

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.

Also, in attendance: Vickie Ziemba, Administrator/Clerk; Cherise Webb, Clerical Assistant; Randal Strickler, Assistant Prosecutor; Lee Tansey, Engineer; Eric Mesenburg, Citizen; Patricia Didion, Citizen; Shylee Greszler, Norwalk Ohio News; Joe Centers, Norwalk Reflector.

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 305.14 the Record of the Proceedings of the December 15, 2022 meeting(s) were presented to the Board. Harry Brady made the motion to waive the reading of the December 15, 2022 minutes of the meeting(s) and approve as presented. Terry Boose seconded the motion. Voting was as follows:

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

Commissioner Wilde then turned the meeting over to Vickie Ziemba, Administrator/Clerk.

Ms. Ziemba stated each year the board of Huron County Commissioners are organized by the election of one of its members as the president for a one-year term. Ms. Ziemba opened the floor for nominations to the position of president of Huron County Commissioners for 2023.

Mr. Wilde nominated Harry Brady for President of the Huron County Commissioners. Mr. Boose seconded the motion.

23-001

IN THE MATTER OF ELECTING A PRESIDENT FOR THE BOARD OF HURON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the board of county commissioners shall organize each year in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code Section 305.05 and elect of one of its members as president for a term of one year;
now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that Harry Brady is hereby elected to serve as President of the Board of Huron County Commissioners for the year 2023;
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

Ms. Ziemba stated each year the board of Huron County Commissioners are organized by the election of one of its members as the vice president for a one-year term. Ms. Ziemba opened the floor for nominations to the position of vice president of Huron County Commissioners for 2023.

Mr. Wilde nominated Terry Boose for vice president of the Huron County Commissioners. Mr. Brady seconded the motion.

23-002

IN THE MATTER OF ELECTING A VICE PRESIDENT FOR THE BOARD OF HURON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the board of county commissioners shall organize each year in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code Section 305.05 and elect of one of its members as vice president for a term of one year;
now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that Terry Boose is hereby elected to serve as Vice President of the Board of Huron County Commissioners for the year 2023;
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

Ms. Ziemba stated each year the meeting times need to be set. In 2022, the meetings started at 9:00 a.m. every Tuesday and the first and third Thursday. She asked if they wished to continue with the same times. The commissioners were happy with those times.

23-003

IN THE MATTER OF SETTING THE MEETING TIME FOR THE BOARD OF HURON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR 2023

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, as per Section 305.06 of the Ohio Revised Code, the board of county commissioners shall conduct at least fifty regular sessions each year, at the usual office of the board at the county seat and these sessions shall be conducted at a specific time fixed in advance; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners will hold their regular sessions every Tuesday and the first and third Thursday’s beginning at 9:00 a.m. until adjournment, at 180 Milan Avenue, Suite 7, Norwalk, Ohio 44857; 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

23-004

IN THE MATTER OF SETTING SPECIAL MEETINGS FOR THE BOARD OF HURON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code section 121.22 (F), every public body, by rule, shall establish a reasonable method whereby any person may determine the time and place of all regularly scheduled meetings and the time, place, and purpose of all special meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners desires to establish a rule to provide for notice of special meetings; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clerk shall give notice of the date, time, location, and purpose or purposes of a special session other than an emergency session as early as practicable, but not later than twenty-four (24) hours before the time the meeting is to start; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, if there is sufficient time to post twenty-four hours’ notice, the clerk shall give notice of an emergency session in the same manner as notice of a non-emergency special session. Otherwise, notice of the emergency session shall consist of notifying all news media who have requested notice in writing of special or emergency sessions as soon as an emergency session has been called or if communications are not possible as soon thereafter as is possible; 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

Ms. Ziemba asked the commissioners what time they would like to hold their public comment period and the time allowed for it. She told them in 2022 they held this period at 9:05 a.m. and each person had 3 minutes to speak. If the meeting started later, then the period was 5 minutes after the start of the meeting.

23-005

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION DURING THE BOARD OF HURON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETINGS

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the public is invited to speak to any of the agenda items and other topics, comments will be limited to three (3) minutes per person, with the public comment period limited to 15 minutes total, and comments directed to the Board of Huron County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, it will be the practice of the Board of Commissioners that personnel matters of a personal and confidential nature are not appropriate topics for a public meeting and accordingly these concerns should be addressed individually with the Administrator/Clerk and/or in executive session of the Board of Huron County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the board welcomes public comments and questions during the time set aside in the meeting for public comment and asks that any member of the public who wishes to address the board sign in to provide name, address and telephone number; and

WHEREAS, the time scheduled for public comment for the year 2023 will be 9:05 a.m. In the event the meeting opening time changes, the public comment period will begin five minutes after the meeting opens; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners set public participation policy during the Board of Commissioners meeting as stated above; and further

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

Terry Boose seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Mr. Boose asked if it were possible to limit the number of people speaking. Ms. Ziemba said it was up to them, but there was nothing setting it. Ms. Ziemba told Mr. Boose we could add a limit if they wanted too. Mr. Stricker stated the law does not require us to let people speak in the meeting, the only thing the law requires is we let people come in to listen to the business being conducted. Mr. Stricker added it is at the discretion of the commissioners to let people have a public comment period. Ms. Ziemba asked the commissioners how they wanted to limit the period. They discussed limiting the total time period. Mr. Boose thought if they limited the public comment period to a total of 15 minutes, it could be extended at the discretion of the board president. The other commissioners agreed to this.

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

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

23-006

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR/CLERK TO THE BOARD TO PERFORM ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE 305.30

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 305.30 the Board of Huron County Commissioners is authorized to delegate specific authority to the County Administrator/Clerk to the Board for contracting on behalf of the Board, allowing and paying claims, and performing personnel functions as the Board may determine by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners desire to grant the authority to the County Administrator/Clerk to the Board to perform those functions for 2023; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Huron County Commissioners, that the County Administrator/Clerk to the Board be, and hereby is, authorized to exercise the powers of the Board within the limitations and guidelines set forth below:

- 1. **CONTRACTS.** The County Administrator/Clerk to the Board is hereby authorized to negotiate, approve, and execute contracts or agreements that are for amounts not exceeding Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000). The County Administrator/Clerk to the Board must inform the Board of all contracts that have been executed.
- 2. **PAYMENT OF GOODS.** The County Administrator/Clerk to the Board be, and is hereby, authorized to allow and pay claims for goods received and services rendered for individual invoices up to Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) upon receipt of written certification from the Auditor’s Office that the county departments have provided sufficient documentation of the purchase of the goods or services.
- 3. **PERSONNEL.** The County Administrator/Clerk to the Board is hereby authorized to perform any or all personnel functions otherwise conferred or incumbent upon the Board of Commissioners under chapter 124 or any other chapter of section of the Ohio Revised Code for departments that report to the Board, with the exception of hiring or termination of employment.

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

23-007

IN THE MATTER OF DESIGNATING THE OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE AND ALTERNATE FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ASSOCIATION OF OHIO IN 2023

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 6, of the Code of Regulations of the County Commissioners’ Association of Ohio requires each member county to, for the purpose of voting at any annual or special meeting of the Association, designate an Official Representative and Alternate; and

WHEREAS, the designation of the Official Representative and Alternate for a county organized under the statutory form of county government shall be by resolution of the board of county commissioners; and

WHEREAS, in designating the Official Representative and Alternate only a member of the board of county commissioners is eligible to be designated as the Official Representative and Alternate; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that Terry Boose is designated as the Official Voting Representative of Huron County; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that Bruce Wilde is designated as the Alternate Voting Representative of Huron County; 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

23-008

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ENGINEER TO PROCEED WITH CONSTRUCTION OR RECONSTRUCTION BY FORCE ACCOUNT

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has determined the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Huron County will be best served by authorizing the County Engineer to proceed by "Force Account" in matters pertaining to the construction, reconstruction, improvement, of Huron County roads, bridges and culverts; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Huron County Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize the Huron County Engineer to use county forces and proceed by "Force Account" in the construction, reconstruction and improvement, of the roads, bridges and culverts serving Huron County's residents, and that this authorization shall extend to, and include, any such roads, bridges and culverts on state, county, city or village roadways when the County Engineer has been so authorized by the respective jurisdiction; and further

BE IT RESOLVED that the County Engineer is hereby authorized by the Board of County Commissioners to employ such laborers and vehicles, use such county employees and property, lease such implements and tools, and purchase such materials as are necessary in the construction, reconstruction, improvement of said roads by force account. And that, when determining whether construction or reconstruction of roads may be undertaken by force account, the County Engineer shall first cause to be made an estimate of the cost of such work using the force account project assessment form developed by the auditor of state under section 117.16 of the Revised Code. When the total estimated cost of the Force Account work exceeds thirty thousand dollars per mile, the County Commissioners shall invite and receive competitive bids for furnishing all the labor, materials, and equipment necessary to complete the work in accordance with sections 307.86 to 307.92 of the Revised Code; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Engineer is authorized by this Board of County Commissioners to use such county employees and property, lease such implements and tools, and purchase such materials as are necessary in the construction, reconstruction, improvement, of bridges and culverts by force account. And that, when determining whether such construction, reconstruction, improvement of bridges or culverts may be undertaken by force account, the County Engineer shall first cause to be made an estimate of the cost of such work using the force account project assessment form. When the total estimated cost of the work exceeds one hundred thousand dollars, this Board of County Commissioners shall invite and receive competitive bids for furnishing all the labor, materials, and equipment necessary to complete the work, in accordance with sections 307.86 to 307.92 of the Revised Code. The County Engineer shall obtain the approval required by section 5543.02 of the Revised Code; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that "Force Account," as used in this section means that the County Engineer will act as contractor, using labor employed by the Engineer, or, using material and equipment either owned by the county or leased by the county, or purchased in compliance with sections 307.86 to 307.92 of the Revised Code and excludes subcontracting such work which requires competitive bidding pursuant to sections 307.86 to 307.92 of the Revised Code unless, or until, such work has been bid and awarded by the Board of Commissioners; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the term "competitive bids" as used in this section requires competition for the whole contract regarding such materials, or, components of any such contract awarded by the County Commissioners and in regard to its component parts, includes labor and materials; 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 per the ORC, they are only allowed to do so much work in house with county crews, it has a dollar threshold. This resolution allows them to move forward with the work within that threshold. Anything beyond that amount would need to be bid or contracted out. This allows them to move forward with day to day maintenance activity.

Mr. Wilde asked for the threshold amount. Mr. Tansey said it is \$101,000 for a bridge and \$25,000 per lane mile. They discussed costs going up and Mr. Tansey stated it was costing us \$5.00 to \$6.00 more per yard of concrete this year, compared to last year, to purchase concrete.

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

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

23-009

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ENGINEER TO SUBMIT FOR THE ROUND 38 FUNDING OF CERTAIN HIGHWAY AND BRIDGE PROJECTS BY THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION

Bruce Wilde moved to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, District Nine of the Ohio Public Works Commission has established local application deadlines for the Engineering Review Subcommittee and the District’s Executive and Integrating Committee Selection meeting prior to submittal of locally reviewed, ranked and selected projects to the Ohio Public Works Commission in Columbus; and

WHEREAS, the County Engineer has requested authorization to submit various projects as part of Huron County’s application process; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby authorize the County Engineer to submit for the funding of various improvement projects to the Ohio Public Works Commission, enter into any agreements that may be necessary and appropriate for obtaining this financial assistance and for the funding of the local share of said projects be paid from the Engineer’s Auto Tax account to the extent said projects are selected by the Local Integrating Committee, approved by the District Committee and otherwise approved for funding by the Ohio Public Works Commission; 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 explained this was funded by bonds and renewed every 10 years, then added it is a great program for local municipalities. He stated all of the projects they do are only made possible by this grant application for the Ohio Public Works Commission. This resolution allows us to apply in the coming year for the projects.

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

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

23-010

IN THE MATTER OF ASSIGNING THE PREVAILING WAGE COORDINATOR FOR COMMISSIONER PROJECTS FOR 2023

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners have many projects that apply to the prevailing wage laws for the State of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the Prevailing Wage Coordinator needs named by the Board of Commissioners for approvals of forms, reports and anything pertaining to prevailing wage; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby names Valerie Stebel, Administrative Assistant, as the Prevailing Wage Coordinator for Commissioner projects for 2023; 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

23-011

IN THE MATTER OF CONTINUING FUND #131 FOR THE TECHNOLOGY NEEDS OF THE COUNTY RECORDER

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Recorder submitted a proposal for needed technology equipment for the operation of her office for the fiscal year 2023; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves of the continuation of the Technologies Fund #131 with the cost per document at \$7.00 for the fiscal year of 2023 effective January 1, 2023; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Administrator/Clerk is to certify a copy of this resolution to the Huron County Auditor and the Huron County Recorder; 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:** Ms. Ziemba stated the recorder brought this up during the budget meetings.

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

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

23-012

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE AGREEMENT FOR HOUSING JUVENILES IN THE SENECA COUNTY YOUTH CENTER

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Huron County does not maintain a juvenile detention facility; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners is desirous of entering into an agreement with Seneca County for the receipt, custody, and care of juveniles at the Seneca County Youth Center for 2023 on an as needed basis for a not-to-exceed sum of One Hundred and Twenty-seven Thousand, Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$127,750.00); now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby enters into agreement with Seneca County for the receipt, custody, and care of juveniles at the Seneca County Youth Center as per the contract 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.

Terry Boose seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Mr. Strickler said it was the same contract as last year, but it went from \$65/day to \$70/day. Mr. Boose said he appreciated the prosecutor’s office and the juvenile judge working together to have this done and although it is a lot of money, it is a great savings because if we did our own it would be a lot more.

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

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

**Agreement on file*

23-013

IN THE MATTER OF HOLDING MEMBERSHIP IN THE HURON COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners desires to hold membership in the Huron County Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners recognizes that membership in this organization would be beneficial; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners approves holding membership in the Huron County Chamber of Commerce and approves the membership fee in the amount of \$300.00; 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

23-014

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR 2023 FROM THE VERDIN COMPANY FOR THE HURON COUNTY COURTHOUSE CLOCK

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Huron County Director of Operations recommends a partnership with The Verdin Company for select maintenance services for the clock tower; and

WHEREAS, The Verdin Company has submitted a proposal for coverage of the bell(s) and bell ringing equipment; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves the Maintenance Agreement submitted by The Verdin Company for select clock tower services, 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.

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

**Agreement on file*

23-015

IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING INTO CONTRACT WITH LEXIS NEXIS FOR FINANCIAL TRANSACTION DEVICES

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a board of county commissioners may adopt a resolution authorizing the acceptance of payments by financial transactions devices for county expenses upon certain terms and conditions, pursuant to ORC § 301.28; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners passed such a resolution which authorized the acceptance of such payments; and

WHEREAS, a board of county commissioners shall solicit proposals from financial institutions, issuers of financial transaction devices, or processors of financial transaction devices for the purposes of ORC § 301.28; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners has solicited such proposals of financial transaction devices; and

WHEREAS, a board of county commissioners may choose to contract with any or all of the entities submitting proposals, pursuant to ORC § 301.28; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners has accepted proposals from Lexis Nexis, nCourt, and Point & Pay to the extent that only those accepted proposals may be selected for contract by Huron County Officials; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners by resolution has authorized Huron County Officials authorized to accept payments by financial transaction devices to independently contract with Lexis Nexis, nCourt, or Point & Pay for financial transaction devices services in their offices; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves entering into contract with Lexis Nexis for financial transaction devices for use by the Huron County Commissioners in their Commercial Building Department; 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*

IN THE MATTER OF TRAVEL

Bruce Wilde 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

- Harry Brady – Commissioner – Columbus, Ohio – CEBCO Board of Directors Informational meeting – January 12, 2023

Mr. Boose discussed the CCAO Meetings he will be attending in 2023 and whether they had put in a travel request.

SIGNINGS - none

Ms. Ziemba asked if they would like to discuss the various board appointments.

BOARDS	2022	2023
9-1-1 TAC Committee**	All – designee – President	All – designee – President
911 Planning Committee*	President	President
Board of Revision	Skip Wilde	Harry Brady
CAC Board	--	--
Catastrophic Leave Board	Harry Brady	Terry Boose
Community Corrections Board	Harry Brady	Harry Brady
Courthouse Security*	All – designee – Skip Wilde	All – designee –Skip Wilde
DATA Processing Board	Skip Wilde	Skip Wilde
District 9	Terry Boose – voting+ Harry Brady – alternate+	Terry Boose – voting+ Harry Brady – alternate+ Term expires Dec 2024
Region 19 One Ohio (opioid) County Representative	Terry Boose	Terry Boose
EMA Board	All – designee – Skip Wilde	All – designee –Terry Boose

Erie Basin RC & D	Terry Boose exp. 12/2022	Terry Boose
Family & Children First	Harry Brady	Harry Brady
HCDC	All	All
Investment Board	Skip Wilde, Harry Brady	Terry Boose, Skip Wilde
LEPC Board	All – designee Harry Brady	All – designee Skip Wilde
Planning Commission	All	All
Huron County Transportation Committee	Harry Brady	Harry Brady
Records Commission	Terry Boose	Terry Boose
RLF Board/TIRC	Skip Wilde	Skip Wilde
Solid Waste Management**	Terry Boose	Harry Brady (Skip-alternate)
Transportation Improvement District Board	Terry Boose – voting+ Harry Brady – alternate+	Terry Boose – voting+ Harry Brady – alternate+ Term expires March 22, 2023
Willard Economic Development Advisory Council	Harry Brady	All
WIOA Board	All	All
Land Bank	Skip Wilde, Harry Brady	Skip Wilde, Harry Brady
Firelands Forward	Terry Boose	Terry Boose
DEPARTMENT LIAISONS	2022	2023
CEBCO	Harry Brady	Harry Brady
CORSA	Skip Wilde	Skip Wilde
ARPA Liaison	Skip Wilde	All
JFS Liaison	Terry Boose	All
Senior Enrichment Liaison	Harry Brady	All - Harry Brady
Veterans Office Liaison	Harry Brady	All
Airport Liaison	Harry Brady	Harry Brady
United Fund - EFSP	Skip Wilde	Skip Wilde
Landfill Liaison	Terry Boose	Terry Boose
Wind Farms Liaison	Harry Brady	All
IT Liaison	Skip Wilde	Skip Wilde
CCAO Board	Terry Boose	Terry Boose
CCAO Committees	Terry Boose	Terry Boose / Harry Brady
Health Department	Skip Wilde	Skip Wilde
Greater Ohio Workforce Board	Terry Boose	Terry Boose

*President of the Board

**President of Board or designee

Mr. Brady asked Ms. Ziemba if she had anything else to discuss. She did not.

Assistant Prosecutor updates: – none

Commissioner Wilde updates:

- Mr. Wilde said he had received a phone call from someone having a problem with wolves. He planned to contact the Dog Warden. Ms. Ziemba had received an email from the Dog Warden. She read *“Nick advised me last week of Ms. Storm calling and complaining about Gerrard's wolves running. I guess she called everyone to include the commissioner's office. This has been an ongoing situation for years. Storm believes Keith Garrard is guilty of his wolves running, every time this office goes there the dogs are put up. I do know there is quite a bit of people in that area that also own wolf hybrids. Mr. Garrard does have current 2023 license. There is an active warrant for Keith Garrard through Bellevue Courts by the Dog Warden Office for a dog at large charge. At this point Ms. Storm needs to have pictures of the wolves and absolute proof the dogs belong to Garrard since we know others in the area get loose at times as well. Storm and Garrard have been going at it for decades. The wolves are not dangerous they are shy and will run from anyone, however, one will jump into your arms and want loved, her name is Sadie. They really haven't done much of anything but run loose and are no threat to any human. Supposedly, they tore some tarp up at Storm's residence... I investigated that and it was a toss-up because any animal can burrow and rip it up going into the ground or looking for food. Ms. Storm has again been advised to take pictures and we will do another statement for records. I highly doubt Bellevue Court will charge him again until last year's matter is complete and he is picked up on the warrant. Any questions let me know. I will keep you informed of the situations.”*
- Will let the dog warden handle this since he is aware of the situation.
- SAFEbuilt - They are there and we need to get them set up with Lexis Nexis for credit cards. In the mean time they can accept checks and cash. Mr. Wilde stated he will be recording a phone message

when you call 668-3092, it will say “press this number for the commissioners and this number for the County Building Department.” Mr. Wilde said they have an inspector in the office and are training a new person for this office in Sandusky County. If someone is not there, they will always forward the phone to a person. Mr. Wilde will be in contact with them every day. Ms. Ziemba asked if there would be a person in the office everyday of the week. Mr. Wilde said currently there will be, if someone has to step out, they will forward their calls to a cell phone. Ms. Ziemba asked if we could transfer calls to them, Mr. Wilde told her yes and said we can transfer to extension 1940.

- SAFEbuilt will meet with Wakeman, Willard, Monroeville and Norwalk. They will get them set up so each municipality can see their own city or village. We will be invoicing the other communities. Mr. Wilde will make sure that he gets their questions answered.

Commissioner Boose updates:

- Mr. Boose said Mr. Mead had sent them a 2024 Eclipse Needs Assessment. Mr. Boose thought no one can really predict how much this will affect Huron County. If you read the assessment, it looks like there are a lot of things which need to be done.
- Mr. Boose has 2 suggestions after reading the assessment
 - Have Mr. Mead put together a 2024 solar eclipse advisory committee. They put a plan together and all decisions will be made through the commissioner’s office. They can make recommendations to the commissioners. There is no money budgeted to this.
 - Mr. Boose thought we should send an e-mail to our 2 state representatives and our 2 state senators. Every time there is a major event taking place, those areas usually get money from the state to help put on that event. He felt if we attached the Assessment to the e-mail and said based on a 2022 assessment report which came from the state, there should be money for the people along the centerline of totality area. The money will be needed soon since the eclipse is just a little over a year away. Mr. Boose strongly suggests they get together with their friends down in Columbus and do a bill to provide money for the anticipated needs during this event, such as communication, radio, transportation and security. There should be money provided by the state for this event.
- Mr. Boose noted the report was about 22 pages long and there was a lot in it. They have some recommendations in it and Mr. Boose thought it would cost money to do some of the items. Mr. Brady asked if we could draft an e-mail to them about this and attach the assessment. Ms. Ziemba asked if someone could forward the assessment to her.
- Mr. Boose commented the actual center line would be going through mainly rural areas.

Commissioner Brady updates:

- Mr. Brady will review the RFQs for the Senior Center. They will be ranking the RFQ’s on Thursday. Ms. Ziemba stated Amanda Gordon had no changes to make to the ranking form.

At 10:16 a.m. Bruce Wilde moved 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 January 3, 2023.

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 10:16 a.m.

Signatures on file