happen.

Mr. Boose asked Mr. Wilde to start with meetings he had attended last week, rather than ones scheduled for this week and next week.

Mr. Wilde attended the WIOA meeting. They got a little off-topic, but learned some things about Medicaid. Mr. Boose said that Ms. Bick had checked on what had been said and agreed that what JFS said was correct. Mr. Wilde explained that once someone was on Medicaid during the pandemic, they stayed on it. Even if you go to work and make \$6,000/month, you are still on it. Ms. Bick had confirmed this was correct. Representatives from Congressman Gibbs' and Jordan's office had been in attendance. They now know this has to be corrected.

Mr. Wilde attended the United Fund kickoff. Was very short.

Yesterday was Board of Revision. Next meeting is October 18 at 9:00 a.m.

Mr. Wilde received the MOU from Mr. Cherry at the Health Department. Mr. Cherry had asked if they wanted to discount license fees for next year based on this year's numbers. He did have 2022 numbers available. Mr. Wilde thought they should use those, as they were most relevant. Mr. Boose said they will need to know specifically what those fees were to make sure they have enough money set aside. Ms. Ziemba asked how soon they would know - she needs to know before she can answer Mr. Tkach. She asked if they wanted to increase the 70,000 if necessary. Mr. Boose said they could if they needed to.

Mr. Wilde had been working with the City of Norwalk and some of other communities regarding a new inspection group for Huron County, Built Safe. Mayor Light wanted to make a decision. Mr. Boose would like to know more about what the plan was, what the cost would be, and if there were any services the County would have to provide. Ms. Ziemba noted that currently the County doesn't pay Richland County Building anything. Mr. Boose said we also don't have to do anything.

Mr. Wilde had sent them the quote for the wifi for the fairgrounds for their review.

Purple Heart ceremony at 6:00 p.m. at Clark Park in Monroeville.

Leaving at 7:30 a.m. tomorrow for Columbus for ARAP Symposium.

Mr. Wilde has an interview at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday. He will not be able to attend the Records Commission meeting. Mr. Boose asked Mr. Brady if he would be able to attend. Mr. Brady said he could. Ms. Ziemba said the Commissioner's office had submitted an updated Records Retention policy. Ms. Stebel had worked on it, so Ms. Ziemba will see if she can attend.

Last Friday Mr. Brady attended the meeting with Nord Center and LACADA. He found it very informative.

He attended the Recovery Walk on Saturday morning.

Yesterday Mr. Brady attended Prevention Coalition. They have some programs they want to bring into the schools.

Mr. Brady will attend the Monroeville ceremony tonight, he will be in Columbus tomorrow, Thursday he will attend Records Retention meeting and then Friday will be the Auditor's.

Mr. Boose attend WIOA on Wednesday.

Thursday morning at 8:00 a.m. Mr. Boose had a meeting with small businesses - this was by their definition, not the governments. Discussed workforce development. Same issues everyone else has, but a lot more falls back onto the owners. They requested regular meetings around the County.

Friday met with NORD Center and LACADA. They would love to be able to provide services to Huron County. The Board explained to them that would be up to MHAS. Mr. Boose suggested they also talk to Ms. Minor. They will set up a meeting with all parties.

Mr. Boose learned that Huron County was expected to receive \$513,102.45 over 18 years from the opioid settlement – if we receive the 70%. 100% was about \$733,000. He wanted to talk to the Judges, the Sheriff, MHAS and JFS and see if there were any projects they haven't been doing because they don't have money. Maybe this money could be used for that. The One Ohio Foundation has been created and the State has been divided into regions for the distribution of this money. Huron County was part of Region 19. Region 19 was either going to have \$18 million or \$26 million. Mr. Boose did not think that was a lot for the size of the district. The County would need to designate a representative to the One Ohio Foundation to attend the regional meetings. After discussion it was decided that Mr. Wilde would represent Huron County. Ms. Ziemba clarified that the email said they should designate a representative from the Board, as well as the County Prosecutor. The first meeting was scheduled for October 4 at 1:00 p.m. It would be virtual and was being hosted by Medina County. The meeting was to discuss the creation and governance of this board. Once created, the board will designate a state representative for the region.

Mr. Boose attended the Recovery Walk last Saturday.

Yesterday was the regular workforce development meeting. They discussed how businesses could plan long term for the shortage of employees. Mr. Boose again stressed that the unemployment system needed to be redone. Businesses are struggling. Mr. Wilde was concerned these issues would lead to the closing of a lot of "mom and pop" small businesses.

HB66 was receiving testimony. Mr. Boose thought it was an excellent bill. Requires tax departments to do a biannual report on tax expenditures and include information on property tax exemptions.

SB93. CCAO was opposed to this bill. Supports continued discretion for Commissioners to adjust the sales tax rate up to 1.5.

There will be a County Job Fair on October 7. Ms. Ziemba will try to get out there.

Muck Crop breakfast will be held October 7, 2021. No time or place was listed.

Mr. Brady had an Airport Zoom meeting scheduled.

Mr. Boose stated there was a GOWB (Greater Ohio Workforce Board, Inc.) scheduled. This was the new name for Area 7.

Mr. Boose had a meeting scheduled with OSU on Thursday.

At 1:17 p.m. Bruce Wilde moved to adjourned. Harry Brady seconded the motion.

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 September 28, 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 1:17 p.m.

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