

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 Ziemba, Administrator/Clerk; Randal Strickler, Assistant Prosecutor; Lee Tansey, Engineer; Roger Hunker, Lyme Township Trustee/APEX; Brad Mesenburg, Citizen; Patricia Didion, Citizen; Jeff Colvin, Citizen; Rich Marett, Citizen; Scott Sparks, Airport Board; Mary Habig, SCAT; Ben Kenny, Citizen; Cecelia Blevins, Board of Elections; Ben Kline, Board of Elections; Shylee Greszler, Norwalk Ohio News.

At 9:05 a.m. Public comment:

Roger Hunker, Lyme Township Trustee. Mr. Hunker provided an update on the Bellevue Fire contract. They have not gotten any further with the City. An emergency meeting was held on Thursday night. He was not able to attend, but the other two trustees signed the agreement with the understanding that, right after the first of the year, they will get all three townships and legal counsel together to work through it. Mr. Stephens is still indicating that what they have is not legal; their lawyer says it is.

Roger Hunker, Apex update. Mr. Boose wanted to note we had received answers from Apex. Mr. Hunker said they had gotten that to the county and were working on setting up a meeting. He also wanted to mention they are working on a solar project in Erie County. It is under construction and he invited the commissioners to come out and take a look at it. It is on Route 269 north of Bellevue.

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 305.14 the Record of the Proceedings of the November 14, 2023 meeting(s) were presented to the Board. Bruce Wilde made the motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the November 14, 2023 meeting(s) and approve as presented. Terry Boose seconded the motion. Voting was as follows:

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

At 9:15 a.m. Mary Habig, SCAT. Mr. Brady explained that something Ms. Habig said the last time she was in could have potentially been misconstrued. He had asked her to come back in to provide clarification. Ms. Habig explained they are 5311/public transportation. When she said more funding was coming to Huron County, she was talking about transportation funding. When she said that opens doors for Senior Enrichment to get 5310 operating funds, she meant transportation operating funding. It has nothing to do with any other operating funds for the senior center. They are going to need the levy, they are going to need funding. She wanted to make it clear she was not talking about any other source of funding other than public transportation. She also wanted to make it clear she was not speaking for the Senior Center.

23-376

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 and Then and Now Payment Batch #370858 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:** Held three payments to Family Life Counseling from Fund 106/Sheriff Policing.

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

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

Claims Register for Payment Batches

Table with columns: Warrant Date, Claimant, Batch ID, PO #, Line #, Line Description, Amount, Warrant #. Includes entries for Department: Microfinancing, Department: Data Processing, Department: Prosecutor, and Department: Common Pleas.

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PAY TO NAME Huron County Commissioner	PAYMENT ADDRESS 180 West Huron, MI 49829	TOTAL VALUE 248,350.00	DESCRIPTION IT Charge / 500 Drive/Click	PURCHASE ORDER DEPARTMENT 182 Year Opaid Response	INVOICE NUMBER 2033-00649	INVOICE DATE 2/17/2023
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	Account 500-501-00260 (Contract Services) Total				\$4,107.01	
	Department Landfill Total				\$25,498.89	
	Fund 500 - Landfill Total				\$25,498.89	
	Department Solid Waste Management District				\$416.52	
	12142023	2023-00564		Red Off Truck	\$739.32	
	12142023	2023-00564		Commingled Recyclables	\$255.79	
	12142023	2023-00564		525-00250 Recycling Program	\$4,429.63	
	12142023	2023-00564		Cell Phone	\$50.00	
	Account 525-525-00300 (Travel) Total				\$5,214.74	
	Department Solid Waste Management District Total				\$8,479.63	
	Fund 525 - Solid Waste Management District Total				\$8,479.63	
	Department Health Insurance				\$3,000.00	
	12142023	2023-00121		Monthly Consulting	\$3,000.00	
	Account 560-560-00260 (Expenditures) Total				\$3,000.00	
	Department Health Insurance Total				\$3,000.00	
	Fund 560 - Health Insurance Total				\$3,000.00	
	Fund 635 - Commissary Trust				\$334.41	
	12142023	2023-00421		Immune to service by 1205 - 1024	\$334.41	
	Account 635-635-00260 (Expenditures) Total				\$334.41	
	Department Commissary Trust Total				\$334.41	
	Fund 635 - Commissary Trust Total				\$334.41	
	Fund 640 - Carline Trust Fund				\$334.41	
	12142023	2023-00421		Immune to service by 1205 - 1024	\$334.41	
	Account 640-640-00260 (Expenditures) Total				\$334.41	
	Department Carline Trust Fund Total				\$334.41	
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At 9:30 a.m. Scott Sparks, Airport Board. Mr. Brady explained Mr. Sparks had sent an email about a potential loan on a hangar that a business may be interested in leasing, provided some updates are made to it. He asked Mr. Sparks to give some details about this potential project. Mr. Sparks said they had a gentleman call them wanting to move his business to Norwalk. He needed the hangar upgraded for heat and other things and wanted to do it himself. Mr. Sparks said they are not going to allow that anymore after the last tenant. He went out and got a quote to get the hangar insulated and heated. He broke the project into phases and provided an outline of what he hoped to accomplish:

The Huron County Airport Board is dedicated to continual upgrades of airport facilities as a core element of its mission to position the airport as an emerging world class airport. This initiative will enhance our mission to attract new business ventures to the airport which will continue to contribute to the economic growth of Huron County.

Goal: To secure essential funding for the rehabilitation of Hangar A. The project is segmented into four (4) phases aimed at transforming the current facility into a year-round operational hangar. We are seeking funding or a loan for Phases 1-3. (\$ 102,400).

*Phase 1: Hangar Upgrade \$74,000**Scope of work:*

1. Demolish an area of wood siding on the east side (25'x 15')
2. Installation of one personnel door and one overhead (12 'x 10') high lift door.
3. Installation of one personnel door to the storage area on the southeast corner.
4. Install a 4' wide catwalk in the truss space inside the south side to allow for hangar door maintenance.
5. Prepare 60'x96' ceiling with 2x4 lumber to accept liner panel ceiling.
6. Installation of 5760sf of interior liner panel.
7. Installation of two (2) 125,000 BTU propane heaters.
8. Demolition and removal of 34'x25' exiting concrete pad.
9. Installation of 34'x25' 6" reinforced exterior concrete.
10. Electrical work:
 - a. Power to one (1) overhead door.
 - b. Relocate one (1) power outlet in conflict with overhead door opening.
 - c. Rotate twelve (12) existing electrical duplex outlets to the new ceiling so they remain accessible.
 - d. Power to two (2) unit heaters.

*Phase II: Insulation of Hangar A \$22,000**Scope of work:*

1. Spray application of 2" of 2-pound close cell foam to exterior walls
2. Removal of existing batting panels on hangar door. (top half)
3. Spray application of 2", 2-pound close cell foam to hangar door (top half)
4. Baffles placed in the eaves.
5. Installation of R30 clean fiber cellulose blown onto top of ceiling liner panel.
6. Spray fireproofing "No Burn" to all exposed surfaces.

*Phase III Concrete installation.**Scope of work: \$6400*

1. Installation of 44'x4' sidewalk from fuel pump area to administration building.
(Previous sidewalk cannot be used due to fuel tank perimeter fencing installation)
2. Installation of 14'x25' concrete in outbuilding attached to southeast corner of Hangar

Note: Item number 1 is a pedestrian safety issue. The current path from the fuel pumps area to the building is grass. This increases the potential for slips, trips, and falls. This has potential legal and financial implications for the airport if accidents or injuries occur due to lack of sidewalks.

*Phase IV Restroom installation. \$37,000**Scope of work:*

1. Rough in one (1) tank type toilet and one (1) wash tub.
2. 125 lf 1" water line from well house to Hangar A with a hose bibb for future connection of restroom facilities.
3. One (1) floor drain set.
4. Sanitary line installs 5' outside Hangar A with clean out for future connection.
5. Removing existing and installing new 20"x10" interior concrete.
6. Wall construction (wood framed materials)
7. One (1) 3 'x 7' door with privacy set
8. White liner panel on the walls inside and outside.
9. Ceiling will be painted plywood.
10. Floor will be sealed concrete.
11. Installation of one (1) light connected to nearby circuit and power for a small baseboard heater and future point of use water heater.

The Huron County Airport is presently in discussions with two enthusiastic individuals looking to establish aircraft-related businesses at the Norwalk Huron County Airport.

One of them intends to lease Hangar A, while both express keen interest in exploring opportunities to construct new hangars for their enterprises. This aligns seamlessly with the Airport Master Plan's vision to build hangars on the north side of the east ramp. Attracting these local business ventures not only serves the immediate interests of these entrepreneurs but also significantly bolsters the airport's role in fostering economic development in Huron County.

We are also in talks with a third individual who is also interested in moving his business to Norwalk Huron County airport, however he is obligated to his current lease at another airport for the time being.

The lessee of Hangar A has willingly consented to a lease cost adjustment following the completion of the rehabilitation project. Additionally, the individual has agreed to vacate the hangar temporarily to facilitate the necessary renovation work.

Mr. Sparks explained they don't want to do Phase 4 just yet. They don't know what is underground, where the sewer is or if the sewer line runs to the water treatment plant or not. Until they find out what is underground that project isn't even feasible right now.

Mr. Brady asked, if they were able to do this work, what kind of rent would they be receiving to potentially repay a loan. Mr. Sparks said they have an agreement for \$2,000/month on that building. They leased it last year to a NASA contractor for \$1,000 and they bumped it up. Right now he wants to lease it for \$1,500/month the way it sits. When we get the renovations done, he will go up to the agreed amount of \$2,000. Plus, it has a dedicated electric bill for that he will pay. Mr. Boose thought it sounded like a long return on their investment. Mr. Wilde agreed, saying that was \$24,000/year. Mr. Brady thought \$100,000 of improvements to increase rent \$500/month was a lot. Mr. Wilde asked how the airport would pay the loan back. Mr. Sparks said he would pay \$1,000/month. He noted they wouldn't even be in this position if they did not have people that were willing to pay that amount. \$2,000 is the top limit for the one gentleman. Mr. Boose asked how long the contract would be. Scott said initially he does a six-month lease just to make sure things work out. After that it is whatever they decide on. Mr. Wilde said in his experience, if you are putting \$102,000 in you need to have a lease that goes until it is paid back. Or, if they leave they need to pay the difference between what was paid and what was spent. Mr. Boose did not think they were ready to do anything before the end of the year. He thought they could look at it in final budget and do return on investment and see what kind of contract would be involved. Unfortunately, he had been in a few hangar issues over the last 25 years and some of them have not gone well. He wanted to be sure there were some really good guardrails and guidelines. Mr. Sparks agreed it was not going to be a quick process. Mr. Wilde wanted to see the dollars and cents, but thought the whole concept was great. It is economic development, he wanted to see a long-term lease so everything gets paid back. Mr. Brady appreciated him coming in with an outline of what they are wanting to do. He was hoping they could talk about this during budget next year. Mr. Boose told Mr. Strickler that the commissioners had an agreement with the airport about 20 years ago; there was a loan to build a hangar. So, Mr. Strickler would not be completely starting from scratch. Mr. Boose thought it had been in the mid-1990s.

At 9:50 a.m. Art Mead, EMA/911 – Agriculture Rescue grant opportunity. Mr. Mead said there have been a lot of ag related injuries over the last ten years. He would like to do an AFG grant (Assistance to Firefighter grant) for a purpose-built grass firefighter truck. 550 chassis, four-wheel drive, jacked up. No water, no pump, but having extra container space for extrication tools, cutting tools, hand tools, a generator, a tower light. Everything we would need to do a rescue if someone were involved in one of these types of incidents. He pointed out that most farming incidents are not going to be on the side of the road, they are going to be out in the field, around corn, they are going to be where a normal truck will not have access. He has two fire departments that would allowed him to use their FD number, fire department number, in order to go through AFG. Mr. Mead said he would do the bulk of the work and would like to use a grant writer he has used in the past. He would like to have a minimum of one person from every agency in Huron County, including our EMS agencies, go through Ag Rescue Technician training. This would include Mr. Stevens and himself. This way, if there is an ag incident there will be anywhere from 8 to 10 people available to show up. Mr. Mead would like to make this a regional grant so everybody in the county will have a little bit of buy-in in this process. Mr. Wilde asked if this training was already something that existed. Mr. Mead said it was – there is grain bin rescue and heavy machinery rescue trainings. He thought they should also do this for heavy machine rescue because a lot of farmers have machine shops. This could be a regional asset, not only for the county but for the counties around us. There are a lot of big factories, a lot of heavy industry that if they need extra tools, airbags, whatever, we could be used for that as well. Mr. Mead was still working on numbers, but was looking at around \$550,000 - \$600,000. AFG should cover 85 – 90% of this. He was asking the board to allow him to pay the initial grant writer fee to assist with this process, which is \$1,500. It gives him two years. If they don't get the grant the first year, they write it for free the second year. Everything he had ever done with this group he has gotten. This was one of those things that has a small investment with possibly a huge reward. If they can do this there will be an ag rescue/heavy machinery rescue team for the county. We would have a dive team, a hazmat team, and now an ag rescue team as well. That was his goal. AFG will open up in January. He had been doing research for the last six to eight weeks and was ready to move forward if he had the board's blessing. Mr. Brady liked the idea of being more versatile. What they have in Bellevue was actually for grain bin rescue, that was pretty much the extent of it. Mr. Mead said it was \$75,000 for that piece of equipment. What he was proposing had the ability to respond to more incidents. Mr. Mead liked the idea of everybody in the county being involved. He has spoken to most of the fire chiefs and they think it is a great idea. Mr. Boose

asked if this was a scaled down version of what Lorain County has. Mr. Mead said no, Lorain County's team is all hazards. They have a hazmat, a trench rescue, high angle, confined space, water. What he was proposing was more of a heavy machine/ag rescue. We are going to focus on things we would be deal with, like the farming incidents. Mr. Boose thought Lorain County has a fantastic program, but they also have more full-time firemen to be able to respond. He thought Mr. Mead was right on what needed to done. Mr. Mead said the truck would be based in his office in the back building. Five days a week, if there is a response either he or Mr. Stevens, or both, would take the truck to the scene. If it is after hours, Norwalk Fire will come get it and take it, as they do with the hazmat trailer. We will have a dedicated group. He would still want to bring Lorain County in if he could, so we still have those extra resources coming in. But he was trying to make the county a little more resilient. Mr. Mead had called the manufacturer of the truck. It run around \$265,000 - \$270,000. It would come with a generator and a tower light, all the lighting and four-wheel drive. It is about \$125,000 for the extrication tools. \$10,000 - \$15,000 for airbags. Mr. Mead would also like to earmark somewhere between \$75,000 - \$100,000 for training. Mr. Boose noted it didn't do any good to have it if you don't know how to use it. Mr. Mead said when he talked to the chiefs about this they all seemed to feel this was a need and made sense. Mr. Brady asked if the training would be part of the grant, or if there was another grant that would cover it. Mr. Mead said part of the AFG the grant writer will include the initial training, or as much training as possible. He has already looked into it - OSU Extension, Farm Bureau, and some others are willing to help pay for some of the training as well. If they do, then the money that was earmarked for the training can be used to buy more equipment. This is not going to be a one-time training; there is a skill set that will have to be kept up on. Mr. Boose told Mr. Mead about the one-time state money that can be used for anything capital related. It can be used for a fire truck, and is open to any local government. The bad side is, it is due on Monday for the House. The good side is, even though the grant is the same and it is all the same money for the House and the Senate, the Senate's is not due until April 8. Mr. Mead said they could go for the truck, he can get those number this week. If they give him the information he will work on it. The truck is going to be the biggest expense. He was looking at gas, not diesel. This will save about \$12,000. Mr. Boose said the advantage in this particular case is multiple governments will be able to get use out of it - townships, fire departments, the county, municipalities, all will benefit. Mr. Mead pointed out this will be a regional asset, so if there were an incident in Sandusky County or Erie County we could also respond. Mr. Wilde would like to okay the \$1,500 for the grant writer so they can get started. Ms. Ziemba asked Mr. Mead if he had a contract. He said he did not, he had wanted to talk to the board first. Ms. Ziemba suggested the board authorize Mr. Mead to sign the contract, after it had been reviewed by the prosecutor.

Bruce Wilde moved to authorize Art Mead to sign a contract in the amount of \$1,500 with the grant writer to write the AFG grant, after proper review by the prosecutor's office. 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*

At 10:05 a.m. Pete Welch, Director of Operations - Capital budget project discussion. Mr. Welch noted Mr. Boose had brought this to their attention within the last week. They were able to come up with three projects. The courthouse floor was one; they had estimates from the architect. The other two were the Shady Lane demo and the Transfer Station scale. Mr. Welch started to work on the Senate request; it is really not that difficult to fill out. There are a few things that he will need Ms. Ziemba to finish. He can complete these relatively quickly if the board was okay with these three projects. He still has to work on what the House wants, which is a separate form. But that should only take twenty minutes at the most to complete. Mr. Boose wanted to suggest, based on Winter Conference last week, that he fill out both applications. At this time he suggested just sending in the House application. If it is sent to the Senate too early it could get lost in the shuffle. Mr. Welch said the date for the house was December 18. He asked when the Senate date was. Mr. Boose told him it was April 8. Mr. Boose wanted to hold it in case something came up in the next three months. Also based on what he heard at Winter Conference, Mr. Boose said they should not ask for the full amount - they expect there to be a local/community investment. Mr. Welch said the numbers could be changed, but he used 25%, which is the standard. Mr. Boose wanted to change it just a little bit, because the projects are different and vary in importance of getting them done. The very first project probably isn't going to get done for a while if we don't get this money, so he suggested asking for 90% of that project. Mr. Welch clarified he was referring to the courthouse floor. He was. Mr. Boose said the Shady Lane Complex needs to be done. They are looking at several different places for funding on that. The total cost of the estimated project is \$980,000. He would only ask for half. That is something that has to be done and we want to get it done, so we would have a better chance of getting that by asking for half. Mr. Welch specified they wanted him to ask for a half a mil, and the county contribution would be \$480,000. The board agreed. Mr. Boose said he had asked Mr. Welch to add that the idea is to prepare this land for redevelopment - he thought that would make a difference. On the third project Mr. Boose agreed with the 25%. Mr. Wilde wanted to add \$50,000 for lighting for the courthouse. Mr. Boose said he had discussed this with Mr. Minor, and they thought it would be more like \$100,000. The idea was to light it up year-

round, in different colors and for different events. Mr. Welch asked if he could wrap it into one project, call it courthouse renovations. Mr. Boose thought they should be done separately because each project would be looked at individually. He thought it would be very difficult for us to get the money to do the floor. If you add the lights to that, to him it would diminish our chances of getting that. He did not think Mr. Welch should worry about the number they were sending in. There will be counties that will have over 100 projects. Mr. Welch asked if Mr. Minor was fully aware of what they want for lighting for the courthouse. Mr. Boose suggested Mr. Wilde meet with Mr. Minor to clarify. Mr. Boose asked Mr. Welch to get a copy of the application to Mr. Mead and help him with his project. Mr. Welch said he would. Mr. Welch will prepare his documents and have Ms. Ziemba review them.

At 10:25 a.m. the board recessed.

At 10:30 a.m. the board resumed regular session with Cecilia Blevins and Ben Kline, Board of Elections to explain their request for an appropriation adjustment to pay employees comp time. Mr. Brady said he had asked Board of Elections to come in to provide an explanation of their transfer request. Ms. Blevins provided a synopsis of what had been going on since February 1, when they started working on the May primary. They start 90 days before an election with logic & accuracy, programming, etc. After the election they have to do the certification and audit. It usually takes about 30 days after the election to wrap everything up. Their clerks have to do all the voter registrations that get put on hold when early voting starts. Then the August election was thrown in unexpectedly. The state did pay for that, but they still had to take the time to go through logic & accuracy, programming, the whole process. When that election ended they had to do all the voter registrations, etc. Then they started getting ready for the November election in September. Now they are going into the March primary – December 11 was 100 days out for that. They have petitions they have to certify on the 22nd, they have to check the petitions that come in. There are things that need to be done, so they really can't take time off. Throughout the year each of the staff had a two-week vacation, but the comp time is still there. They have had to prepare for four elections in a ten-month time period, so there were very few windows to take time off. Normally they do not do a payout for the clerks but there has just been no time. A lot of comp time has been accrued and there is no way they will be able to take that much time off with the election coming up in March. They are closing between Christmas and New Years', which will use three days. Mr. Brady asked what the policy was for comp time in the personnel policy manual. Ms. Blevins said 240 hours could be carried over per their PPM, but they still have to use it within a certain amount of time. If they keep carrying it over they will have a huge amount. Mr. Boose asked if anyone had more than 240 hours. Ms. Blevins said the clerks have 256 hours. She said they only accumulate comp time when an election is going on, it is not all year long. It is accumulated at straight time over for 40 for her and Mr. Kline; the clerks get time and a half over 40. Mr. Boose asked if their comp time was paid out last year. Ms. Blevins said it was not. Mr. Brady asked how much their board had authorized for the clerks. Ms. Blevins said they authorized 125 hours to be paid out to the clerks, 125 hours for her and 150 for Mr. Kline. Mr. Brady pointed out they are in an election season and it would start building again. Mr. Boose said the idea behind a manager was to hire people part time. The treasurer's office does that all the time. They have busy times of the year and they have people that get them through the busy time so they don't build up comp time. Mr. Brady asked what the Secretary of State required for directors, deputy directors and the administrative staff - do they have to be present for all of the hours you are open, can you scatter it? Ms. Blevins said they do scatter it, but one of them has to be there the whole time they are open. They have to have someone in the board office and they also have to staff early voting downstairs. They usually have at least one person upstairs to man the office, and then someone downstairs with the seasonal people. Mr. Wilde clarified that, for every hour that is early voting, one of them must be there. Ms. Blevins agreed. Mr. Brady said the Secretary of State has a lot to say about who is where and when, he was just trying to understand if there was a possibility to utilize more part timers. Ms. Blevins said they do utilize part timers to help out with the clerical, then they have seasonal come in to check it. The opposite party has to check the voter registration to make sure it is put in correctly. Mr. Boose didn't think they brought in enough people. Mr. Kline said they have some very dedicated and good seasonal workers, but there are some that can't work as much or at all during certain elections. They are training about six new people. This also takes the time of their staff for training. They are doing what they can to try to find more seasonal people. Mr. Wilde asked if this was general fund money. Ms. Blevins said it was, it was their budgeted money. Mr. Wilde clarified it wasn't money they received for the extra election. Ms. Blevins said it was not, but the state had paid for that election. Mr. Wilde asked if they had paid for the comp time. Ms. Blevins said they did, just for the August election. And they had paid the clerks out too. Mr. Boose said the state does not pay comp time, they pay the amount of time it takes to put the election on. If you do that with comp time, then obviously it will get paid. Mr. Brady confirmed there was no carry over time from the August election. Ms. Blevins agreed. Mr. Brady asked if they expect to see a lot of comp time this next year. Other than having four elections last year, which makes it harder to take the comp time, is this a recurring thing they think is going to keep happening? Ms. Blevins did not think so. They would love to take more time off in the summer. That is the other thing, they have to make sure their vacation time is down or they don't accumulate that. There are a lot of factors involved. Mr. Brady appreciated them coming in. He knew they had to have a republican and a democrat; you can't have one party. It is not a normal department. Mr. Kline wanted to point out, the week before the election and the election week are huge weeks; they are putting massive hours in and they also have to respect their seasonal

workers. We can't abuse them. We can't ask them to work 12 hours a day for 5 days, then come back election week and work. That is a lot. Especially knowing some of their limits. Trying to be in two locations is tough, and then they have the curbside voting. They can't go out by themselves, they have to send two people. And then the phone rings, how do you handle that? We have to have a staff. Mr. Brady wanted to ask if their board does as much to help with the election as they did when he, Mr. Stieber and Ms. Lesch were on it. Ms. Blevins said they did not, they all have full time jobs with other companies. Mr. Wilde didn't think the board members could take their place. Ms. Blevins said they could, if they were available. Mr. Brady thought there was a skill set with the Director and Deputy Director, you don't want someone to try to take their place. Mr. Wilde asked, if there hadn't been an August election, would they have been able to use the comp time they accrued? Ms. Blevins and Mr. Kline both said they would have. Mr. Boose thought that because of this, the extra election had cost the county money, even though it was supposed to have been completely paid for by the state. Mr. Brady pointed out that they would have been paying this anyway, whether it was for them to take the time off or as a payout.

Before she left, Ms. Blevins wanted to talk about the county credit card. The security directive is due on December 29 and they have an app that has to be purchased with a credit card. According to the auditor, they cannot use their own personal credit card to do that. She needs to know if she should get an extension from the State on their security directive. Mr. Brady suggested she get an extension. Secondly, Ms. Blevins told the board their reimbursement for the poll pads should be here this week.

23-384

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTS WITHIN THE GENERAL FUND BOARD OF ELECTIONS ACCOUNT #020

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, there is a need for appropriation adjustment; 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 of the appropriation of moneys as follows:

FROM:	Dept.	Account	Fund	Amount	TO:	Dept.	Account	Fund	Amount
	020	00525	001	\$ 17,803.35		020	00125	001	\$15,403.50
		BOE Contract Services					BOE Salaries Employees		
						020	00400	001	\$ 2,176.50
							BOE OPERS		
						020	00460	001	\$ 223.35
							BOE - Medicare		

and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be sent to the Department requesting transfer, and the Huron County Auditor, and the Auditor's office will make the appropriate journal entry;

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. Brady said he had asked Mr. Strickler if this was part of that opinion he gave on transfers that the state says they have to do. He said it was. Mr. Boose wanted to say he was absolutely against this. There is no incentive for Board of Elections to manage their time better. He would have no problem passing an amount to get them under the 240 hours so they don't lose it at the end of the year. They are setting a horrible precedent that any department can just build up comp time if they want to. Mr. Strickler wanted to respectfully disagree with Mr. Boose. He said this was specifically the Board of Elections. Mr. Boose could vote however he wants to vote. However, the law says, when the Board of Elections sends you a request for an appropriation you have to adopt it, unless it is for employee bonuses and/or raises. By voting no, Mr. Boose would be in violation of that section of the Ohio Revised Code.

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

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

23-377

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 #23) SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD DECEMBER 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 and 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. 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		2095 E.E. H.F. Indiana: CDBG Housing P.J. Balance: Home Program Income Balance			
Contact Person Information: Name: Sheri Ebert Phone number: (614) 331-4130 Email: sebert@glcap.org		Grant Number: B-C-21-1BJ-1 Draw Number: 23		Date: Voucher#:			
Project NBR	Project Name	Activity NBR	Activity Name	Housing Site Address (if applicable)	Amount Requested	Approved Activity/ Site Budget (\$)	Balance of Activity/ Site Budget (\$)
5	Repair Assistance	1	Home/Building repair	210 Park St, Willard	17294.00	123500.00	0.00
2	Administration/Fair Housing	2	General Admin		4634.00	123500.00	12284.00
Total Amount of this Draw:					21928.00	247000.00	12284.00
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: 12/12/23		Signature: <i>Harry Brady</i>		Title: President			
Date: 12/12/23		Countersignature: <i>Terry Boose</i>		Title: V.P.			
State Use Only:							
Approved:							

23-378

IN THE MATTER OF HOLDING MEMBERSHIP IN THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ASSOCIATION OF OHIO (CCAO)

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners desires to hold membership in the County Commissioners Association of Ohio (CCAO); 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 County Commissioners Association of Ohio (CCAO) for 2024 in the amount of \$9,766.00; 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

23-379

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING A WEB SERVICES SALES AGREEMENT SUBMITTED BY REVIZE, LLC, aka REVIZE SOFTWARE SYSTEMS, TO DEVELOP AN UPDATED WEBSITE FOR HURON COUNTY

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Joel Riedy, Network Administrator, recommends updating the Huron County website; and

WHEREAS, the Network Administrator received quotes to update the website and recommends the project be awarded to Revize LLC, aka Revize Software Systems, in the amount of \$14,900.00; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves the Web Services Sales Agreement submitted by Revize LLC, aka Revize Software Systems, to provide an updated website, 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*

23-380

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTS WITHIN THE COMMON PLEAS COURT STATE FUNDED PROBATION SERVICES FUND #158

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
	158	00425	158	\$ 560.00		158	00400	158	\$ 560.00
		CPC/Probation Services - Workers' Comp					CPC/Probation Services - OPERS		

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

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

23-381

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTS WITHIN THE HURON COUNTY ENGINEER AUTO TAX FUND #125

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, there is a need for an appropriation adjustment; 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 adjustment:

FROM	Dept.	Account	Fund	Amount	TO	Dept	Account	Fund	Amount
	126	00526	125	\$30,000.00		126	00210	125	\$30,000.00
	Auto Tax -Contract Projects					Auto Tax - Materials			

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

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

23-382

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTS WITHIN THE VICTIM’S ASSISTANCE VOCA-A FUND #183 AND VOCA-B FUND #184

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, there is a need for appropriation adjustment; 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 of the appropriation of moneys as follows:

FROM:	Dept.	Account	Fund	Amount	TO:	Dept.	Account	Fund	Amount
	183	00400	183	\$ 0.84		183	00500	183	\$ 0.84
		VOCA-A OPERS					VOCA-A Hospitalization		
	184	00425	184	\$ 20.88		184	00500	184	\$ 20.88
		VOCA-B Worker’s Comp					VOCA-B Hospitalization		

and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be sent to the Department requesting transfer, and the Huron County Auditor, and the Auditor’s office will make the appropriate journal entry;

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

23-383

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTS WITHIN THE GENERAL FUND VETERANS SERVICES ACCOUNT #033

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, there is a need for appropriation adjustment; 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 of the appropriation of moneys as follows:

FROM:	Dept	Account	Fund	Amount	TO:	Dept.	Account	Fund	Amount
	033	00485	001	\$ 3,000.00		033	00250	001	\$ 9,000.00
		Veterans Services Van Expenses					Veterans Services Outreach		
	033	00300	001	\$ 6,000.00					
		Veterans Services Travel							
	033	00125	001	\$50,000.00		033	00175	001	\$50,000.00
		Veterans Services Salaries Employees					Veteran Services Supplies		
	033	00400	001	\$ 6,000.00		033	00475	001	\$11,000.00
		Veterans Services OPERS					Veterans Services Other Expenses		
	033	00485	001	\$ 5,000.00					
		Veterans Services Van Expenses							

and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be sent to the Department requesting transfer, and the Huron County Auditor, and the Auditor’s office will make the appropriate journal entry;

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

At 11:07 a.m. the board recessed

At 11:10 a.m. the board resumed regular session

23-385

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE INTENT TO PROCEED WITH ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF THE REPLACEMENT AND AN INCREASE OF THE LEVY OF A TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING OR MAINTAINING SENIOR CITIZENS SERVICES OR FACILITIES IN EXCESS OF THE 10 MILL LIMITATION, PURSUANT TO SECTION 5705.19(Y) OF THE REVISED CODE; AND CERTIFYING THE SAME TO THE HURON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS.

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, on December 5, 2023, the Board of Commissioners of Huron County passed a resolution (the “Resolution of Necessity”) pursuant to R.C. 5705.03, declaring the necessity to levy the replacement with an increase of a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation in the amount of 0.60 mills, and an increase of 0.25 mills, which amounts to a total of 0.85 mills for the purpose of providing or maintaining senior citizens services or facilities in Huron County pursuant to R.C. 5705.19(Y). The Resolution of Necessity also included a request to the Huron County Auditor to certify to the Board of Commissioners the current tax valuation of the entire territory of Huron County, Ohio, and the amount of revenue that would be generated by the passage of the replacement and an increase of said tax; and

WHEREAS, the Board has received the Auditor’s certification of the current tax valuation of the entire territory of Huron County and the amount of revenue that would be generated by the replacement and an increase of the aforementioned tax, and now desires to proceed with the submission of the question of the replacement and increase of the aforesaid tax levy to the electors of the entire territory of Huron County, Ohio; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Huron County, Ohio, two-thirds of all of the members elected thereto concurring, that: the Board desires to proceed with the submission of the question of the replacement and an increase of a tax levy for the purpose of providing or maintaining senior citizens services or facilities in Huron County pursuant to R.C. 5705.19(Y), to the electors of the entire territory of Huron County, Ohio; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, the question of the replacement and an increase of such tax levy shall be submitted to the electors in the entire territory of Huron County, Ohio at the election to be held therein on March 19, 2024 (the “Election Date”). The entire territory of Huron County, Ohio will be included in the assessment of this tax if approved by the majority of the voters voting thereon; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the form of the ballot to be used at said election shall be substantially as follows:

**PROPOSED TAX LEVY (REPLACEMENT AND INCREASE)
HURON COUNTY, OHIO**

(A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage)

A replacement of 0.60 mills of an existing levy and an increase of 0.25 mills to constitute a tax for the benefit of Huron County, Ohio for the purpose of providing or maintaining senior citizens services or facilities that the county auditor estimates will collect \$1,171,108.00 annually, at a rate not exceeding 0.85 mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$29.75 for each \$100,000.00 of the county auditor’s appraised value, for 5 years, commencing in 2024, first due in calendar year 2025.

_____ FOR THE TAX LEVY

_____ AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Administrator/Clerk of the Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized and directed to certify, not later than December 20, 2023 (which date is not less than 90 days prior to the Election Date), to the Huron County Board of Elections a copy of the Resolution of Necessity as adopted by the Board, a copy of this resolution, and a copy of the Huron County Auditor’s certification of the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the replacement and an increase of the within tax levy during the first year of collection, based upon the current tax valuation of the entire territory of the County, as estimated by the Huron County Auditor; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Administrator/Clerk of the Board of Commissioners is also hereby directed and authorized to certify to the Huron County Board of Elections that the question of the replacement and an increase of a tax levy that will be for the purpose of providing or maintaining senior citizens services or facilities, for a period of 5 years, and that the levy will be placed upon the tax list and duplicate for the 2024 tax year (commencing in 2024, first due in calendar year 2025) if approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the foregoing resolution was adopted and all actions and deliberations of the Board of Commissioners of Huron County, 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. Brady explained this was for a replacement levy for operating senior services in Huron County. Mr. Kenney stated it provides important, basic services such as transportation and meals.

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

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

At 11:13 a.m. Bruce Wilde moved to enter into Executive Session 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 and 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. 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*

At 11:53 a.m. the board recessed executive sessions to take action on Executive Session ORC 121.22 (G)(3).

Mr. Brady explained they had discussed who to award the bid to for the senior center that is to be built in Huron County. There are two low bids. One is Classical Construction, who is the absolute low with the alternates included. Second is Studer Obringer, who is the next up, because of the patio in the plans.

Bruce Wilde moved to approve awarding the bid to the lowest bidder, Classical Construction, with alternates #1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, and 9 for a total award of \$4,904,767.00. Terry Boose seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Mr. Brady went on the record to say he will not be voting for Classical Construction because they have two prevailing wage violations in the last five years. He believed this would knock them out as lowest and best. There was already an issue this year with a contractor that pulled the crews off the job because they did not want to fill out prevailing wage forms. He did not want to see it on this job. He does not believe that is the lowest and best, he believes they should go with Studer Obringer. We have a track record with them and know what we are going to get. Mr. Brady will not be approving or voting to approve any change orders on this job unless the architect says it was a design flaw on their part. He does not want this to get “back doored” because of low price. Mr. Boose said wanted to add that our architect firm checked on the two prevailing wage issues and both of them had been resolved.

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

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



Project Name: Huron County Detention Center		Date: Nov. 28, 2023		Tabulation of Bids												
Okla project no. 2307.031		Time: 12:00 p.m.		Risk: open offer												
Name of contractor	Approved/Not Approved	Item 1: Contract Award Construction	Item 1: A1: B1	Item 1: A1: B2	Item 1: A1: C1	Item 1: A1: C2	Item 1: A1: C3	Item 1: A1: C4	Item 1: A1: C5	Item 1: A1: C6	Item 1: A1: C7	Item 1: A1: C8	Item 1: A1: C9	Item 1: A1: C10	Item 1: A1: C11	Item 1: A1: C12
			(10/1/2023)	(10/1/2023)	(10/1/2023)	(10/1/2023)	(10/1/2023)	(10/1/2023)	(10/1/2023)	(10/1/2023)	(10/1/2023)	(10/1/2023)	(10/1/2023)	(10/1/2023)	(10/1/2023)	(10/1/2023)
Jurafko & Hester																
Belmer Company	✓	✓	5,267,000.00	8,500.00	8,000.00	5,000.00	41,000.00	35,000.00	70,000.00	270,000.00	32,000.00	49,000.00	95,000.00			
Bude-Christie, Inc.	✓	✓	4,721,000.00	17,760.00	1,610.00	4,000.00	22,500.00	15,600.00	106,300.00	3,792,000.00	33,900.00	inc bid	357,300.00			
Johnson Construction	✓	✓	5,498,000.00	18,010.00	1,000.00	6,037.00	29,900.00	19,775.00	116,000.00	141,500.00	33,000.00	41,600.00	149,400.00			
Ziema Builders																
Classical Construction	✓	✓	4,700,000.00	14,077.00	900.00	6,999.00	12,412.00	36,394.00	17,057.00	179,590.00	23,000.00	3,440.00	59,770.00			
Unbonded estimate			\$5,303,413.00													

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At 11:57 a.m. the board resumed executive sessions. Commissioner Brady left the meeting.

At 1:13 p.m. Bruce Wilde moved to end Executive Sessions ORC 121.22 (G)(1) & (3). Terry Boose seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

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

Action taken from G(1):

23-386

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE PROBATIONARY REMOVAL OF KYLE DAVIS

Terry Boose moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Network Administrator and Human Resource Director recommends the probationary removal of Kyle Davis, probationary employee. This probationary removal comes in the best interest of the county and is appropriate under the county’s personnel policy. now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves Mr. Davis probationary removal effective December 12, 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.

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

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

IN THE MATTER OF TRAVEL – none

SIGNINGS - none

OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS

Clerk/Administrator update

Ms. Ziembra said they had received an annexation petition yesterday from Mr. Scott White, owner of L&J Rentals, LLC. He would like to annex a 1-acre parcel in Richfield Township into the City of Norwalk. Ms. Ziembra will send copies of the petition to the Engineer, Tax Map, Prosecutor and EMA/9-1-1. They will send back their recommendations and she will put it on the next agenda.

This morning they held payments on the claims schedule for the Sheriff's office. Ms. Ziemba had received an explanation from Chief Deputy Ditz: "*These are the counseling appointments for our road deputies and dispatchers and will be reimbursed through the First Responders Wellness grant*".

Bruce Wilde moved to release the payments held to Family Life Counseling from Fund 106/Sheriff Policing. Terry Boose seconded the motion.

****Discussion: Mr. Boose thought they might want to pick a different account in the future. He would keep it in the sheriff's budget as opposed to the policing budget.***

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

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

Ms. Ziemba said at the last meeting they discussed the notice of funding award for Plymouth Village bridge replacement. This was the Baseline Road Bridge Replacement project. They have received a letter from the attorney's office, Renwick, Welsh & Burton, LLC. Mr. Strickler and Mr. Tansey were supposed to be checking on something. Mr. Strickler said he spoke with the Richland County prosecutor's office. She said she did not know anything about it, but she was supposed to have lunch with the County Administrator on Friday. He hasn't heard back. He did talk to Mr. Tansey, who thought the Richland County Commissioners adopted it. He did not think Mr. Tansey was really bothered either way by it. The one good thing is it would be clear for everybody 50 years from now that we don't have any responsibility for this bridge. Mr. Wilde asked if there was any reason they shouldn't do it. Mr. Strickler said there was not. Ms. Ziemba will get something from Mr. Tansey indicating he is okay with this.

Ms. Ziemba had received a request from the City of Willard for a letter of support to the Ohio Department of Development for additional funding for the Willard water plant project. Mr. Boose and Mr. Wilde were all for that. Ms. Ziemba will work on that for the next meeting.

Ms. Ziemba had received an email from Kari Smith with the Board of DD wanting to know if the board was interested in the bus. If not, she would like to move forward with selling it. Ms. Ziemba had asked if she wanted to know if the commissioners were interested in it or if she was referring to SCAT. Ms. Smith had indicated either. Mr. Boose did not see any reason for the commissioners to own a bus, but if SCAT would like it he would like her to offer it to them. Mr. Wilde thought she was going to give it to them for free. Ms. Ziemba wasn't sure. She will contact Ms. Habig to see if they are interested.

Shady Lane farm lease. Ms. Ziemba had asked the architect about the amount of land they will need to build the building and store the construction equipment. The architect said typically once they award the bid the contractor has to submit to them all this information, so we should get it soon, probably by the end of January. Mr. Boose clarified this was for the farmer, so he will know what farmland is available.

Firelands local lease. Ms. Ziemba asked if a lease had ever been signed. Mr. Strickler said he did receive it back last week. He did not think the board had signed it. He will forward it to Ms. Ziemba and they can do a resolution next week.

SCAT lease agreement. Mr. Strickler is still working on that.

New London tower agreement. Mr. Strickler has not received this back.

At 1:29 p.m. the board recessed

At 1:30 p.m. resumed regular session

Mr. Boose had mentioned several times last week at Winter Conference about the fact that we have an organization or a bankruptcy company that wants a report for the money we received. He asked the other counties about this. Mr. Strickler thought he was referring to the Mallinckrodt opioid settlement. He was. Mr. Boose said everyone said they had received something, but it sounded like nobody had filed any reports yet. Mr. Boose said they had discussions in both the OneOhio meeting and further discussion in a roundtable for middle size counties about what counties are doing as far as separating money. Several of them have said they think they are probably going to do that. Mr. Strickler said that was what he had suggested last week, as had Ms. Ziemba. The information Mr. Boose heard was it probably would be a good idea to at least separate that one. Mr. Boose did not know when the report was due; Ms. Ziemba said nothing indicates when it is due. Mr. Strickler thought the first report was due March 31 last year, but nobody filed it. He thought the next one was due in March. He will have to go back and look. He said the only reason that one is the way it is was because it came out of bankruptcy court. He thought either Mallinckrodt or the bankruptcy court wanted it as part of the settlement.

Assistant Prosecutor meeting – *nothing to report***Commissioner Wilde update:**

Mr. Wilde has NEDC tomorrow, comprehensive plan for the City of Norwalk.

Tomorrow evening is EHOVE.

Thursday morning is HCDC.

He does not think he will make the township meeting Thursday night.

Friday is the building Christmas potluck.

Mr. Wilde asked about the tower for AOS. Mr. Boose did not know how to move forward on that. He thought if they could do something that doesn't cost us any money to prove the tower is stable enough for them to use he was okay with it. Ms. Ziemba said there had been a suggestion at the last meeting to use a different building. Mr. Wilde noted that their window of application had been from December 6 – 13. The board will not be able to make a decision that quickly. Mr. Boose suggested sending a response indicating they are willing to discuss this in the future about that possibility or other possibilities. Mr. Wilde will send a response.

Commissioner Boose update

Mr. Boose said he will be attending the Firefighter's meeting tomorrow.

Mr. Boose asked if they had been notified by HCDC that they had an interim director. Ms. Ziemba had not heard anything.

Mr. Boose said there is a bill out there to require that one member of the Veteran's Commission be appointed by the Board of County Commissioners.

HB382 says to establish the Adverse Childhood Experience Study Commission.

CCAO has sent out a new jail project survey for capital needs. Mr. Boose would like to make sure sheriff's office fills that out.

MHAS Board November 2023 report. 2 overdose fatalities; 2 completed suicides in November.

They had received an email from the treasurer, who had an email from Mr. Ferris with the credit card company. He said he checked with the Attorney General's office, who indicated that unless somebody can show them a section in the Ohio Revised Code that says counties can't get rebates, then he doesn't see why counties can't get rebates. Mr. Strickler thought that was an interpretation Mr. Stephens had made. Mr. Boose assumed Mr. Stephens had received a copy of it. He thought he might need to have that discussion with the Attorney General's office. Mr. Strickler will talk to Mr. Stephens about it.

At 1:53 p.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 December 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 1:53 p.m.

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REGULAR SESSION

TUESDAY

DECEMBER 12, 2023

The following bids for the Bullhead Road Resurfacing Project were open on December 15, 2023 at 9:00 a.m:

Bullhead Road Resurfacing Bid Opening: Friday, December 15, 2023 9:00 a.m.

Table with columns: Ref., Item, Description, Quant., Unit, Unit Cost, Total Cost, Sarver Paving, Erie Blacktop, Gerken Paving, Kokosing Construction Co., AJ Riley - BID REJECTED. Rows include items like Premium Contract Bond, Signs Removed & Stockpiled, Tack Coat, Asphalt Concrete, etc.

The following bids for the Butler Road Culvert Replacement Project were open on December 15, 2023 at 9:05 a.m.:

Butler Road Culvert Replacement Bid Opening: Friday, December 15, 2023 9:05 a.m.

Table with columns: Ref., Item, Description, Quant., Unit, Unit Cost, Total Cost, and various contractor names including Mallet Excavating, Inc., Demco Concrete, Inc., etc. Rows include items like Premium Contract Bond, Clearing and Grubbing, Excavation, etc.