

REGULAR SESSION

THURSDAY

MAY 14, 2009

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

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 305.14 the Record of the Proceedings of the May 12, 2009 meeting(s) were presented to the Board. Larry J. Silcox made the motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the May 12, 2009 meeting(s) and approve as presented. Mike Adelman seconded the motion. Voting was as follows:

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

09-157

IN THE MATTER OF AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN HURON COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT(grantee) AND OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (department) (DIVISION OF RECYCLING & LITTER PREVENTION)

Mike Adelman moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the grantee as authorized under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 1502, has applied to the department for grant funding in the amount of \$20,000.00 to implement a 2009 Community Development Grant; and

WHEREAS, the grantee agrees to perform in compliance with the terms, promises, conditions, and assurances as outlined in the Grantee’s 2009 application and the 2009 Manager’s manual; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners desires to authorize the Huron County Solid Waste Management District to enter into an agreement with the department to administer such grant; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners authorizes the Huron County Solid Waste Management District to enter into an agreement with the department to administer such grant as attached hereto and incorporated herein; and further

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

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

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

*On file in Commissioners’ Office

09-158

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE CITY OF NORWALK’S ENTERPRISEZONE TO INCLUDE ANNEXED PROPERTY

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

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners passed Resolution 91-136 on April 11, 1991, establishing an Enterprise Zone within the City of Norwalk pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 5709.63, and said Zone was certified by the State of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners subsequently passed Resolution 92-319 on June 11, 1992, and subsequently Resolution 07-183 on June 5, 2007, both of which amended and expanded the Enterprise Zone due to subsequent annexations of land into the City of Norwalk; and

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WHEREAS, the City of Norwalk has authorized and requested by legislation a third Amendment to the original Zone to include within said Zone such property which has been annexed into the City of Norwalk subsequent to the 2007 Amendments; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners finds and determines that designation of the annexed property within the Zone will promote the economic welfare of the residents of Huron County and the City of Norwalk by creating and preserving job opportunities and is in the best interest of Huron County and the City of Norwalk; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners is required by law to administer all Enterprise Zones and agreements, and has delegated to the legislative authority of the City of Norwalk all power and duties given to counties by Section 5709.63 (C) of the Ohio Revised Code to negotiate Enterprise Zone abatement agreements with regard to enterprises located or locating in its boundaries within the Zone; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that based on the factual data, reports, and conditions, the Board hereby finds and determines that the amended, expended Zone has a population of at least one thousand (1,000) persons according to the 2000 U.S. Census of Population, and the amended Zone meets required characteristics for an Enterprise Zone under the Ohio Revised Code; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board of Huron County Commissioners is hereby authorized and directed to provide a certified copy of this Resolution to the Director of the Ohio Department of Development; 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.

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

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

09-159

IN THE MATTER OF LETTING BIDS FOR THE APPLICATION OF HOT MIX ASPHALT IN HURON COUNTY

Mike Adelman moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Huron County Engineer has requested approval for seeking bids for resurfacing various roads with hot mix type asphaltic cement; and

WHEREAS, notice of this must be placed in a newspaper of general circulation, pursuant to Section 307.86 of the Ohio Revised Code; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners does hereby approve of letting bids for the resurfacing of various roads in Huron County, Ohio; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that notice of this will be placed in a newspaper of general circulation on Friday, May 15th, 2009 and this notice can also be located on the County's website at <http://www.hccommissioners.com> (click on legal notice button) and bids will be opened on Thursday, June 4th, 2009 at 10:00 a.m.; 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.

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

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

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Huron County Engineer
Norwalk, Ohio**

Sealed proposals will be accepted from bidders at the Office of the Huron County Commissioners until 10:00 AM on Thursday, June 4th, 2009 for the resurfacing of various roads in Huron County. The project is located throughout Huron County and is a road resurfacing project. The date set for completion of this work shall be as set forth in the bidding proposal. Plans and specifications are on file at the Office of the Huron County Engineer, 150 Jefferson Street, Norwalk, Ohio 44857. This advertisement will be published Friday, May 15th, 2009. This notice can also be located on the County's website: <http://www.hccommissioners.com>.

Publish: 5-15-09

IN THE MATTER OF TRAVEL

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

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

Roland Tkach, Auditor, to Mason, OH on June 8 – 11, 2009 for CAAO Summer Conference.

IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR LEAVE

Lon Burton/Mechanic/sick/7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. May 12, 2009.

SIGNINGS

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The National Telecommunications and Information Administration
The Broadband Technology Opportunities Program
The USDA Rural Utilities Service

RE: ENDORSEMENT OF ONECOMMUNITY'S ARRA PROPOSAL FOR
 THE BIG BROADBAND PROJECT

Huron County is pleased to endorse the proposal for the Big Broadband Project submitted by OneCommunity for funding through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. We support this network expansion to bring broadband into rural and underserved areas of Northern Ohio. The Big Broadband Project's fiber/wireless deployment, adding 1,300 miles of broadband fiber, will bring ultra-high-speed broadband to over 2,000 schools and universities, hundreds of hospitals and clinics, 31 counties, and over 1,000 cities and villages. Expanded broadband services will be provided through community partners to over 1.8 million households and over 5 million people. Huron County faces substantial challenges in re-tooling for healthy economic development. Broadband will bring with it opportunities for economic development and business attraction, and our workforce can have opportunities to be trained for broadband-related service and industries. Such a significant build-out cannot occur, however, without the essential financial resources made available through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

OneCommunity's Big Broadband Project will provide significant public benefit, drastically improving how our government, health, and education systems operate and interact today, and increasing our workforce

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through job creation of higher-paying jobs.

The location and timing are optimal. By leveraging an \$11.2 million FCC grant, the Big Broadband Project will insure that the return on investment is high. This project will saturate 31 strategic counties with the communications technology that enables them to compete in the 21st century.

In addition to expertise, OneCommunity already has a fiber-optic network that successfully serves more than 1,000 schools, hospitals, libraries, governments, and nonprofits, and has a proven track record in providing access.

The Big Broadband Project will benefit our local communities significantly. In addition, thousands of businesses and millions of underserved citizens across northern Ohio will be able access low-cost, high-capacity broadband services. We urge your approval of this proposal for which Stimulus support is essential.

Should there be any questions regarding our support or this letter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF HURON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Mike Adelman, Gary W. Bauer, Larry J. Silcox

Clerk's Report

Ms. Nolan reported that the Board has received a permissive tax request from the City of Norwalk for Cline Street in the amount of \$135,000.00 and has forwarded it on to the Engineers office for their review. Board will wait to hear from the Engineer before taking action.

At 9:30 a.m. Public Comment, Harry Brady came before the board to invite the board to the Apprenticeship Center and to the competitions going on there tomorrow. Mr. Brady also discussed the bidding process as to adopting what is called responsible bidding language. Many counties are adopting. Harry will bring information on bidding.

OTHER BUSINESS

Discussed the CCAO worker's comp meeting in Columbus on June, Sue Bommer to attend.

Gary Bauer discussed the request from Brian Smith for setting aside land to take out of development but if the board supports needs to be sure it is just for support and not involve funds, etc.

Larry Silcox mentioned the capital improvement planning and setting up a work session to develop some projects. Need to do a five year plan.

Mike Adelman discussed the fair board meeting held last Thursday, ticket sales have started off well, and the usable cash is in good shape. Set up committee to research and bring plan to the board to sell beer at the fair.

At 10:00 a.m.

Dr Dee came before the board in regards to that about five years ago Linda Stoneum recognized that there were many talented artists at Christie Lane and now have won many awards.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Christie Lane School artist Jesse Fields earned a first-place award and Deanna Bowling captured a second in the Accessible Expressions Ohio/VSA arts of Ohio exhibit, held recently in Westerville;

and

WHEREAS both entries are now eligible for the VSA national competition later this year;

and

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WHEREAS, the entries will be part of a traveling exhibit displayed throughout Ohio during 2009,

and

WHEREAS, artists Albert Greenlief, James O'Dor, Timothy Smith and Fred Wagner also have art in the traveling exhibit;

NOW THEREFORE *BE IT RESOLVED*, we the Board of Commissioners, Huron County, Ohio wish to extend our heart felt congratulations to the above mentioned artists for this prestigious awards and wish them continued success in the future:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF We have hereunto subscribed our names this 14th day of May in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Nine.

HURON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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PROCLAMATION

IN THE MATTER OF DECLARING SENIOR CITIZENS MONTH

WHEREAS, the elder members of our society have spent their years in service and dedication to the community and each of us has benefited from this dedication in many ways;

and

WHEREAS, reaching the status of "Senior Citizen" should be recognized as a great achievement and those reaching this status should be honored for their lifetime of work and sacrifice;

and

WHEREAS, each of us may forget from time to time to voice our appreciation for the benefits we enjoy that have come to us through our Senior Citizens and this appreciation may be expressed through a public honoring of those to whom we owe so much;

NOW THEREFORE *BE IT RESOLVED*, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners does encourage all citizens of Huron County to honor the senior citizens of Huron County, for their lifetime devotion to the younger generation, and further that that the Board desires to express their gratitude on behalf of all the citizens of Huron County and does hereby declare the month of May as:

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SENIOR CITIZENS MONTH

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF We have hereunto subscribed our names this 15th day of May,
in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Nine.

HURON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Mike Adelman, Gary W. Bauer, Larry J. Silcox

At 10 05 a.m. the board recessed

At 10:31 a.m. regular session resumed.

At 10:32 a.m. Larry J. Silcox 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. Mike Adelman seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

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

At 10:54 a.m. executive session recessed.

Sheriff Howard discussed a grant from the attorney general's office and the deadline was extended for the county for drug education at schools. The equipment and personnel is already in place. There is no match to this grant. No obligation when the grant is finished. It is about \$5,000 per deputy and it is a \$25,000 to \$30,000 grant.

The sheriff also discussed a firing range and using some land at the landfill for such range. The landfill and engineer have all agreed to assist with creating this. Larry Silcox asked about maintenance of the area and Mr. Welch stated that the landfill would maintain the area. Mr. Silcox stated that he would feel more comfortable with pushing more dirt up there rather than firing into an existing landfill. Mr. Bauer asked about the neighbors. Qualifying is done on a regular basis to make sure all is done to make sure deputies are qualified and if something would happen they would have done everything possible to be qualified.

Mike Adelman moved to approve proceeding with the application for the Ohio Drug Use Prevention Special Grant as presented by Sheriff Howard. Larry J. Silcox seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

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

At 11:11 a.m. executive session resumed.

At 11:20 a.m. Larry J. Silcox moved to End Executive Session ORC 121.22 (G) (1). Mike Adelman seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

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

Mike Adelman reviewed the letter for the Fourth of July parade.

At 11:24 a.m. Larry J. Silcox moved to adjourn. Mike Adelman seconded the motion. The meeting stood adjourned.

IN THE MATTER OF OPEN SESSION

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

IN THE MATTER OF CERTIFICATION

The Clerk to the Board does hereby attest that the foregoing is a true and correct record of all actions taken by the Board of Huron County Commissioners on May 14, 2009.

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 11:24 a.m.

Signatures on File