

REGULAR SESSION

TUESDAY

FEBRUARY 23, 2010

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

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 305.14 the Record of the Proceedings of the February 18, 2010 meeting(s) were presented to the Board. Larry J. Silcox made the motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the February 18, 2010 meeting(s) and approve as presented. Gary W. Bauer seconded the motion. Voting was as follows:

Aye – Mike Adelman
Aye – Gary W. Bauer
Aye – Larry J. Silcox

10-064

Signature only

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING REQUESTS FOR EXPENDITURE OF OVER \$500.00 SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD FEBRUARY 18, 2010

Gary W. Bauer moved the adoption of the following resolution:

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

Huron County Transfer Station

LFG Specialties	replacement of blower bearing for the		
	Lamson 3108-0-8 GB Blower	\$2,246.00	now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves of the requests for expenditure of over \$500.00 as listed above; and further

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

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

Aye – Mike Adelman
Aye – Gary W. Bauer
Aye – Larry J. Silcox

10-065

IN THE MATTER OF CERTIFYING CLAIMS SCHEDULES TO THE HURON COUNTY AUDITOR FOR PAYMENT:

Gary W. Bauer 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 Schedule C 10-07 authorize the Huron County Auditor to make the necessary warrants; and further

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

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

Aye – Mike Adelman
Aye – Gary W. Bauer
Aye – Larry J. Silcox

CLAIM SCHEDULE Page: 1
Batch Number: 07 Date: 02/24/2010 Reference:
I hereby certify that there are sufficient funds in the Various Appropriation Codes to cover the payment of the following claims.
Referenced by Paul O Auditor
We hereby approve for payment by the County Auditor the following vouchers as itemized below.
Mike Adelman
Gary W. Bauer
Larry J. Silcox
County Commissioners

Table with columns: Vendor, Amount, PO/Line, Warrant, Account. Includes entries for CLAUDIA L GARNER WEBSITE UPDATES, MT BUSINESS TECHNOLOGIES INC, RORSCHE ASSOCIATES INC, VIKING TECHNOLOGY INC, etc.

CLAIM SCHEDULE Page: 2
Batch Number: 07 Date: 02/24/2010 Reference:
Vendor Amount PO/Line Warrant Account
001-008 COMMON PLEAS COURT 1,303.65 ** Total **
001-013 JUVENILE COURT
RORSCH ASSOCIATES INC 144.55 30572/1 000000 00175
001-013 JUVENILE COURT 144.55 ** Total **
001-015 JUVENILE C DETENTION
BI INC 1,420.78 30578/1 000000 00475
01/10 ELECTRONIC MONITORING
001-015 JUVENILE C DETENTION 1,420.78 ** Total **
001-016 PROBATE COURT
BATTLES INSURANCE AGENCY IN 139.00 30582/1 000000 00475
PARK BOARD BOND INV 109077
001-016 PROBATE COURT 139.00 ** Total **
001-017 CLERK OF COURTS
GRAPHIC PAPER PRODUCTS 983.00 30125/2 000000 00175
ENVELOPES INV 85224
MT BUSINESS TECHNOLOGIES IN 611.41 30885/1 000000 00275
COPIER 56612 CNIN061708M
FP MAILING SOLUTIONS 179.85 30885/1 000000 00275
OPTIMAIL RENTAL INV RI100044660
001-017 CLERK OF COURTS 1,774.26 ** Total **
001-019 POLICE & MUNY COURTS
NORWALK MUNICIPAL COURT 193.56 30710/1 000000 00554
WITNESSES OR JURORS
001-019 POLICE & MUNY COURTS 193.56 ** Total **
001-022 BLDG & G-M & OPERATI
NEW HAVEN SUPPLY CO INC 550.95 30712/1 000000 00175
LAMPS & BALLASTS
K-MART (9227) 16.40 30712/1 000000 00175
FOAM CUPS

CLAIM SCHEDULE Page: 3
Batch Number: 07 Date: 02/24/2010 Reference:
Vendor Amount PO/Line Warrant Account
HURON COUNTY ENGINEER 564.00 30712/1 000000 00175
SALT & GRIT
THE PAPER CORPORATION 20,109.60 30712/1 000000 00175
COPY PAPER INV 159843
NEW HAVEN SUPPLY CO INC 558.31 30714/1 000000 00275
FACUET & TRANSIT WIRE
O B MEYER & SONS INC 5.58 30714/1 000000 00275
MEDIUM CYLINDER INV 774537
VERIZON NORTH 403.33 000000 00525
TELEPHONE/BSMT 27 5505 2649043490 07 000000 00525
VERIZON NORTH 116.50 000000 00525
TELEPHONE/COMMISSIONERS
VERIZON NORTH 131.76 000000 00525
TELEPHONE/BD OF ELECTIONS 27 5505 2649041544 09 000000 00525
VERIZON NORTH 174.01 000000 00525
TELEPHONE/CLERK 27 5505 2649008385 03 000000 00525
VERIZON NORTH 53.78 000000 00525
TELEPHONE/JUVENILE 27 5505 2648112960 09 000000 00527
COLUMBIA GAS 3,263.83 000000 00527
GAS
001-022 BLDG & G-M & OPERATI 25,948.05 ** Total **
001-023 SHERIFF
JOHN HARRIS 10.00 30471/1 000000 00175
GAS REIMB
001-023 SHERIFF 10.00 ** Total **
001-027 PUBLIC DEFENDER COMM
FIRST COMMUNICATIONS LLC 3.45 30972/1 000000 00525
LONG DISTANCE/PUB DEF ACCT 1116683092
001-027 PUBLIC DEFENDER COMM 3.45 ** Total **
001-036 JAIL OPERATIONS
COLUMBIA GAS 1,422.61 000000 00527
JAIL GAS
001-036 JAIL OPERATIONS 1,422.61 ** Total **
001-039 INSURANCE & TAXES
COMP MANAGEMENT INC 2,500.00 30725/1 000000 00569
WORKERS COMP INV CN000024509

CLAIM SCHEDULE Page: 4
Batch Number: 07 Date: 02/24/2010 Reference:
Vendor Amount PO/Line Warrant Account
001-039 INSURANCE & TAXES 2,500.00 ** Total **
001-040 MISCELLANEOUS
CHRISTIE LANE INDUSTRIES IN 427.35 30726/1 000000 00569
MAIL COURIER-JANUARY
NORWALK REFLECTOR INC 80.86 30726/1 000000 00569
LEGALS/CLIENT #211785
HURON COUNTY TREASURER 36.00 30726/1 000000 00569
MOHO TAX BILL ACCT #03083
OHIO PUBLIC DEFENDER 100.00 30727/1 000000 00570
INDIGENT
ERIN K MEYER 535.00 30727/1 000000 00570
INDIGENT
FREMANN & FREEMAN 170.50 30727/1 000000 00570
INDIGENT
MATTHEW A CRAIG 352.64 30727/1 000000 00570
INDIGENT
RANDAL L STRICKLER CO LPA 65.00 30727/1 000000 00570
INDIGENT
NANCY JENNINGS 360.00 30727/1 000000 00570
INDIGENT
RICHARD HADSER 520.00 30727/1 000000 00570
INDIGENT
THORNTON BARWOOD & 619.00 30727/1 000000 00570
INDIGENT
MATTHEW HAWLEY 743.00 30727/1 000000 00570
INDIGENT DNA 200900063 & 64
STEVEN G PALMER 948.00 30727/1 000000 00570
INDIGENT/CR12009-536
THOMAS J STOLL 32.00 30727/1 000000 00570
INDIGENT/JUV2009475 & 476
001-040 MISCELLANEOUS 4,989.35 ** Total **
001 GENERAL FUND 40,402.88 ** Total **
104 INDIGENT GUARDIANSHI
104-104 INDIGENT GUARDIANSHI
CATHOLIC CHARITIES 3,000.00 30585/1 000000 00250
ADULT ADVOCACY SERVICES 01/01-03/31/10
104-104 INDIGENT GUARDIANSHI 3,000.00 ** Total **

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Huron County Commissioners/Misc. #040

Pifer's Garage Door Service Sally Port Door broken spring/Jail \$710.00

Huron County Department of Job & Family services

Speedway Super America Fuel only cards \$12,480.00 now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves of the requests for expenditure of over \$500.00 as listed above; and further

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

Gary W. Bauer seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Mike Adelman
Aye – Gary W. Bauer
Aye –Larry J. Silcox

10-067

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTING AN INTERIM DOG WARDEN

Gary W. Bauer moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Bill Duncan has resigned as Dog Warden, effective February 12, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the opening for the position of Dog Warden has been posted and advertised and interviews will be scheduled; and

WHEREAS, an interim Dog Warden needs to be appointed until the new Dog Warden is hired; and

WHEREAS, this interim position will be a classified position during the period of this appointment; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that Gary Ousley, Deputy Dog Warden will assume the position of Interim Dog Warden, effective February 23, 2010 as a classified employee at the same rate of pay, with on call and over time status during the period of this appointment; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that if Gary Ousley should not be the successful candidate for the permanent Dog Warden position that he will return to his former position as a classified Deputy Dog Warden; and further

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

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

Aye – Mike Adelman
Aye – Gary W. Bauer
Aye –Larry J. Silcox

10-068

IN THE MATTER OF VACATION OF THE ABANDONED TOWNSHIP ROAD, NORWALK TOWNSHIP, HURON COUNTY, OHIO AS PETITIONED BY THE OWNERS

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

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WHEREAS, a petition has been received from the owners for vacation of an abandoned township road, Norwalk Township, Huron County section of the street or drive is located within the boundaries of the land of petitioner and is described as the 50 foot wide area marked as right of way within boundaries of Petitioners' property as described in the warranty deed to Michael R. Fleming and Sandra J. Fleming recorded at Vol. 429, page 585 of the Huron County Deed Records; and

WHEREAS, resolution 09-447 fixed the time and date of hearing for said vacation; and

WHEREAS, on Thursday, February 18, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. the Board of Huron County Commissioners held a public hearing for the purpose of hearing comments and receiving the report and description from the Huron County Engineer; and

WHEREAS, the report and description were received from the County Engineer and the report stated that it is the recommendation of the Huron County Engineer that the abandoned township road, Norwalk Township, Huron County section of the street or drive that is located within the boundaries of the land of petitioner and is described as the 50 foot wide area marked as right of way within boundaries of Petitioners' property as described in the warranty deed to Michael R. Fleming and Sandra J. Fleming recorded at Vol. 429, page 585 of the Huron County Deed Records be vacated; and

WHEREAS, the publication of the dates, times, and purpose of the above described public hearing was done in accordance with Section 5553.04 of the Ohio Revised Code; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that it is the opinion of the Board of Huron County Commissioners that the vacation of the abandoned township road would be for the convenience or welfare and, therefore, Norwalk Township, Huron County section of the street or drive that is located within the boundaries of the land of petitioner and is described as the 50 foot wide area marked as right of way within boundaries of Petitioners' property as described in the warranty deed to Michael R. Fleming and Sandra J. Fleming recorded at Vol. 429, page 585 of the Huron County Deed Records hereby vacated as petitioned by the owners; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board is hereby directed to send a certified copy of the resolution to the petitioners, Norwalk Township Trustees, affected property owners, the Huron County Auditor, the Huron County Recorder, Huron County Engineer, and the Director of Natural Resources; 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.

Gary W. Bauer seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Mike Adelman
Aye – Gary W. Bauer
Aye – Larry J. Silcox

IN THE MATTER OF TRAVEL

Larry J. Silcox moved to approve the following travel request this day. Gary W. Bauer seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Mike Adelman
Aye – Gary W. Bauer
Aye – Larry J. Silcox

Roland Tkach, Auditor, on March 10, 2010, to Columbus, Ohio, for Continuing Education.

IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR LEAVE

Vickie Ziembra/Commissioners/sick/8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. February 22, 2010/vacation/8:00 a.m. July 12, 2010 – 4:30 p.m. July 19, 2010.

Cheryl Nolan/Commissioners/sick/8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. March 1, 2010.

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At 9:30 a.m. no public comment.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mike Adelman stated that the board had received correspondence from S&W requesting that their budget hold as was presented in the interim budget. Larry Silcox discussed the appropriation for S&W and they are hoping for an additional \$5,000 added to the interim budget.

Mike Adelman discussed the request from the sheriff in regards to the vehicle replacement. The board agreed to have discussion with the sheriff before approving this request.

Discussion was had on the prosecutor opinion in regards to the best and most responsive bid. Daivia Kasper, Assistant Prosecutor will be asked to research and develop resolution for this.

Mr. Adelman also discussed a letter received from Huntington Insurance requesting time to speak with the commissioners. Mr. Adelman also discussed creating a policy for direct deposit. Ms. Kasper will look at such policy.

Gary Bauer discussed the Grade A banquet donation and splitting a \$100.00 donation three ways. Mr. Bauer also discussed the cattleman's tickets and or sponsorships.

At 9:49 a.m. the board recessed

At 10:00 a.m. regular session resumed.

2nd PUBLIC HEARING **RATE MODIFICATION TRANSFER STATION**

At 10:00 a.m. Mike Adelman, President opened the 2nd public hearing for the rate modification at the Huron County Transfer Station. Mr. Adelman stated that this hearing is for modifying the rates at the transfer station. The 1st hearing was held last Thursday, February 18, 2010 and following this hearing we will have the last and 3rd hearing on Tuesday, March 2, 2010. Mr. Adelman stated we will take public comments and action of the board will be taken following all the hearings in regards to modifying the rates at the transfer station. Currently those rates are at \$58.25 per ton and also there is a minimal waste charge for 350 pounds or less for \$9.98. What is currently proposed by the board is to reduce the tipping fee to \$54.00 and the minimal waste charge of 350 pounds or less to \$9.45. Mr. Adelman stated that the board would take public comment from those that wish to speak. They will be sworn in and will be asked to state their name and address for the record. Again the board will hear the comments today and following all the hearings the board will review the comments that have been made and will make a decision following the 3rd hearing, no action will be taken today. Mr. Adelman asked Cheryl Nolan, administrator/clerk to state the purpose of the hearing. Ms. Nolan stated that the purpose of the hearing is to take public comment for and/or against modifying the rate for the transfer of waste at the Huron County Transfer Station. Mr. Adelman called once for testimony in favor of the modification of the rates at the Huron County Transfer Station hearing none called twice for testimony in favor of the modification of the rates at the Huron County Transfer Station, hearing none called thrice for testimony in favor of the modification of the rates at the Huron County Transfer Station, hearing none Mr. Adelman called once for testimony against the modification of the rates at the Huron County Transfer Station. Sue Lesch, Mayor City of Norwalk, took an oath and stated her name as Sue Lesch, Mayor of the city of Norwalk, and her address is 38 Whittlesey Avenue, Norwalk, Ohio 44857 and stated that she is not here to oppose to the reduction but is opposed to the dollar amount and that is what she wants to speak to today. Mayor Lesch stated that she understands that the county is in tough times as is everyone around the county. The mayor stated that she has four possible places of concern that she would like to share today. **County Savings**, by the commissioners own statements – you have a savings of over \$160,000 for 2010 in the lower tipping fees from Erie County. In addition in 2010 you state there is savings to the county of \$300,000 per year because the bonds are paid off. That is a total savings of \$12.77 per ton which should reduce today's tipping fee to \$45.98. We strongly feel this saving should be passed on to the entire county, the cities, the villages, the townships and maybe most importantly the County's businesses. **City's cost on our own** We ask "Is it in the best interest to continue to maintain a transfer station for the County when the tipping fees are so high?" For the City of Norwalk, we on our own could get a tipping fee rate of roughly \$25.50. The Solid Waste Management Plan calls for a \$5.00 designation fee if the transfer station closed. Combine that with the \$3.00 generation fee would be \$33.50 for Norwalk costs for combined tipping fees and landfill fees, which is far less than the proposed \$54.75. A \$21.25 difference or over \$106,000.00 per year you are asking the citizens of Norwalk to pay. Other cities, villages and businesses may see similar types of savings. If the County

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cannot operate the Transfer Station at a more cost-effective fee schedule, isn't it time to close it down and let the county's entities go out on their own? The \$8.00 per ton in county charges listed in the SWMD plan would be more than enough to cover EPA landfill maintenance costs. **Recent History of Transfer Station Cost.** Years 2004 to 2010 the County has marked up its tipping fees from 74% to 112% which is a 27% increase in fees. The average markup over the 7 years is 86%. Your current cost of \$25.50 times the average of 86% equals \$47.43. The 86% should be more than an adequate mark-up given the payment for the bonds is over. **Flow Control** The City continues to question whether the County continues to have flow control since the bonds are paid and there is no longer a functioning landfill. The Mayor stated that she is asking on behalf of the citizen of Norwalk of course, but especially our local businesses, which need to save every penny they can in these economic times, please reduce your tipping fees to the greatest extent possible. Mr. Adelman called twice for testimony against the modification of the rates at the Huron County Transfer Station, hearing none called thrice for testimony against the modification of the rates at the Huron County Transfer Station Hearing none the hearing was closed at 10:13 a.m.

At 10:30 a.m. Grant Gifford, Campbell Equipment came before the board in regards to an upgrade of the boilers at the Administration Building. Mr. Gifford stated that the boiler downstairs has been installed for awhile and in the last few years there has been a lot of technology that has come out that can really help you in fuel savings and generally a minimum of 25% in the fuel bill you can save by just upgrading your equipment. Mr. Gifford explained how the system would work and the savings that you would have. Mr. Adelman asked what he was recommending. Mr. Gifford explained that he had a fuel bill from December and stated that a conservative savings would \$5,136.00 per year. Mr. Welch asked if he was looking at replacing the current equipment or upgrading it. Mr. Gifford stated that this would be replacing the boiler.

Mr. Bauer asked for a ball park figure to change things over. Mr. Gifford stated it would be around \$20,000 to \$25,000. Royal Chisholm stated that right now he has a circulating pump in the repair shop, but what he is looking at is the fuel savings. Mr. Silcox asked what the preventative maintenance costs are. Mr. Gifford explained that the equipment takes about two hours and it is a matter of taking out the burner and blowing it out with air. The boilers are pretty smart and they tell you if there have been any failures and things that you need to look at. Mr. Gifford stated that they are probably by far the easiest equipment that he has had to work on. Mr. Silcox asked what his experience is at putting new boilers into old systems. Mr. Gifford stated that they do it all the time. The board agreed to look at this option.

At 10:30 a.m. Larry J. Silcox moved to enter into **Executive Sessions ORC 121.22 (G) (1)** to consider the appointment, **employment**, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual; **ORC 121.22 (G) (3)** a conference with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action; **ORC 121.22 (G) (4)** preparation for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions for public employees, concerning employee compensation or other terms and conditions of employment. Gary W. Bauer seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Mike Adelman
Aye – Gary W. Bauer
Aye – Larry J. Silcox

At 11:01 Gary W. Bauer moved to end Executive Sessions ORC 121.22 (G) (1); ORC 121.22 (G) (3) and ORC 121.22 (G) (4). Larry J. Silcox seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Mike Adelman
Aye – Gary W. Bauer
Aye – Larry J. Silcox

* no action taken.

At 11:02 a.m. regular session resumed. Sheriff Howard and Tammy Schaffer, Sheriff's department came before the board in regards to the vehicle that was wrecked and one that is high in mileage and are asking for two state patrol vehicles to replace these vehicles as the fleet is depleted. The accident was an at fault accident. This is the primary reason for being here today as his fleet is depleted. One cruiser has 225,000 miles on it and the other cruisers are in the upper 170,000 miles. Just as a reminder these guys and gals run hot to calls for the people. This money would go a long way to getting replacement vehicles which wouldn't be new cars but would be cars purchased from the state that have been turned in and would have

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around 100,000 miles on them, which would give us another few years on those cars. Mr. Adelman stated that the board has his correspondence on the money which is a little over \$15,000 and that he is requesting to purchase two vehicles. The amount would be \$15,000 to replace the wrecked vehicle and replace another vehicle that is not in good condition. The sheriff stated that the price of the vehicles would be between \$5,000 and \$6,000 and to have them striped and painted would be an added \$1,300 to have them painted and another \$400.00 or so to have them striped. Mr. Silcox asked if this figure included all of that. The sheriff stated that with two cars they could make all that happen and we would stay well within the \$15,000 and would have some money left over. Mr. Silcox asked if they would have enough for three. The sheriff stated no it would be just shy of it. The sheriff stated that it would be a few thousand more than \$15,000 to get three cars and have them striped and everything. Mr. Silcox asked how much more, and the sheriff stated it would be an estimate but it would be \$2,000 or \$2,500 more. Mr. Bauer asked if he could get three for under \$20,000 and the sheriff answered absolutely, and stated that we would be well under \$20,000 if we got three. Mr. Silcox stated that his recommendation would be to look for three. Mr. Silcox stated that he had talked with the mechanic recently about the cars and certainly we need to look at getting you back into shape because you are not now. Mr. Silcox stated that if we are looking at \$2,000 for a third car, we have the insurance payment and he would like to see if we can make that happen. The sheriff stated that they would get the board some hard numbers. Mr. Bauer stated that when he attends the CORSA meeting statewide they always spend a great deal of time on training and training the safety forces because on a statewide level the high end is what they pay out for law enforcement situations that come up and the next highest thing is vehicle accidents. Mr. Bauer stated that he understands that he has had CORSA in since he became sheriff. The sheriff stated that they have had 1623 hours of actual training in the last calendar year which is 27 times more training than they have had in the last 5 years. One of those classes was for all the deputies to have defensive driving training and is scheduled for this year again. This had never been done before. They met all the requirements necessary. Mr. Bauer stated that he really feels that this is important. The Sheriff would like a line item in the budget for training. Mr. Bauer asked what the procedure is when a deputy doesn't follow the training. The sheriff stated that he had the state patrol investigate the recent accident with an internal investigation that will also be conducted and once that is done the sheriff will decide what the action is. Mr. Bauer stated that we really need to be careful.

Larry J. Silcox moved to purchase three cruisers with the insurance money of \$15,000 and a supplement to that insurance money from the board. Gary W. Bauer seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Mike Adelman

Aye – Gary W. Bauer

Aye – Larry J. Silcox

Tammy Schaffer stated that in an effort to find ways to save more money discussed the health insurance bills that were received in 2008 and explained the process. The bills go to Emerald for coding and then are sent to Corvell and Corvell discounts it and sends it back to the sheriff with some sort of adjusted discount.

Corvell also charges the sheriff's office a commission which is 25% of whatever is saved. Mr. Silcox asked the question the payments that are made to Corvell on the sheets that he has is the payment only made on what Corvell saves us to Corvell because the sheet looks like it was a total of Emerald and Corvell. Mr. Bauer stated that he is not sure of the whole process of what Emerald does and what Corvell does. Mr. Bauer stated that he is hearing that we don't pay Emerald anything. Mr. Bauer asked what Emerald does and Ms. Schaffer stated that they assign medical codes to the bills and then they send it to Corvell. We normally get anywhere from a 10% discount up to 25%. We still get hit with a commission in the end from Corvell. Further discussion was had in this regard.

The sheriff discussed the jail food contract with Aramark, which meets their needs. Mr. Silcox asked if the sheriff was aware that Senior Enrichment wanted to bid on this service. The sheriff stated that the bid was let at the beginning of January and Mr. Bauer called his chief deputy last week and he said that was the first that he had heard of this. Your office handled the entire bid process and we did not receive any notes on that at all. We actually researched it to make sure that we didn't falter. The sheriff stated that on another note the department has opened their own face book page in an effort to communicate with the public in regards to broad updates and snow emergencies. The sheriff stated that he has been in discussion with area schools for SRO programs as there are grants available. Stated that he had spoken with a couple of schools last year and at that time they were not interested due to budget cuts but we are working toward it again and there are some grants with a small match. This is actually having an officer in the schools and feels that he may have two schools interested. We are doing the snow emergencies again as we have not been doing that for the last decade or so but it is a very functional way of keeping people safe. Spoke to the

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policing fund being used to pay for software managing the complaint software which is \$5,071 a year and would like to transfer that money within the policy fund to the general fund so that we would not have to use general fund monies.

At 11:28 the board recessed.

At 11:35 a.m. reviewing letter for the letter of support for airport to close the airport for Motorsports Park.

SIGNINGS

Ms. Stephanie Swann
Detroit Airport District Office
Metro Airport Center
11677 South Wayne Rd.
Suite 107
Romulus, MI 48174

Dear Ms. Swann:

We, the Board of Huron County Commissioners, are in full support of a temporary closure of the Norwalk-Huron County Airport. This closure would improve egress traffic flow from Summit Motorsports Park during their large events in 2010.

We assure you, the much needed funds received (reasonable compensation) for the use of the airport will remain with the airport. These funds will be used for the airport's operating expenses and/or improvements to the airport. In the past, both the airport and the county have struggled to come up with the matching funds for federal and state grants. This additional "boost" of income would enable the airport to be able to take advantage of the grants that become available. The airport initiated the closure discussion in pursuit of funding to help make the airport financially self-supporting and decided to contract with Summit Motorsports Park to allow egress through the airport property following some of their 2010 large scale events.

We, as commissioners, are challenged with the county's economic decline in revenue. These drag racing events strengthen Huron County's economy by attracting tens of thousands of visitors whose purchases increase Huron County's tax revenues. We realize the airport is a tremendous economic asset to the county, as is the drag strip, and we believe this closure would be a positive move for the airport, the county and Summit Motorsports Park.

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pc: Airport Authority Board
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At 11:48 Larry J. Silcox moved to adjourn. Gary W. Bauer seconded the motion. The meeting stood adjourned.

IN THE MATTER OF OPEN SESSION

The Huron County Commissioners hereby attest that all actions and deliberations of the Board legally required to be public were conducted in an open session on this date and that the foregoing minutes represent the official action of the Board.

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 February 23, 2010.

**REGULAR SESSION
IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNING**

TUESDAY

FEBRUARY 23, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

Signatures on File.