TUESDAY

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 March 17, 2022 and March 22, 2022 meeting(s) were presented to the Board. Harry Brady made the motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the March 17, 2022 and March 22, 2022 meeting(s) and approve as presented. Terry Boose seconded the motion. Voting was as follows:

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

22-102

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

Harry Brady 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 334159 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.

Terry Boose seconded the motion.

**\*Discussion:** Had to bring HDC Automation into JFS to diagnose why the HVAC wasn't working properly. Soil & Water full payment. Incorrectly listed as quarterly.

Ave - Terry Boose

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

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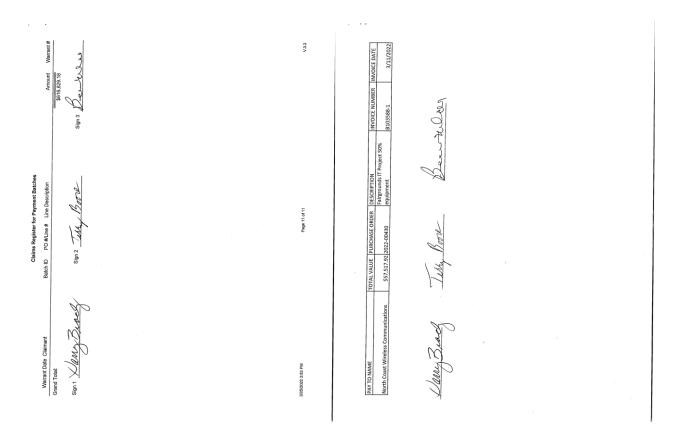
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At 10:05 a.m. Public comment. – <u>Madeline Roche</u> introduced her fiancée <u>Jamin Anderson</u> to the commissioners, who welcomed him. Mr. Anderson is from Australia.

# 22-103

# IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISEMENT AND LETTING BIDS FOR THE NEW STATE ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Harry Brady moved to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Huron County Engineer has requested approval for seeking bids for the New State Road Bridge Replacement Project;

**WHEREAS**, notice of this must be placed in a newspaper of general circulation and on the County's website pursuant to Section 307.87 of the Ohio Revised Code; now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby approve of letting bids for the New State Road Bridge Replacement Project; and further

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that notice of this will be placed in a newspaper of general circulation and posted on the County's website <u>www.hccommissioners.com</u> accessed by clicking on legal notices, until the bid is opened on April 15, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.; and further

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the foregoing resolution was adopted and all actions and deliberation 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.

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

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# **NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

Sealed bids may be submitted on or before the bid opening date of April 15, 2022 until 8:59 a.m. local time, at the Huron County Commissioner's Office, 180 Milan Avenue, Suite 7, Norwalk, Ohio 44857, for the following Project: New State Road Bridge Replacement. Bids shall be opened and publicly read aloud at 9:00 a.m.

Bid Documents, including contract terms & conditions, must be obtained for a \$20.00 (check only) non-refundable fee from the Huron County Engineer at 150 Jefferson Street Norwalk Ohio 44857, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (holidays excluded). Bidder may elect to have these documents mailed to them for an additional fee of \$10.00 for shipping.

Each bidder is required to furnish with its proposal a Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond in accordance with Section 153.54 of the Ohio Revised Code. Bid security furnished in Bond form, shall be issued by a Surety Company or Corporation licensed in the State of Ohio to provide said surety.

Each proposal must contain the full name of the party or parties submitting the proposal and all persons interested therein. Each bidder must submit evidence of its experiences on projects of similar size and complexity. The owner intends and requires that this project be completed no later than Click to enter a date..

All contractors and subcontractors involved with the project will to the extent practicable use Ohio products, materials, services, and labor in the implementation of their project. Additionally, contractor compliance with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 123 is required.

Bidders must comply with the prevailing wage rates on Public Improvements in Huron County, Ohio as determined by the Ohio Department of Commerce, Bureau of Wage and Hour Administration, (614) 644-2239.

All proposals must be submitted bound in their entirety, and on the forms furnished in the Contract documents. Bid documents must be obtained from the Huron County Engineer, no copies will be accepted.

The Board of County Commissioners of Huron County reserves the right to waive any and all irregularities in the bids or bidding process and may reject any and all bids.

This advertisement may also be viewed by logging on to <u>http://www.hccommissioners.com</u> and clicking on the "Legal Notices" link or <u>http://www.huroncountyengineer.org</u> and clicking on the "Bid Information" link.

Advertise: March 31, 2022

22-104

# IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISEMENT AND LETTING BIDS FOR THE HURON COUNTY ENGINEER'S MECHANIC'S SHOP ROOFING PROJECT

Harry Brady moved to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Huron County Engineer has requested approval for seeking bids for the Huron County Engineer's Mechanic's Shop Roofing Project; and

**WHEREAS**, notice of this must be placed in a newspaper of general circulation and on the County's website pursuant to Section 307.87 of the Ohio Revised Code; now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby approve of letting bids for the Huron County Engineer's Mechanic's Shop Roofing Project; and further

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that notice of this will be placed in a newspaper of general circulation and posted on the County's website <u>www.hccommissioners.com</u> accessed by clicking on legal notices, until the bid is opened on Friday, April 15, 2022 at 9:10 a.m.; and further

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the foregoing resolution was adopted and all actions and deliberation of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Huron, Ohio relating thereto were conducted in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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Terry Boose seconded the motion.

**\****Discussion:* Mr. Tansey said that they had advertised to have this done last year, but they couldn't meet the deadline. They threw out all of the bids and are re-bidding for this summer. Mr. Brady asked if prices have gone up drastically this year. Mr. Tansey told him they are only seeing small rises in pricing.

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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# NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids may be submitted on or before the bid opening date of April 15, 2022 until 9:09 a.m. local time, at the Huron County Commissioner's Office, 180 Milan Avenue, Suite 7, Norwalk, Ohio 44857, for the following Project: Huron County Engineer's Mechanic's Shop Roofing Project. Bids shall be opened and publicly read aloud at 9:10 a.m.

Bid Documents, including contract terms & conditions, must be obtained for a \$20.00 (check only) non-refundable fee from the Huron County Engineer at 150 Jefferson Street Norwalk Ohio 44857, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (holidays excluded). Bidder may elect to have these documents mailed to them for an additional fee of \$10.00 for shipping.

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Each proposal must contain the full name of the party or parties submitting the proposal and all persons interested therein. Each bidder must submit evidence of its experiences on projects of similar size and complexity. The owner intends and requires that this project be completed no later than November 11, 2022.

All contractors and subcontractors involved with the project will to the extent practicable use Ohio products, materials, services, and labor in the implementation of their project. Additionally, contractor compliance with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 123 is required.

Bidders must comply with the prevailing wage rates on Public Improvements in Huron County, Ohio as determined by the Ohio Department of Commerce, Bureau of Wage and Hour Administration, (614) 644-2239.

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Advertise: March 31, 2022

22-105

# IN THE MATTER OF AWARDING THE BID FOR THE FAIRFIELD ANGLING & TOWNLINE 12 RESURFACING PROJECT

Harry Brady moved to adopt the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, Pursuant to Resolution 22-061 the County Engineer requested authorization to seek bids for the Fairfield Angling & Townline 12 Resurfacing Project; and

WHEREAS, notice was given in accordance with Section 307.87 of the Ohio Revised Code;

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WHEREAS, bids were received Friday, March 11, 2022 at 9:00 A.M from the following:

Erie Blacktop, Inc.	\$459,870.00	
Sarver Paving Company	\$463,323.00	
Kokosing Construction, Inc.	\$463,676.00	
Melway Paving	\$469,035.00	
A.J. Riley, Inc.	\$499,555.00	now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby award the bid to Erie Blacktop Inc., Sandusky, Ohio, for the Fairfield Angling & Townline 12 Resurfacing Project; and further

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that all further matters relative to this award be coordinated through and with the Huron County Engineer's Office; and further

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the foregoing resolution was adopted and all actions and deliberations of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Huron, Ohio relating thereto were conducted in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Terry Boose seconded the motion.

**<u>\*Discussion</u>**: Mr. Tansey said this was a resurfacing project from Route 162 South to TL Road 12. Mr. Boose commented that this was a well-used road.

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

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

22-106

# IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING INTO CONTRACT WITH SARVER PAVING COMPANY FOR THE FOR THE NEW STATE ROAD RESURFACING PHASE 6 PROJECT FOR THE HURON COUNTY ENGINEER

Harry Brady moved to adopt the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, Pursuant to Resolution 22-058 the bid was awarded to Sarver Paving Company for the amount of \$487,518.50 for the New State Road Resurfacing - Phase 6 Project; for the Huron County Engineer;

and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners desires to enter into contract with Sarver Paving Company, for such goods and services: now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby approve entering into contract with Sarver Paving Company, Ashland, Ohio for the New State Road Resurfacing Phase 6 Project for the Huron County Engineer as attached hereto and expressly incorporate 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.

Terry Boose seconded the motion.

**\****Discussion:* Mr. Tansey said that this was the final phase of the New State Road Resurfacing Project. It starts at the southern county line and goes north to Route 224.

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

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

\*Contract on file

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22-107

# IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING INTO CONTRACT WITH ERIE BLACKTOP, INC. FOR THE FOR THE AKRON ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT FOR THE HURON COUNTY ENGINEER

Harry Brady moved to adopt the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, Pursuant to Resolution 22-060 the bid was awarded to Erie Blacktop, Inc for the amount of \$134,818.25 for the Akron Road Resurfacing Project; for the Huron County Engineer; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners desires to enter into contract with Erie Blacktop, Inc., for such goods and services: now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby approve entering into contract with Erie Blacktop, Inc, Sandusky, Ohio for the Akron Road Resurfacing Project for the Huron County Engineer as attached hereto and expressly incorporate 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.

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

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

\*Contract on file

22-108

# IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING INTO CONTRACT WITH SARVER PAVING COMPANY FOR THE FOR THE 2022 CHIP AND SEAL – PHASE 1 PROJECT FOR THE HURON COUNTY ENGINEER

Harry Brady moved to adopt the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, Pursuant to Resolution 22-059 the bid was awarded to Sarver Paving Company for the amount of \$564,103.00 for the 2022 Chip and Seal – Phase 1 Project; for the Huron County Engineer; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Huron County Commissioners desires to enter into contract with Sarver Paving Company, for such goods and services: now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby approve entering into contract with Sarver Paving Company, Ashland, Ohio for the 2022 Chip and Seal – Phase 1 Project for the Huron County Engineer as attached hereto and expressly incorporate 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.

Terry Boose seconded the motion.

**\****Discussion:* Mr. Boose asked if this was going to be a many phase project and Mr. Tansey told him there are 2 phases; this phase was for county roads only and phase 2 would include township roads. A different type of oil will be used in each phase. Mr. Tansey told them phase 2 would cover 120 miles.

Mr. Brady asked about the different oils. Mr. Tansey told him the oil used in Phase 1 is designed for heavier traffic on the roads and handles truck traffic better. A different oil is used on roads with less traffic and will be used in phase 2.

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

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

\**Contract on file* 

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Mr. Brady told Mr. Tansey that the person he had received a complaint from about water pooling on the road was very happy with the fix. Mr. Tansey had gone out to look at it and the engineering department fixed the issue.

22-109

# IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM THE TRANSFER OUT ACCOUNT #099 TO THE HURON COUNTY BENEFITS RESERVE FUND #157, PROSECUTOR TITLE IV-E FUND #162, PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT FUND #310, JAIL PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT FUND #315, AND LANDFILL SOLID WASTE FUND #525

Harry Brady moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Huron County Commissioners desires to transfer funds into the Benefits Reserve Fund #157 in preparation for the year that includes 27 pays and for unbudgeted large benefit payments; and

**WHEREAS,** the Board of Huron County Commissioners desire to transfer funds into the Prosecutor Title IV-E Fund #162 for an assistant prosecuting attorney per the agreement between the Huron County Department of Job and Family Services, Children Services Agency and the Huron County Prosecutor's Office, approved by Resolution 22-017 on January 6, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners desires to transfer funds into the Permanent Improvement Fund #310 for planned capital projects; and

**WHEREAS,** the Board of Huron County Commissioners desire to transfer funds received from housing outof-county inmates in 2021 and the unspent 2021 revenue received from the ½% jail sales tax into the Jail Permanent Improvement Fund #315 for jail permanent improvement projects; and

**WHEREAS,** the Board of Huron County Commissioners desires to transfer funds into the Landfill Solid Waste Fund #525 for legal services; now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves of the transfer of moneys as follows:

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	099	00600	001	\$2,387,250.00		157	10500	157	\$25,000.00			
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						162	10600	162	\$52,000.00			
							Prosecutor	r Title IV-E				
						310	10500	310	\$1,500,000.00			
							Permanen	t Improv	vement			
						315	10500	315	\$750,250.00			
							Jail Perm	n Improvement Revenue				
						525	10600	525	60,000.00			
							Landfill Solid Waste Fund					

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 account; 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.

Terry Boose seconded the motion.

**\***Discussion: Mr. Boose stated that this was part of the budget process. Funds are moved to transfer out, then to the correct fund.

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

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22-110

# 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 #5) SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD MARCH 29, 2022

Harry Brady 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; 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 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.

Terry Boose seconded the motion.

\*Discussion: This draw is for \$5,000.00 and goes to CDBG administration and fair housing.

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

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

22-111

# IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE RECYCLING/TRANSFER STATION OPERATIONS SUPERVISOR JOB DESCRIPTION

Harry Brady moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS,** the Board of Huron County Commissioners desires to amend the current Recycling/ Transfer Station Operations Supervisor job description; and

**WHEREAS,** this position will be reduced to a Part-time Classified/Exempt position with the pay rate of \$40.00 per hour;

**BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves the amended Recycling/Transfer Station Operations Supervisor job description as attached hereto and expressly incorporated by reference herein; and further

**BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby instructs the Director of Operation to reduce this position's working hours to part-time and complete the proper paperwork increasing David Homan's pay to \$40.00 per hour effective March 28, 2022; 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.

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

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# IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING AN EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN THE HURON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND DAVID HOMAN FOR THE TRANSFER STATION SUPERVISOR POSITION

Harry Brady moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Huron County Board of Commissioners and David Homan desire to enter into an Employment Contract for the Huron County Transfer Station Supervisor position commencing July 1, 2022 through December 31, 2023; now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves the Employment Contract with David Homan, a copy of which is attached hereto and expressly incorporated by reference herein;

**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.

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

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

\*Contract on file

22-113

# IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING A CHANGE ORDER #001 WITH RMH CONCRETE & FOUNDATIONS, INC. FOR THE HURON COUNTY COURTHOUSE ADA RAMP PROJECT

Harry Brady moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, Garmann-Miller & Associates, Inc., (Architect) recommends a change order for the Huron County Administration Courthouse ADA Ramp Project in the amount of seven thousand three hundred nineteen dollars and no cents (\$7,319.00); and

WHEREAS, the Change Order is the result of needing to remove and replace the existing front steps; now therefore

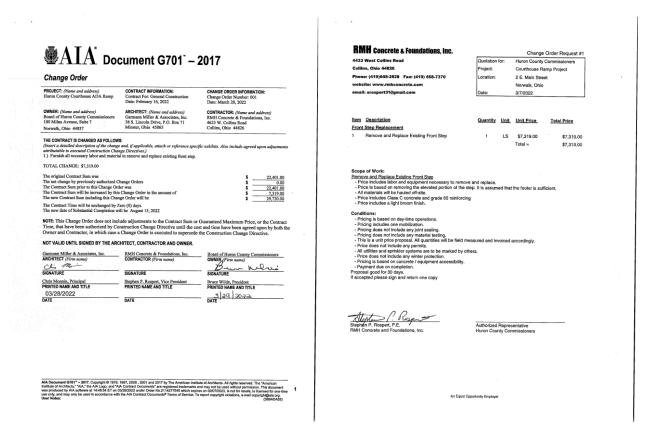
**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves Change Order #001 as submitted by Garmann-Miller & Associates, Inc. for Contractor, RMH Concrete & Foundations, Inc. for the Huron County Courthouse ADA Ramp Project as listed above and as attached hereto and incorporated herein;

**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.

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

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Mr. Boose mentioned the letter for revenue replacement that Mr. Tansey had written. Mr. Boose asked Mr. Tansey if he knew whether the money he requested would come out of the ARPA revenue replacement funds or the restricted ARPA fund. Mr. Tansey was not sure which fund. Mr. Brady suggested that he stay at meeting to talk with the ARPA consultant. Mr. Tansey would like to use the funds to benefit the whole county.

### IN THE MATTER OF TRAVEL

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

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

Alexandra Long-JFS/CSEA-Sandusky-Erie Co. Juvenile Detention-Genetic Testing- March 29, 2022

## **SIGNINGS** – *None*

Ms. Ziemba stated Lara Hozalski is working on putting the Wellness Fair together. Wellness dollars can only be used towards employees on the health insurance. In the past, the commissioners have paid towards this event and had a joint event for employee appreciation, this will allow it to be open for all county employees. Ms. Ziemba asked if the board would be willing to contribute \$2,000.00 to \$2,500.00 towards this event. It will be held in May.

Terry Boose moved to authorize expenses up to \$2,500 towards the Wellness Fair/Employee Appreciation event. Harry Brady seconded the motion. Discussion: Mr. Wilde stated money well spent on employees. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

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

# **OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS**

**Commissioner Brady updates:** 

Went to Columbus for the state of the state address and watched the legislature debate some amendments. Found it very interesting.

Attended a landbank meeting on Thursday. Moving on some projects. Mr. Boose would like the landbank to look at some egress to the county highways. There are some houses in really bad shape. He thinks it would be beneficial to the county to address some of these homes. Mr. Wilde said that they had touched on that with some homes on Route 250 south. Mr. Wilde also told them that the landbank had some money to help with the demolition of them. Mr. Brady had mentioned the north side of Norwalk on Route 250.

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Mr. Brady was at the economic development breakfast and they were talking about the development zone that they wanted to put in from the bypass heading north near FTMC. Trying to beautify the area.

On Wednesday, Mr. Brady sat behind the gentleman who is the head of Jobs Ohio. Mr. Brady asked him if he would be able to come to Huron County to give a presentation and was told that he would. Mr. Brady then said something to Sarah Ross about this on Friday morning. He told her he would like to see this as a collaborative event. Will send him an e-mail.

Mr. Brady received a text from Bill Bader advising him that they were close to hiring someone for the HCDC position. Mr. Boose said that it bothered him when he saw that there was an economic development consultant charging people for service, when our economic development was offered free to them and he wanted someone back in that office so people could take advantage of the service.

Mr. Brady went to the Willard Chamber of Commerce Meet and Greet last Tuesday. Mr. Brady said that they are trying to put sidewalks on Route 224, so people can get down that corridor. He felt their efforts were admirable.

Mr. Brady said that Secretary of State LaRose would be in town this afternoon. He is going to the Veterans Administration to talk to some of the veterans about the importance of voting.

# **Commissioner Wilde Updates:**

Mr. Wilde, Mr. Boose and Ms. Ziemba went to TAC meeting on Wednesday, followed by the planning meeting.

The Chamber had an event on Thursday evening from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., an open house type event which Mr. Wilde attended. The notice was not received until the day before.

Attended investors breakfast. CORSA renewal meeting. Bellevue Vietnam Veteran Ceremony- many people in attendance, but only one person received a pin. WIOA meeting tomorrow at 8:15 a.m. MRDD Basketball game at 6:00 p.m.

# At 11:00 a.m. Amanda Gordon, McDonald Hopkins, LLC -ARPA fund review

Ms. Gordon told them that she had received a spreadsheet from us with project ideas.

Mr. Wilde told her that they had talked with Mr. Tansey earlier about lost revenue. Mr. Boose told her that the engineers had put together a spreadsheet about loss of revenues from the road tax. The figures are from 2019 thru 2021. Mr. Boose said that it sounded like it a legitimate request for ARPA money. Mr. Boose also said that we have 2 pots of ARPA Money. One was for 10M to be used for revenue replacement, which we can use the standard allowance. The second pot is for 1.6M, which will have regulations to the spending of it.

Ms. Gordon asked if the engineers lost revenue was from a levy and was told it was from a gas tax. Mr. Tansey told her it was a straight forward formula for the spreadsheet. Most of the engineer's revenue is from the gas tax. During the pandemic people stopped driving. It is all calculated from the Ohio board of taxation records. The Ohio Department of Taxation shows all of the disbursements made.

Mr. Boose told Ms. Gordon that one of the first questions we would have for her is whether the engineer's revenue replacement request would be considered a legitimate request under ARPA and if so, then which pot of money could it be requested.

Ms. Ziemba asked Ms. Gordon if she would like to discuss the resolution accepting the 10M that Ms. Gordon had sent her. Ms. Gordon had mentioned the she wanted to make sure everyone was on the same page about accepting this money. Ms. Ziemba stated that we could make any corrections to the resolution and pass it today.

Ms. Gordon just wanted to make sure the commissioners were good with the 10M and did not want to do the calculations to see if they could get the whole 11.6M under the lost revenue pot. Ms. Gordon said that taking it under the lost revenue was the most expansive category and gives the most flexibility.

Mr. Boose told her that they had wanted to get this done today because Ms. Ziemba was concerned that even thought the reporting was not due until the end of April, the reporting period was until the end of March.

Ms. Gordon said that it would not hurt to get it done today, but she just wanted to make sure we did not want to re-calculate the funding options. She said that we would be one of the first groups to pass a resolution.

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Mr. Boose said that we have Ms. Ziemba to thank for being on top of things. Ms. Ziemba has been trying to stay informed.

Ms. Ziemba told Ms. Gordon that the biggest concern that she had was that the last reporting we did allowed us to just state that we wanted the money. Ms. Gordon told her that ARPA had not come back to officially say to do a resolution, but McDonald Hopkins are advising everybody to do a resolution. They want to document everything. Ms. Gordon said that a main item that they are stressing is to document everything.

Mr. Wilde asked if they could approve the resolution now. Ms. Gordon agreed to this.

22-114

# IN THE MATTER OF ELECTING TO RECEIVE THE REVENUE LOSS STANDARD ALLOWANCE OF \$10,000,000 FOR FUNDS AWARDED TO THE COUNTY FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 -CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS

Harry Brady moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Huron County has applied for and received funds from the U.S. Department of Treasury under the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds established by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA); and

# WHEREAS, ARPA has the following objectives:

- 1. Support urgent COVID-19 response efforts to continue to decrease spread of the virus and bring the pandemic under control;
- 2. Replace lost revenue for eligible state, local, territorial, and Tribal governments to strengthen support for vital public services and help retain jobs;
- 3. Support immediate economic stabilization for households and businesses; and
- 4. Address systemic public health and economic challenges that have contributed to the unequal impact of the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the County is permitted under ARPA to elect a standard allowance of up to \$10,000,000 from its award of Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to replace lost revenues as described in line 2. In the immediately preceding recital and this Board has determined it to be in the best interests of the County to make such election; now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of County Commissioners, in and for Huron County, Ohio, hereby elects to take the standard allowance of \$10,000,000 from its award of Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds established by ARPA to replace lost revenue for the County to strengthen support for vital public services and help retain jobs.

**BE IT RESOLVED** the Board of County Commissioners hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all the deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal actions, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Revised Code; and

Terry Boose seconded the motion.

**\****Discussion:* Ms. Gordon explained that with the amount of award that the county has assumed for the ARPA funds. There are 4 buckets for which you can use the money. One of the buckets is to make up the lost revenues that would have otherwise been generated by the county. When the initial rule came out, you had to do a massive calculation to determine what the revenue loss was; this was causing a lot of problems for everyone. When the final rule came out, the treasury said in lieu of doing the massive calculation, you can choose to take a standard allowance up to 10M. She said that the county was expecting to get 11.6M, so they could take the standard 10M to put into that bucket of use for government services.

Mr. Wilde confirmed with Ms. Gordon that the 1.6M that was beyond the 10M was going to be strict in the use and would need to fall into one of the four buckets.

Ms. Gordon told him that for each of the projects, they prepare eligibility use memos for each expenditure, you can tag whatever cost of project description, so you have it for each project. Even if the project is for the lost revenue for government services, they would prepare the eligibility use memo. The other buckets, such as negative impact for businesses, there is more analysis that will need to be done. This will be in the memo that they have prepared.

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The water, sewer and broadband are not stuck underneath the governmental revenues bucket, there is a different memo that they would do for those items. We want to talk about some of the projects that may fit into either bucket. Will want to prioritize them so you don't lose the opportunities under the broader governmental revenues.

Mr. Boose would like to use the whole 1.6M for one project if possible.

Ms. Gordon said that she just did not want to see us preclude ourselves from a project because of how we appropriate between the buckets.

Mr. Boose asked Ms. Ziemba if she was comfortable in how to set these funds up for the budget. Ms. Ziemba told him that they all had to go into a special fund. Mr. Boose asked if we had to have 2 special funds and Ms. Gordon said no, only one special fund. Ms. Ziemba said that she noticed in the latest information that she received, it stated not to put in general fund.

Ms. Gordon wanted to check on some information that she had received that stated once the money was moved to the general fund for the intended purpose, the feds quit looking at it.

Ms. Ziemba asked Ms. Gordon if she watched the different webinars that they have. Ms. Gordon said that they had done some of them and try to keep up with the auditor.

Mr. Boose said that we got a lot of good guidance from the CCAO, but wanted to know if Ms. Gordon got the information from CCAO. She told him they got some of the information from CCAO, but we could forward it to her to verify whether she had received it. Mr. Boose said that sometimes CCAO just lists what other counties are doing, but it may not necessarily be right.

Ms. Gordon said that one of the things that the auditor's office has said over and over again is if you have these memos or opinions from legal and you show reasons and procedures; they will take that as something positive as they move forward and examine it. That is why they do memos for each use; that way we will either prove to death that they have done this right, or instill it with so much paperwork that they will say it looks legit.

Mr. Wilde said that we carry some more weight by having a consultant. Ms. Gordon agreed with this statement and said that a lot of time the auditor's office will look for a legal opinion.

Mr. Brady said that he was impressed with the commitment that Kevin Butler put forward about documenting everything. He said they would attach an opinion to everything so that when you had an audit there was documentation to show a legal opinion of why you did everything.

Ms. Ziemba told them that while Mr. Strickler could not make it to the meeting, he asked that the uniform guidance policy for the procurement be attained before we spent any of the money. Ms. Gordon wanted to see what procurement policy the county may already have in place and to make sure she could incorporate some of our standard practices in the policy. She will send us the format, then we can update it with our standard policies.

Ms. Gordon said that they have vetted the uniform guidance policy pretty heavily because when you get into the CFR, they have many things that you need to make sure you have, such as contracts. They have it together.

Ms. Ziemba told Ms. Gordon that the next slated meeting with her was April 13, 2022 and it is scheduled to talk about procurement.

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

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

Mr. Boose told everyone that over the past year many entities have told us they would like some of the ARPA money and we have made a list of them. Will review some of the items on the list now.

- 1. Build a new Senior Enrichment Center
  - Ms. Gordon wanted to know more about this. Mr. Boose told her that it was a building for the seniors. They got the majority of their funding from the state or a levy and they were housed in a county building with no rent to be paid, but the building is very old. They have their own board. They have been looking for somewhere to go for several years and have had several failed levy attempts to construct a new building. They are also the home of Huron County Transportation, which may be leaving them, so they would not need to house it. We offered to use ARPA funds (if allowed) to put up a building for them to use at little or no rent. We would maintain the major aspects of the building, such as roof. They would have to furnish and maintain monthly expenses.

- Mr. Brady said that during the pandemic people were afraid to come out and they did not have a touchless environment to go to at the current location. We had asked about constructing a Senior center during one of the ARPA webinars and were told that this would be allowable because of the low income aspect and health issues.
- Mr. Wilde stated that this is one-time money and it does not need to go to the voters for money. The seniors are thrilled.
- Ms. Ziemba stated that an important fact is that they were not a county entity. Mr. Boose stated that we have no authority over their management.
- Ms. Gordon asked if the county provided any services for the elderly under the counties umbrella. She was told no, we do not subsidize any type of senior services.
- Ms. Gordon asked if we had any type of estimate for the cost. Mr. Brady told her that he had gotten estimates, but unsure as to the size or any details. Were waiting for a consultant to discuss. But would guess at 2M to 3M.
- Ms. Gordon asked if we had any stats or data because if we try to proceed under the negative economic impact and the household's bucket, will need to have data. If we are going to presume an impacted class that we are helping, will need to have some data in terms of income. Mr. Brady said that the senior center would have that information.
- Ms. Gordon said that when you are dealing with the other type of buckets, they have presumed impacted classes and it gets you a number of different ways that you could be "presumed impacted". This would help you to establish an eligible use. Then, there is "presumed disproportionately impacted", which is like super plus. This is all data driven. An example would be if you were in a qualified census tract, you are home free on about anything you wanted to do because it is presumed disproportional impacted, your starting point is low income to begin with and you weren't helped by the pandemic. We may not need to have that, but it is a starting point.
- Mr. Boose asked about the census tracts. He said that some of the tracts in the county could fit under the impact, but others will not, so how would it work as a whole county.
- Ms. Gordon told him that first they would look at the site where they are building the center to see if it would fall into a qualified tract. If it did they could use that data.
- Mr. Wilde stated that there was already a center in Willard, so would not need to put one there, but that area may fall into a lower census tract.
- Ms. Gordon was told the center would be built in Norwalk, partly because we already had property there. She asked if this was in a qualified census tract and was told that it probably was not.
- Mr. Boose said that we were looking at several locations, but the main contender is across from the High School that was built 20 years ago and a new elementary building my be built in that area in the near future. He told her that the senior center has looked at a ton of buildings and other possibilities. They have looked at joining together with other entities such as Norwalk Recreation Center or one of the public schools in Norwalk and to be housed by these entities. Ms. Gordon said that this would be helpful if this was the bucket that we wanted to put it in. Mr. Boose said that we also had the possibility of joining together with private or non-profit organizations as well.
- Ms. Gordon asked if there was a possibility of expanding the Willard facility and was told that would not be possible. She was told that the Willard location was started to service the southern part of the county, so they did not have to travel to Norwalk. Mr. Brady told her that the Norwalk facility would be able to service the Willard residents if they did want to come up to Norwalk.
- Mr. Wilde said the Norwalk senior center housed Meals on Wheels, to which Mr. Brady added that they also serve several hundred meals a day to seniors at the facility. Ms. Gordon said that this would also help.
- Ms. Gordon thought that with the health side of this as well. Many seniors were home bound for 2 years and may have suffered from depression. The senior center would provide them the opportunity to get back out.
- A new center would have more accessibility, could be one level and incorporate touchless capabilities.
- Ms. Gordon would like to think on this to contemplate the options. She may have additional questions. She said that the fact that it is a government owned building can help us in allocating these ARPA monies between various purposes.
- Mr. Boose said that this was probably our highest priority at the moment. He said that there is such a need for the senior center, that the sooner we get to this, the better.
- 2. Mr. Boose was at a meeting last week and the discussion of electric vehicle charging stations came up.
  - The idea is that it would be better for the county to have these, than for people to by-pass the county because there are no places to charge your vehicle. Mr. Wilde noted that we get a lot of Cedar Point traffic through the county.

- Mr. Boose said that this would be looking towards the future, but electric cars sales are growing, just not as big around this area. He read that there are different sized chargers.
- Mr. Boose also read that other states have taken advantage of grants. In Michigan, they have charging stations at Meijer Stores. The Meijer's store in Sandusky has them.
- Mr. Boose said the interesting thing was the size of the chargers. He also said that some places do not charge a fee to use them. The idea is that you can charge your car while you shop. He does not think that they are fast chargers. It gives a little boost while you are shopping.
- Mr. Boose feels that we would want the bigger chargers that would give more of a charge if we wanted to attract people here. Some chargers could take all day to get a full charge.
- Mr. Boose said that there are different ways that places are accessing fees for the service. Some are not charging a fee.
- Ms. Gordon had an idea, but said she would like to table it for now. Mr. Boose asked if it would make more sense to do this ourselves. Can we give grants out to businesses for this? Ms. Gordon said that there are grants available thru sub-recipient agreements. One thing you always have to work on, especially with sub-recipients who are a private business is that they do not like dealing with prevailing wage and other requirements of a grant.
- Mr. Boose thinks that this would move the county forward and not just spend the money to spend it.
- Ms. Gordon said that we are located in an area that is considered to be tourism spot, which is specifically designated as an impacted industry. Cedar Point and Summit Raceway are tourist industries, so would be considered impacted.
- 3. Broadband
  - Mr. Boose said that there were 2 companies that got a substantial amount of money from a state grant. Spectrum got over 10M and North cost wireless got 1.5M. Mr. Boose thought that was a good start for us, but we would need to figure out how to determine who has it and who still needs it. Would like to continue to do more.
  - Mr. Boose asked how we could balance multiple grant opportunities to get the most for Huron County. Ms. Gordon stated that what they have been doing is defining what has currently been done, then looking at what still needs to be done. We would then come in with the other funding.
  - Ms. Gordon asked where we were at with that grant and she was told that we had just gotten the grant a few weeks ago, but it did list the households who would be getting the service. It will be in 2 major groups, one group is in the eastern, one in the south and then the western part of the county.
  - Mr. Boose told Ms. Gordon that we were really confused as to what money to use for what things. We also have .5M set aside with no restrictions on it that we could use however we want. Could use it to fill in gaps from other funding sources. We need to figure out how to mesh everything together.
  - Ms. Gordon talked about the broadband side of ARPA and said that they have different guidelines on what you need to determine in terms of service area, how many households and that type of thing. Ms. Gordon asked if we knew that areas that were still going to need the broadband access. Mr. Boose told her that she would need to talk to our IT person, Joel Riedy. Mr. Riedy is in charge of the broadband and would have the information that she needs. Ms. Gordon asked if we could get her Mr. Riedy's contact information.
  - Ms. Gordon said that we would need to define the project, then we can determine the amount of money we will need for it. She said that broadband was an identified bucket in itself, or it could go under the governmental services. Mr. Boose thought that may be that could be the big project for the non 10M bucket.
  - Ms. Gordon was excited about the broadband and said that many other areas of the state that are underserved in the broadband arena are looking to improve it. It became particularly apparent during the pandemic. Mr. Boose said that it was apparent in the schools and working from home
  - Ms. Gordon said broadband helped to provide connectivity to the outside world during the pandemic to those who had it. Ms. Gordon said that we had mentioned the farming aspect of broadband.
  - Mr. Brady told her that were he lived there was very low connectivity for broadband access.
  - Ms. Gordon said that this has been extremely helpful to her and will get to work on the items. Mr. Brady will be the contact for the senior center, Mr. Riedy will be the broadband contact and Mr. Wilde will be the ARPA contact.
- 4. Discussed the request by the engineer's office again. Ms. Gordon asked if they would be using all of the requested money for road related items and she was told the they wanted to use it for road equipment.
  - Mr. Tansey told her that they wanted a loader for the salt storage facility. He also said that the item they were asking for would be owned by the commissioners. Mr. Boose told her that he wanted to purchase something which would benefit the whole county.

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- Mr. Tansey stated that his letter should contain most of the information she needs, but if she needed any more information or details, please ask and he will get the information for her.
- Mr. Tansey also told her if she needed pricing that would be easy for him to get. If it looks like we will be able to get the money, then he can get the exact pricing pretty quickly.
- Ms. Gordon told them that this may have to meet federal as well as state requirements. Mr. Tansey told her that would be okay. Ms. Gordon said that there is a group that they have been working with and have put together items to meet federal procurement and we could utilize this information. Ms. Gordon said that we may not need to do all of that, but she will need to check.
- Mr. Tansey said that the only item that may be harder to bid is the truck, because they were trying to keep the fleet consistent for the mechanics. But with the trucks it is a 2-phase process. You buy the cab only, then you could advertise and bid out the plows. The cab and chassis are a separate purchase, followed by outfitting. The outfitting would be the thing to bid out. Mr. Tansey stated that if she needed us to do something, they are willing to do it to make this happen.
- Mr. Brady told Ms. Gordon that Mr. Tansey was there for other items on the agenda at the board meeting and the commissioners invited him to stay so he could ask her questions about the ARPA money.
- Everyone felt that these were enough items for now. Ms. Gordon said that we could reconvene to review items.

### At 12:15 p.m. the board recessed

### At 12:16 p.m. the board resumed regular session

At 12:16 p.m. Harry Brady motioned to adjourn. Terry Boose 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 March 29, 2022.

### IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNING

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:16 p.m.

Signatures on File

\*The following bids were opened for the 2022 Chip and Seal Project – Phase 2 on Friday, April 01, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

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Chip and Seal - Phase 2 Estim

Ref.	ltem	Description	Quant.	Unit		ALLIED CONSTRUCTION MELWAY PAVING ERIE BLACKTOP						ктор	
1	103.5	Premium Contract Bond	1	LS	\$ .	8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 6,600.00	\$ 6,6	00.00	\$ 9,250.00	\$	9,250.00
2	422	Seal Coat Bituminous Material, CRS-2 @ 0.38 avg. gal/SY, as per plan	420,000	GAL	\$	2.63	\$ 1,104,600.00	\$ 2.25	\$ 945,0	00.00	\$ 3.20	\$	1,344,000.00
3	422	Seal Coat Aggregate #8 Washed Limestone @ 22lbs/SY, as per plan	12,000	TN	\$	29.20	\$ 350,400.00	\$ 42.50	\$ 510,0	00.00	\$ 26.00	\$	312,000.00
4	422	Seal Coat Aggregate #9 Washed Limestone @ 22lbs/SY, as per plan	320	TN	\$	25.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 42.50	\$ 13,6	00.00	\$ 21.40	\$	6,848.00
5	Spec.	Seal Coat Bituminous Material, CRS-2 @ 0.38 avg. gal/SY, Cemetery Drives, as per plan	2,600	GAL	\$	2.63	\$ 6,838.00	\$ 2.50	\$ 6,5	00.00	\$ 7.85	\$	20,410.00
6	Spec.	Seal Coat Aggregate #8 Washed Limestone @ 22lbs/SY, Cemetery Drives, as per plan	80	TN	\$	29.20	\$ 2,336.00	\$ 52.00	\$ 4,1	60.00	\$ 33.50	\$	2,680.00
7	614	Maintenance of Traffic	1	LS	\$ 2	0,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 80,0	00.00	\$ 80,000.00	\$	80,000.00
8	624	Mobilization	1	LS	\$ 2	0,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 18,0	00.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$	10,000.00
							\$ 1,520,174.00		\$ 1,583,8	60.00		\$	1,785,188.00