

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.

The following were also in attendance: Vickie Ziembra, Administrator/Clerk; Randal Strickler, Assistant Prosecutor; Roger Hunker, Lyme Township Trustee/APEX; Brad Mesenburg, Citizen; Richard Maret, Citizen; Patricia Didion, Citizen; Shylee Greszler, Norwalk Ohio News; Brian Gott, Norwalk Reflector; Susan Hazel, Clerk of Courts; Alex McCoy, HCDC.

At 9:05 a.m. Public comment. *Susan Hazel, Clerk of Courts.* Ms. Hazel had budgeted Title Funds to be put towards transfer if needed. After last week's meeting she would like to proceed with the transfer of these funds to allow them the option to use some of those funds, if they so choose, in support of the Victims Assistance program. She knows that once this money is transferred, it is at the discretion of the commissioners as to how it will be put to use. But as Clerk of Courts, they see the Victims' Assistance programs being put to use by the people.

23-283

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

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, as per Ohio Revised Code 305.10, a resolution must be made by the Board of Huron County Commissioners to accompany the Claims Schedule to the Huron County Auditor's Office for payment;
now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby approve the Claim Register Payment Batch #365354 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:**

- Electric bills are even more confusing.
- Damschroder Roofing bill. Mr. Wilde asked about this. This was not one they put on, so it was not a warranty issue. They repaired it. Mr. Brady noted it was one piece of fascia, for \$800+.
- More ES Consulting bills again for both Sheriff and jail.
- Another payment to Cleveland Communications for the new radios we just received. Mr. Boose did not understand why we constantly had payments to Cleveland Communications for radios we bought through them.
- Mr. Boose asked Ms. Ziembra to find out about the dog for which we received donation money to treat.
- Pg. 8, Ohio Electricity Litigation Repayment that was paid to the Commissioners. Mr. Boose talked to Ms. Minor about it. She said they were given the check in error, so they have to pay back the Commissioners. Mr. Strickler thought this had to do with the lawsuit against First Energy. The County is part of the class action suit.
- RMS. Random Moments Surveys. Mr. Boose said we received \$34,000 from the state because of our random moments surveys we did well on. Mr. Brady explained it was the ability of the state to check with Job and Family Services. They randomly check and see what they are doing and what they are accomplishing. The more they are doing/accomplishing at that particular moment the more money you get.
- Pg. 11 – out of county foster care. There is one in Columbus involving someone with special needs. Board of DD is paying 50%. He spoke with Ms. Smith and this is. Once again, it is a case of the state not stepping up.
- Pg. 13, paying for a “language line” for 9-1-1. Mr. Boose said he is always concerned when he sees new expenses for 9-1-1, as tight as that budget is.

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

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

Ms. Ziembra stated there were two payments held last week. The payment to North Coast Wireless was pulled and Mr. Riedy is working on that. The payment to Cleveland Communications was for the preventive maintenance due to the five tornados that went through the area. It was precautionary to make sure there was no damage.

Bruce Wilde moved to release the payment to Cleveland Communications in the amount of \$3,500.00. 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

Huron County
Claims Register for Payment Batches

Table with columns: Warrant Date, Claimant, Batch ID, PO #/Line #, Line Description, Amount, Warrant #. Includes entries for Department: Commissioners, Department: Data Processing, Department: Treasurer, Department: Adult Probation, Department: Juvenile, and Department: Inc.

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Claims Register for Payment Batches

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Claims Register for Payment Batches

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Claims Register for Payment Batches

Table with columns: Warrant Date, Claimant, PO #/Line #, Line Description, Amount, Warrant #. Includes entries for Department Public Assistance, Department Public Assistance Total, Department Child Support Enforcement, and various support and maintenance services.

Claims Register for Payment Batches

Warrant Date	Claimant	Batch ID	PO #/Line #	Line Description	Amount	Warrant #
09/14/2023	Department: 9-1-1 & Countywide Communications	365354	2023-000791	Language Line	\$26.56	
	Account 183.193.00225 (Contract Services) Total:				\$26.56	
	Department 9-1-1 & Countywide Communications Total:				\$26.56	
	Fund 193 - 9-1-1 & Countywide Communications Total:				\$26.56	
	Fund: 196 - Program Income					
	Department: Program Income					
09/14/2023	Great Lakes Community Action	365354	2023-004421	General Admin	\$2,813.00	
	Account 196.196.00280 (Home Grant Projects) Total:				\$2,813.00	
	Department Program Income Total:				\$2,813.00	
	Fund 196 - Program Income Total:				\$2,813.00	
	Fund: 525 - Solid Waste Management District					
	Department: Solid Waste Management District					
09/14/2023	Huron County Board of DD	365354	2023-002591	Toner for Printer	\$11.51	
	Account 525.525.00175 (Supplies) Total:				\$11.51	
09/14/2023	Huron County Transfer Station	365354	2023-002541	Composted Recyclables	\$5,724.25	
	Account 525.525.00250 (Recycling Programs) Total:				\$5,724.25	
	Department Solid Waste Management District Total:				\$5,835.76	
	Fund 525 - Solid Waste Management District Total:				\$5,835.76	
	Fund: 640 - Canine Trust Fund					
	Department: Canine Trust Fund					
09/14/2023	Tractor Supply Credit Plan	365354	2023-004271	Food for Ched	\$96.44	
	Account 640.640.00260 (Expenditures) Total:				\$96.44	
	Department Canine Trust Fund Total:				\$165.23	
	Fund 640 - Canine Trust Fund Total:				\$165.43	

Claims Register for Payment Batches

Warrant Date	Claimant	Batch ID	PO #/Line #	Line Description	Amount	Warrant #
	Grand Total:				\$252,063.30	
	Sign 1 <i>Mary Brady</i>					
	Sign 2 <i>Tubby Perez</i>					
	Sign 3 <i>Bruce Wilde</i>					

Claims Register for Payment Batches

Warrant Date	Claimant	Batch ID	PO #/Line #	Line Description	Amount	Warrant #
09/14/2023	Department: Concealed Weapons	365354	2023-004141	August COV fees	\$972.25	
	Account 135.135.00475 (Other Expenses) Total:				\$972.25	
	Department Concealed Weapons Total:				\$972.25	
	Fund 135 - Concealed Carried Weapons Total:				\$972.25	
	Fund: 137 - DYS Subsidy					
	Department: DYS Subsidy					
2023-004591	Fuel for PO Vehicle August 2023	365354	2023-004591		\$46.39	
2023-004591	Agency PO Vehicle Maintenance/Lease	365354	2023-004591		\$349.85	
	Account 137.137.00475 (Other Expenses) Total:				\$396.24	
	Department DYS Subsidy Total:				\$434.94	
	Fund 137 - DYS Subsidy Total:				\$434.94	
	Fund: 143 - National Webcheck					
	Department: National Webcheck					
09/14/2023	Treasurer State of Ohio	365354	2023-001819	August Webcheck fees	\$4,458.75	
	Account 143.143.00475 (Other Expenses) Total:				\$4,458.75	
	Department National Webcheck Total:				\$4,458.75	
	Fund 143 - National Webcheck Total:				\$4,458.75	
	Fund: 145 - Childrens Services					
	Department: Childrens Services					
2023-002591	Childrens Services Board	365354	2023-002591		\$1,239.50	
2023-002591	West Chester-Chester-Spartanburg-Aug	365354	2023-002591		\$400.00	
2023-002591	ESAA Preservation-Croceus-Mittal Family	365354	2023-002591		\$200.00	
2023-002591	ESAA Reunification-Croceus-Holland Family	365354	2023-002591		\$200.00	
2023-002591	ESAA Reunification-Croceus-Neasmeier Family	365354	2023-002591		\$28.56	
2023-002591	ESAA Reunification-Croceus-Jones Family	365354	2023-002591		\$150.00	
	Account 145.145.00150 (Contract Services) Total:				\$7,688.41	
	Department Childrens Services Total:				\$7,688.41	
	Fund 145 - Childrens Services Total:				\$7,688.41	
	Fund: 177 - Emergency Management					
	Department: Emergency Management					
2023-000791	Shells	365354	2023-000791		\$359.98	
	Account 177.177.00260 (Equipment) Total:				\$359.98	
	Department Emergency Management Total:				\$359.98	
	Fund 177 - Emergency Management Total:				\$359.98	
	Fund: 185 - 911					
	Department: 911					
09/14/2023	Teleo LLC	365354	2023-000791	Mail Fees	\$1,837.50	
	Account 185.185.00525 (Maintenance) Total:				\$1,837.50	
	Department 911 Total:				\$1,837.50	
	Fund 185 - 911 Total:				\$1,837.50	
	Fund: 186 - Commercial Building Department					
	Department: Commercial Building Department					
09/14/2023	Treasurer State of Ohio/BS	365354	2023-001621	Boards of Building Standard Fees	\$297.42	
	Account 186.186.00225 (State Fees) Total:				\$297.42	
09/14/2023	Commercial Building Department	365354	2023-001641	Payment into General Fund/Building Permits	\$525.09	
	Account 186.186.00480 (Administration Fees) Total:				\$525.09	
	Department Commercial Building Department Total:				\$9,682.29	
	Fund 186 - Commercial Building Department Total:				\$10,811.40	
	Fund: 190 - Comprehensive Housing					
	Department: Comprehensive Housing					
2023-001601	General Admin	365354	2023-001601		\$4,634.00	
	Account 190.190.00525 (Contract Services(A)) Total:				\$4,634.00	
	Department Comprehensive Housing Total:				\$4,634.00	
	Fund 190 - Comprehensive Housing Total:				\$4,634.00	
	Fund: 190 - Comprehensive Housing					
	Department: Comprehensive Housing					
2023-001621	818 Spawgler St. 6-C-21-1B1-1	365354	2023-001621		\$1,094.00	
	Account 190.190.00610 (Home Repair) Total:				\$1,094.00	
	Department Comprehensive Housing Total:				\$39,728.00	
	Fund 190 - Comprehensive Housing Total:				\$39,728.00	

23-284

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING REQUEST FOR PAYMENT AND STATUS OF FUNDS REQUEST FOR THE HURON COUNTY COMMUNITY HOUSING IMPACT AND PRESERVATION PROGRAM (CHIP) B-C-21-1BJ-1 (DRAW #18) SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD SEPTEMBER 12, 2023

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

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

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves of the requests for payment and status of funds request as attached herein and certifies that the data reported is correct and that the amount of the Request for Payments is not in excess of current needs; and further

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

Terry Boose seconded the motion.

*Discussion: Ms. Ziembra stated this is for a home rehab in Norwalk in the amount of \$46,757.00.

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

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

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

Submit to: Development Services Agency Office of Community Development P.O. Box 1001 Columbus, Ohio 43216-1001		Name and Address of Grantee: Huron County Commissioners 180 Milan Ave Norwalk, Ohio 44857		OHIO E.S. RFP Balance: OHIO Housing P.J. Balance: Home Program Income Balance:			
Contact Person Information Name: Shari Zibert Phone number: (419) 332-4120 Email: sazierb@dcap.org		Grant Number: B-C-21-1BJ-1		Date: Voucher#:			
		Draw Number: 18		Warrant#			
Project NBR	Project Name	Activity NBR	Activity Name	Housing Site Address (if applicable)	Amount Requested	Approved Activity/Site Budget (\$)	Balance of Activity/Site Budget (\$)
1	Rehabilitation Assistance	1	Private Rehabilitation	22 Park Ave, Norwalk	46757.00	57474.00	3359.00
Program Total					46,757.00		
Total Amount of this Draw:					46757.00	57474.00	3359.00
Certification of Itemization of Expenditures: Two Authorized Signatures are Required I certify that this request for Payment was drawn in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Grant Agreement(s) cited and that the amount drawn is proper for payment to the drawer's depository. I also certify that the data reported above is correct and the amount of the request for Payment is not in excess of current needs.							
Date: 9/12/23		Signature: Harry Brady		Title: PRESIDENT			
Date: 9/12/23		Signature: Terry Boose		Title: Vice-President			
State Use Only: Approved:							

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IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE HURON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND MARETT SNOW REMOVAL, INC. FOR 2023-2024 SNOW REMOVAL

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Pete Welch, Director of Operations, recommends contracting for snow removal at the Huron County Facilities; and

WHEREAS, Marett Snow Removal, Inc. has expressed interest in providing snow removal/plowing for the County; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves the Facilities Snow Removal Agreement with Marett Snow Removal, Inc. for the 2023-2024 winter season, as attached hereto and expressly incorporated by reference herein; and further

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

Terry Boose seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** The Board thanked Mr. Marett for his service.

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

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

**Agreement on file*

23-286

IN THE MATTER OF SELLING A USED 2020 CHEVROLET SILVERADO 2500 4WD CREW CAB TRUCK TO THE HURON COUNTY ENGINEER AND APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF A 2024 CHEVROLET SILVERADO 2500 4WD CREW CAB TRUCK FOR THE AUDITOR’S OFFICE

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Huron County Engineer is in need of a vehicle and has the funds available in Fund #125; and

WHEREAS, the Huron County Auditor’s office has proposed selling the current used 2020 Chevrolet Silverado 2500 4WD (39,000 miles) purchased from funds in the Real Estate Assessment Fund #120 to be sold to the Huron County Engineer paid from Fund #125 for \$25,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Auditor has obtained a quote for a new 2024 Chevrolet Silverado 2500 4WD crew cab truck in the amount of \$47,904.00 which includes title fees from Sharpnack Chevrolet in Willard; and

WHEREAS, the Auditor has requested that the Board of Huron County Commissioners approve the sale of the 2020 Chevrolet Silverado 2500 4WD to the Huron County Engineer for \$25,000.00 paid to REA Fund #120 and approve the purchase of a new 2024 Chevrolet Silverado 2500 4WD crew cab truck in the amount of \$47,904.00 to be paid from funds appropriated in the Real Estate Assessment Fund #120; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners approve of the sale of the 2020 Chevrolet Silverado 2500 4WD crew cab truck in the amount of \$25,000.00 paid by the Huron County Engineer Fund #125 to REA Fund #120 and approve the purchase of a new 2024 Chevrolet Silverado 2500 4WD crew cab truck in the amount of \$47,904.00 to be paid from funds appropriated in the Real Estate Assessment Fund #120; 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 is in favor of the Engineer purchasing the truck but not the Auditor purchasing a new truck of this size. Mr. Boose felt if the last one was a lot bigger than what the commissioners need he doesn’t understand why the Auditors needs such a large, expensive vehicle.

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

No – Terry Boose
Aye – Harry Brady
Aye – Bruce Wilde

23-287

IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM THE TITLE FUND #132 TO GENERAL FUND

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Susan Hazel, Clerk of Courts, has requested a transfer of \$25,000.00 from the Title Fund #132 transfer out 132-00600-132 to the General Fund 001-099-10500 transfer in; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Huron County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the transfer of \$25,000.00 from the Title Fund #132-00600-132 transfer out to the General Fund 001-099-10500 transfer in; 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 money was part of the budget. Ms. Ziemba stated it is a part of the Budget Commissions estimate and allocated in the final budget.

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

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

At 9:30 a.m. OneDigital/Battles/CEBCO Ashley Grisez from One Digital, Perry Dryden with Battles Insurance, and Lara Hozalski, HR.

Mr. Boose asked if this decision was due today. Ms. Grisez stated that they were hoping to make a decision today, but CEBCO may be willing to give us a little more time if needed. Mr. Brady noted he would be out next Tuesday and it could be several weeks before they have a full board.

Ms. Hozalski said that we are aware we had a bad plan year and when we got the renewal back we were at a 11.8% increase. Ms. Grisez will review some items we could potentially do to decrease the burden on our employees.

Ms. Grisez reviewed some of the benchmarks. She reviewed the monthly medical premiums for each of the plans and broke them out by what the county paid and what the employee paid. Huron County has maintained the benchmark amount, allowing the savings to go to the employees.

Ms. Grisez reviewed the deductibles and co-pay amounts compared to other counties as well. She noted that Huron County contributes to the employee HSA accounts, since it is a larger deductible. Mr. Boose said the reason they did this was to incentivize the employees to choose this plan. Mr. Brady discussed his experience with the HSA plan last year.

Ms. Grisez then reviewed the renewal. The HSA plan minimum deductible was raised the \$3,200 by the IRS for next year. Our plan renewal increase will be 11.8% for 2024 if we make no plan changes.

Ms. Grisez mentioned an option to reduce the increase would be to use the reserve account which the county had before they went to CEBCO, when we were self-funded. We would not need these funds now that we are with CEBCO. She would not recommend spending all of this reserve because we do not know what will happen in the future, but right now as she understands we are comfortable with CEBCO and do not foresee changing it. They suggest pulling out \$200,000 from the reserves and applying it to decrease the renewal, which would bring it from an 11.8% increase to a 6.3% increase. This would leave 30% of the premium in the reserve balance. This is just a suggestion, we do not need to use any of it.

Mr. Boose noted that currently the county is paying 90% of the plan premium and the employee is paying 10%.

Ms. Grisez suggests that since the HSA plan has a mandatory increase to the deductible, we should implement a slight increase to the PPO plan deductible from \$750 to \$1,000. Because CEBCO only has cookie cutter

plan options this plan would change two co-pays. It would change the primary care physician copay from \$25.00 to \$30.00 and the specialty physician co-pay from \$50.00 to \$60.00. If we make just the plan changes it would take our total increase down to 10.5% increase, without using any of the reserve funds. If we use the \$200,000 from the reserves, then the increase would go down to a 5.12% increase.

Mr. Boose wanted to clarify that, if they did the \$200,000 buydown, it would go toward the insurance for all the employees, not just the general fund employees. Ms. Grisez said it would go to all employees, straight off the premium.

Ms. Grisez did a contribution analysis for four quadrants. She prepared one for no plan changes without the buydown and no plan changes with the buydown. She also did an analysis with plan changes, without the buydown and with the buydown.

Mr. Brady prefers the plan which had changes and would use the buydown. Mr. Boose would like to keep the plan the same, but use the buydown. They discussed that our premiums are not going up very much compared to other insurances.

Mr. Brady noted that the difference they were talking in the premiums was minimal. But his concern was for the average employee in the county – he did not want to see them get stuck with a large increase. He was okay with keeping the same plan and doing the buydown. Mr. Boose said that reserve money, in his opinion, was the employee’s money. They paid in, just as the county did. If people wonder why they were doing the buydown, it was because the employees have done a great job keeping the rates down. We didn’t have a great year, but health care has also gone up quite a bit. He felt the time was right for us to use some of that money.

SERB Comparison

Benchmark Statistics Report
prepared for Huron County
(2023 SERB)

Percentage of Plan Types by County

County	PPO	HDP
Countries	53.3%	39.7%

Average Monthly Employer & Employee Contributions (Excludes Medical Premium)

County	Single		Family	
	ER Share	EE Share	ER Share	EE Share
Countries SDC - 149,999 - PPO Plan	\$101.53	\$119.73	\$133.55	\$129.79
Huron County - 23 PPO Plan Funding	\$67.50	\$52.54	\$70.44	\$147.46
Countries SDC - 149,999 - HSA Plan	\$146.41	\$93.82	\$79.35	\$1,453.22
Huron County - 23 HSA Plan Funding	\$618.11	\$47.01	\$665.12	\$1,138.35

Statewide Average Annual Cost Per Year

County	Single		Family	
	ER Share	EE Share	ER Share	EE Share
Statewide Self Insured	\$5,815	\$25,573	-	-
Huron County - 23 PPO Plan Funding	\$5,545	\$13,839	-	-
Huron County - 23 HSA Plan Funding	\$2,588	\$17,557	-	-

Deductible Categories for Single In-Network Medical Coverage

Single Deductible	0	\$1 - \$124	\$125 - \$499	\$500 - \$1,399	\$1,400+
%	5.0%	5.3%	40.0%	47.0%	0.5%

Deductible Categories for Family In-Network Medical Coverage

Family Deductible	0	\$1 - \$249	\$250 - \$999	\$1,000 - \$2,799	\$2,800+
%	5.0%	5.8%	38.8%	49.0%	0.6%

Co-Insurance Categories for In-Network Medical Coverage

ER's Co-Insurance %	0%	1 - 10%	11 - 19%	20%	>20%
Countries	18.2%	2.5%	20%	17.3%	-

Average In-Network Out-of-Pocket Maximums

County	Single		Family	
	Average	Maximum	Average	Maximum
Countries	\$3,372	\$10,000	\$5,690	\$10,000
Huron County	\$1,551	\$1,000	\$7,000	\$5,000

Average Medical Copay & Coinsurance Amounts

County	Office Visit		Urgent Care		Emergency Room		Urgent Care	
	Office Visit	Emergency Room	Urgent Care	Visit	Emergency Room	Urgent Care	Emergency Room	Urgent Care
Statewide	\$17.71	\$17.94	\$7.02	11.0%	11.1%	13.1%	13.0%	13.0%
Huron County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Average Prescription Retail Copays/Coinsurance

County	Copay			Coinsurance		
	Generic	Formulary	Non-Formulary	Generic	Formulary	Non-Formulary
Statewide	\$3.92	\$28.06	\$47.89	13.3%	15.1%	14.5%
Huron County	-	-	-	-	-	-

Health Savings Accounts Average Annual Employer Contribution Amount

County	Balance	Balance	New HSA
Countries	1,100	1,100	1,100
Huron County	1,100	1,100	1,100

HSA Employer Contribution By Category - Single

HSA Employer Contribution By Category - Family

Statistics obtain from SERB Survey Ohio's Public Sector 2023

Huron County

2. Current - Renewal w/ Buy-Down Option

2023

PLAN 1 Anthem \$700 Deductible Plan
PLAN 2 Anthem HSA \$1,000 Deductible Plan

PLAN COST	Current Contribution Strategy			Buy-Down Option		
	Total Premium	Employee Contribution	Employer Contribution	Total Premium	Employee Contribution	Employer Contribution
Employee	\$720.44	\$72.04	100%	\$665.12	\$66.51	100%
Employee/Spouse	\$1,887.16	\$188.72	100%	\$1,465.16	\$146.52	100%
Employee/Children	\$1,294.62	\$129.46	100%	\$1,145.18	\$114.52	100%
Family	\$2,161.24	\$216.12	100%	\$1,945.21	\$194.54	100%

2024

PLAN 1 Anthem \$700 Deductible Plan
PLAN 2 Anthem HSA \$1,000 Deductible Plan

PLAN COST	Option 2a			Option 2b		
	Total Premium	Employee Contribution	Employer Contribution	Total Premium	Employee Contribution	Employer Contribution
Employee	\$764.80	\$76.48	100%	\$702.96	\$70.30	100%
Employee/Spouse	\$1,872.84	\$187.28	100%	\$1,536.44	\$153.64	100%
Employee/Children	\$1,386.44	\$138.64	100%	\$1,275.30	\$127.53	100%
Family	\$2,306.65	\$230.67	100%	\$2,121.09	\$212.11	100%

Bruce Wilde moved to approve going with Option 2A presented by OneDigital. 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

23-288

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTS WITHIN THE HEALTH INSURANCE FUND

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, there is a need for appropriation adjustments; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners finds the request to be reasonable; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves the following appropriation adjustments:

FROM:	Dept	Account	Fund	Amount	TO:	Dept.	Account	Fund	Amount
	560	00500	560	\$11,180.00		560	00260	560	\$11,180.00
	Health Insurance CEBCO					Health Insurance Expenditures			

and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Huron County Auditor is authorized and instructed to record said appropriation adjustment as approved; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board is instructed to certify a copy of this resolution to the Huron County Auditor and the department requesting said adjustment; 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 this is for the OneDigital contract. The contract price increased last November and has a 3% yearly increase. The increase was not accounted for in the final budget.

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

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

23-289

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA) FY 2023 AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GRANT AGREEMENT (GRANT #3-39-0062-016-2023)

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Airport Authority Board & Huron County Commissioners prepared and submitted a grant application to the FAA on April 20, 2023, Resolution 23-154, for the Runway, Taxiway, Apron Crack Sealing and Pavement Marking Project at the Huron County Airport; and

WHEREAS, the Airport Authority Board & Huron County Commissioners have been awarded \$132,778.00 by the Federal Aviation Administration Airport Improvement Program for the above listed Project; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves the Federal Aviation Administration FY 2023 Airport Improvement Program (AIP) Grant Agreement (GRANT #3-39-0062-016-2023) as attached hereto and expressly incorporated by reference herein; and further

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

Terry Boose seconded the motion.

*Discussion: Mr. Boose asked if there was a match. Ms. Ziemba told him it is referenced in Resolution 23-154, which says the airport is responsible for the match. Mr. Boose wanted it clear there was no match coming from the general fund. He asked when we received the paperwork; he is forever upset at airport issues that come to them at the last minute. Mr. Wilde said it went to his email last Friday. Mr. Brady noted they had already given approval for the airport to go out for this grant. Mr. Boose said he was all for the airport getting grants, with no match from the general fund. He was not for getting something of this size to approve the Thursday or Friday before the meeting. Therefore, he will be voting no.

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

No – Terry Boose
Aye – Harry Brady
Aye – Bruce Wilde

**Agreement on file*

23-SWMD-003

IN THE MATTER OF THE HURON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ACTING AS THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HURON COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT DENYING WAIVER REQUEST FROM REPUBLIC SERVICES.

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 343.01(I)(2) and 343.013 of the Ohio Revised Code, and Rule 15-1 of the Huron County Solid Waste Management District, all solid waste generated within the District must be delivered to the Huron County Transfer Station unless a waiver is granted by the Huron County Commissioners pursuant to District Rule 15-2; and

WHEREAS, on August 15, 2023, the Board received a written request from Republic Services. (Republic) 4005 Tiffin Ave., Sandusky, Ohio on behalf of American Excelsior 180 Cleveland Ave., Norwalk, Ohio for a waiver from District Rule 15-1; and

WHEREAS, the information submitted by Republic Services in support of the waiver request is that it assumed the American Excelsior account from another hauler to collect approximately 120 tons of foam type waste (solid waste) generated annually in Norwalk, Ohio, which the prior hauler collected in an open top box it delivered to the Huron County Transfer Station, and Republic Services proposes to collect the waste using a compactor box that is not compatible with the regular unloading process at the Transfer Station and therefore desires to deliver said waste to the Erie County Landfill; and

WHEREAS, under District Rule 15-2, the Board may grant a waiver request if: (a) the waiver is not inconsistent with the projections contained in the District’s solid waste management plan; (b) the waiver will not adversely affect the implementation and financing of the plan, and (c) the parties requesting the waiver enter into a waiver agreement with the Board setting forth the terms and conditions of the waiver; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that granting the requested waiver will adversely affect the implementation and financing of the plan by establishing a precedent that haulers may exempt themselves from the District’s designation rule by using collection equipment that is not compatible with regular operating procedures at the Huron County Transfer Station even though the hauler has the ability to use compatible collection equipment to handle the waste.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; this Board adopts and incorporates the recitals stated above and denies the above-described waiver request submitted by Republic Services because said waiver will adversely affect the implementation and financing of the District’s solid waste management plan.

BE IT FURTHER 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 felt the easiest way to explain this is that the SWMD has not changed the way it operates, but the way the materials are being brought in has changed. Mr. Boose noted that voting yes on this resolution denies this request.

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

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

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

- Alixandra Siemer, Stephanie Upton, Renee King & Jacob Bruder, JFS, to Columbus, Ohio for CFIS (Fiscal and Workforce Training) on October 2 – 3, 2023.
- Nicole Cross & Erin Whipple, JFS, to Westerville, Ohio for Ohio Children’s Alliance Conference on October 17 – 18, 2023.

SIGNINGS – none**OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS****Administrator/Clerk updates:**

- Ms. Ziamba stated we received a request from the OGT - Ohio Channel. They are producing a video series on Ohio County Courthouses and would like to make a video of the Huron County Courthouse. They noted the videos are usually about 5 to 9 minutes once produced. They want to interview local judges and historians, or anyone with historical knowledge of the building. It will air on their channel and be housed on their website. Mr. Boose thought the judges should be informed if we do this. Mr. Brady was concerned the judges might not want to be interviewed. Mr. Boose thought that a response should say the Commissioners and the Judges probably don’t have the historical knowledge they are looking for, but there could be other people in the community that do. If they find that, they can go ahead. Mr. Boose did not want to make it a big project for our office since we are short-staffed, although he thought it would be great P.R. for the county. Mr. Brady suggested sending an email to the Judges letting them know this was a possibility and get their input.
- New London antenna equipment agreement. Mr. Strickler stated that he just received a copy of the current agreement, but it was not electronic. He will need to have it re-typed so that he can make the necessary adjustments to it and get it back to their law director.
- Mr. Boose said they had viewed the S. Norwalk Road facility and have a better definition of the space that Firelands Local is going to use.
 - Loading dock – Firelands Local would use this 95% of the time. We would only need to use it when we receive paper deliveries, usually only once a year.
 - The building by the dock, or the “back building”, needs to be added to the square footage.
 - They would like to use 10 – 12 parking spaces of the 32.
 - Will need to make decisions about whether we need to increase the parking area. Mr. Brady clarified that they may need to add more asphalt. This would be another cost to us.
 - We have not received any rental payments yet. Mr. Strickler stated he told DD to forward the rent payments to us. It was his understanding that the rent payments would continue to us until we redid the lease.
 - Firelands Local thought they had until the end of the year to consolidate their items into one area. Mr. Boose felt if we are going to remodel, then we need access to that space sooner.
 - Mr. Brady stated that the ODOT grants were submitted. Discussed HVAC at the building and possible Brownfield remediation.
 - Mr. Strickler asked if we would like them to have all of their items consolidated by a certain date. We would like them to be consolidate by October 31, but not if they aren’t ready.
 - Discussion regarding the ODOT grant. Mr. Boose said he hadn’t seen anything to know what the grant was. Mr. Brady said he hadn’t seen it either, but the numbers that went out included a new chiller, a new heating system, flooring, ceilings – a general remodel of the building. He noted ODOT may or may not give us any money. He wants to try to talk to them next week at the OPTA conference about getting emergency grant money to do repair work. He is hoping to have an answer by next Tuesday.

Commissioner Wilde update:

- CORSA Human Resource training tomorrow at 9 a.m. This is required.
- Trauma Informed Community tomorrow.
- Thursday HCDC meeting.
- Mr. Boose noted there was a Region 19 tomorrow at LCCC.
- Township dinner Thursday evening.
- Firefighters meeting tomorrow.

Commissioner Brady update:

- CORSA meeting last Friday. New appointee from Washington County. No major issues, but like everything else costs are going up. Big thing was law enforcement – there are a lot of costs for law enforcement and vehicles. Also a struggle getting corrections officers. Mr. Boose reminded them insurance rates are based on the number of sheriff deputies we have. Every time we hire another sheriff deputy the price of CORSA goes up.
- Spent an hour with One Digital and Mr. Dryden yesterday going over CEBCO numbers.
- Energy Executive Committee tomorrow. Will be discussing electric aggregation issues. Current rates for residential is about 4.7 cents/kilowatt hour.
- Plans to attend Firefighters meeting tomorrow night.
- Thursday morning will attend HCDC.
- Invite from Attorney General's office for Thursday evening.
- TIC meeting Friday at 10:00 a.m.
- Virtual meeting with CEBCO at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, then he will be heading to Columbus for the OPTA conference. He will not be at next Tuesday's meeting.

Commissioner Boose update:

- Firelands Forward meeting is Monday. It is usually the first Wednesday of the month.
- CCAO webinar that day regarding Department of Development grant money for Lead Free, Brownfield and Demolition.
- Mr. Boose will be at the Thursday meeting next week, but is going to Columbus for the CCAO retreat Thursday afternoon.
- Health Care. When we use the extra \$200,000, the assumption was it will cover all employees, not just General Fund employees. This may take some time to figure out with the Auditor's office – how those payments are going to go, how do we put money in there, how do we use money out of there. We want to make sure in the interim budget we appropriate some of the money already in there for part of the payments for the health insurance. It is going to be very complicated. That is something that needs to be addressed for interim budget January 1. Ms. Ziemba said she would talk to Ms. Horvatic. He thought about \$100,000/month is special funds and \$164,000 is general fund.
- Western Reserve School Resource Officer. Mr. Brady pointed out that, after having a lengthy discussion with the Sheriff's office about recouping costs incurred for school resource officers, the insurance was not included in the Western Reserve contract. An email was sent requesting insurance be included, and the response back from the Sheriff was no, it was only talked about with Norwalk. Mr. Wilde said he sat in a room with Chief Deputy Ditz and Ms. Newton and went over the benefits. He told them we want the insurance in there. Ms. Newton said no, I am not going to do that. Mr. Wilde said they were aware, the Sheriff may not have been in that meeting, but they were aware. Mr. Brady said this is a huge expense born by the general fund if it is not recouped from the school. He does not have an issue with any of the schools in this county, but if you are going to request a school resource officer there are certain costs that are attached to that. These are just the costs of doing business. We are not nickel and diming. We have the cost of cruisers, gas, maintenance, and we are not asking for that at this time. But health insurance was discussed and it was discussed in such a way that we want the agreements to be standard. Mr. Boose said he talked to a school board member in the middle of summer and let them know that the Commissioners thought that should be part of it. This isn't a total surprise to them. Mr. Wilde suggested the possibility of having the school pay the health insurance directly to the county.
 - The second thing is, we gave the school notice that we needed to sign the contract; we have not signed the contract. As far as Mr. Boose was concerned, there was no official contract between the school and the county. Mr. Brady wanted to make it clear that it was not that we didn't want to sign it, we never got one to sign. Mr. Boose said he didn't know if we ever would have gotten one if we hadn't asked for it. Mr. Wilde asked if we knew the amount of insurance for that individual. Mr. Brady said he did not know, but the plan for a married couple under the PPO was about \$23,000. Norwalk was about \$17,000. It starts adding up to a lot of money.
 - Mr. Boose said the other thing in the contract is that we need to make sure that, if health insurance goes up, the amount the school pays goes up. We all know health insurance is going up January 1.
 - The contract also states that at any time the board and the sheriff can sit down and renegotiate hours and services. Mr. Boose thought the commissioners should be included in that as well. If Western Reserve decides they only want half as much time, then it is going to increase our General Fund budget because we have that person hired. He thought they should be part of that discussion. He thought we should send an email to the schools and the sheriff saying they don't have a legal contract and it needs to be discussed with the commissioners.

Mr. Boose said they had received notice about an auto accident from the Engineer's office. He had a concern. We pay our CORSA premiums. The accident was to a 2012 Chevy Silverado - one of their trucks backed into another one of their trucks, causing damage to the driver's door. The claim for the door was \$3,724.88. Mr. Boose asked if it was worth it to do the claim to CORSA for the extra \$1,200 above the \$2,500 deductible. Mr. Brady did not think it was worth it. Mr. Boose asked if they had any say in it. Mr. Brady did not think they did, Mr. Strickler was not sure. Mr. Boose thought they might want to have a discussion with their department heads that we need to make sure it makes sense as to what kind of claims we are sending our insurance. Mr. Strickler said the other problem is liability and casualty insurance look at your claim history and your claim experience. Mr. Boose told Ms. Ziemba that they should talk to Ms. Hozalski about when something like this comes across her desk. Ms. Ziemba did not know if Ms. Hozalski made a judgment call or just submits what is sent to her.

District 9 Natural Resource Assistance Council of the Clean Ohio Program scoring meeting on Friday, September 29 at Lorain County Metroparks. Mr. Boose asked Ms. Crable to contact the engineer's office and see if they were planning to attend. Mr. Tansey is the voting member. Mr. Boose said the last time he attended one of those he could not vote on anything.

CCAO sent out information saying AFLAC has been added to county benefits. We already have AFLAC locally and Mr. Boose would prefer to stay local.

CCAO will be having regional meetings to go over the budget. The one for the Northeast Region is October 10 in Ravenna.

Northwest Ohio has a district meeting set. This will be held in Archbold.

Mr. Boose acknowledged that this was probably the tenth time he had asked, but he would like Ms. Ziemba to follow up with Public Defender's office to make sure they have filled out the projected indigent defense survey.

9-1-1 Regional briefing regarding Next Gen funding and how that funding is going to be handed out. Mr. Boose wanted to make sure our 9-1-1 Coordinator attends, as well as inviting the PSAP directors. This will be held on Tuesday, October 17.

FEMA Disaster Relief Fund is low on funds.

Mr. Boose said we now have Accessible Ohio Specialists available to meet with us. "The Accessible Ohio Initiative to Ohioans with Disabilities creates the first ever coordinated effort in Ohio to support Ohio's cities, counties, state agencies, attractions and venues to be accessible and inclusive for all Ohioans." Mr. Boose thought all Ohioans should be included. But do we need to add another level of government?

Webinar on September 15 on levy and bond campaign guidance. Mr. Boose thought this was important for at least the new 9-1-1 Coordinator to be part of. Mr. Stevens may want to attend as well. Mr. Mead has already attended or read the information.

New round of body worn camera grants announced. Mr. Boose wanted to make sure the Sheriff was aware of this. He thought we had just bought quite a few of these within the last few months. There is a webinar on this tomorrow.

Notice from Kristen Cardone. New London Local Schools will be hosting an open house for New London Community Outreach Center on Wednesday, September 27 from 11:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. The community center will serve as the homesite for Huron County's first Boys and Girls Club under the Boys and Girls Club of Ohio Northeast Chapter. Mr. Boose said this helps parents with child care.

Webinar on September 18 for grant programs that will be administered by the Department of Development, including new rounds of Brownfield Remediation Program and Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program. Mr. Boose thought it was important for our office to attend this, even though he assumed we were letting the Land Bank do all the grant filings.

Statehouse Report added an "Issue Spotlight" section. They have spotlighted Next Gen 9-1-1. It looks like we are getting considerably more money - three times what we are currently getting. Although the math doesn't seem to work. User fee is going up 70%, yet we are supposed to be getting triple the amount we were before. To make it even more confusing, we are getting less of a percentage than we were before, but we are supposed to get more money. That was the good news. The bad news was, the 40 cents doesn't start until January 1. State will be taking more money away from us - counties will be receiving less revenue from October through February than what they are getting now.

REGULAR SESSION

TUESDAY

SEPTEMBER 12, 2023

At 11:54 a.m. Steve Minor, Buildings & Grounds Supervisor. Mr. Minor said the concrete behind the Courthouse was done. The ends toward the wall are poured; he was planning on putting rock there. He asked if it was alright to use the rock from the jail roof? Mr. Boose thought that was a great idea. He said to let the Sheriff know he was going to do that.

At 11:56 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 September 12, 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 11:56 a.m.

Signatures on File