

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; Brad Mesenburg, Citizen; Sheila Poffenbaugh, Citizen; Rich Marett, Citizen; Danielle Smith, Citizen; Jeff Colvin, Citizen; Jessica Walsh, Apex; Callie Chaplain, Apex; Shylee Greszler, Norwalk Ohio News.

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 305.14 the Record of the Proceedings of the February 1, 2024, February 6, 2024, and February 13, 2024 meeting(s) were presented to the Board. Bruce Wilde made the motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the February 1, 2024, February 6, 2024, and February 13, 2024 meeting(s) and approve as presented. Harry Brady seconded the motion. Voting was as follows:

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

24-096

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’s for Payment Batch # 376176 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.

Harry Brady seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Mr. Wilde asked if SC Strategic Solutions was for the whole year. Ms. Ziemba stated that was Microfilm, so she guessed that was what that was. Mr. Boose said we pay it every year.

Mr. Boose asked if anyone knew what a drone sniffer was. Mr. Wilde said he heard the Chief Riederman talking. Drone sniffers can go down into a building or different things to find out exactly what is there so they don’t have to send a human. Mr. Brady said so they can know if it is toxic or not. Mr. Boose asked Ms. Ziemba to work with Mr. Mead to find out what kind of policy they have when the Hazmat and EMA purchase equipment, but it is used by everyone. Who is responsible for it, who is paying insurance on it, who has the availability of it.

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, PO #, Line #, Line Description, Amount, Warrant #. Includes entries for 'Funds: 001 to 951', 'Department: Sheriff', 'Department: Corrections', 'Department: Adult Probation', and 'Department: Juvenile'.

Huron County
Claims Register for Payment Batches

Table with columns: Warrant Date, Claimant, PO #, Line #, Line Description, Amount, Warrant #. Includes entries for 'Department: Sheriff', 'Department: Corrections', 'Department: Adult Probation', and 'Department: Juvenile'.

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Claims Register for Payment Batches

Table with columns: Warrant Date, Claimant, Batch ID, PO #, Line #, Line Description, Amount, Warrant #. Includes entries for Bureau Industries Inc, Electric-Jail, Gas Utility-Jail, Trash-Jail, Camera Cloud-Merch, etc.

Claims Register for Payment Batches

Table with columns: Warrant Date, Claimant, Batch ID, PO #, Line #, Line Description, Amount, Warrant #. Includes entries for MainView Animal Hospital Inc, Department Dog & Kennel Total, Sheriff I-V-D Child Support, etc.

Claims Register for Payment Batches

Table with columns: Warrant Date, Claimant, Batch ID, PO #, Line #, Line Description, Amount, Warrant #. Includes entries for Treasurer State of Ohio, Department Public Assistance Total, Child Support Enforcement, etc.

Claims Register for Payment Batches

Table with columns: Warrant Date, Claimant, Batch ID, PO #, Line #, Line Description, Amount, Warrant #. Includes entries for FedEx, Shiping Services, Ship Uniform, Floor Mats, etc.

Claims Register for Payment Batches

Warrant Date	Claimant	Batch ID	PO #/Line #	Line Description	Amount	Warrant #
03/14/2024	Aco Chem Inc	376176	2024-002051	Bath tissue, 1000 sheets, 2000 roll, 24" x 36"	\$710.38	
Account 630.635.00200 (Expenditures) Total:					\$710.38	
Department Commodity Trust Total:					\$710.38	
Fund 630 - Commodity Trust Fund					\$710.38	
Fund 640 - Canine Trust Fund						
Department: Canine Trust Fund						
03/14/2024	Toner Supply Credit Plan	376176	2024-002061	Food for Credit	\$69.99	
Account 640.640.00200 (Expenditures) Total:					\$69.99	
Department Canine Trust Fund Total:					\$69.99	
Fund 640 - Canine Trust Fund Total:					\$69.99	
Grand Total:					\$260,083.15	

Sign 1: *Bruce Wilde*
 Sign 2: *Toby Barr*
 Sign 3: *Kelly Bundy*

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ORIGINATOR	PAY TO NAME	PURCHASE ORDER	TOTAL VALUE	DESCRIPTION	DEPARTMENT
Ms. Stevens	Entering by Design	2024-00811	420.00	CC Meals	377 Emergency Management Agency
Ms. Stevens	Entering by Design	2024-00807	363.75	CC Meals	026 Disaster Service
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			1147.50		

Bruce Wilde
Toby Barr
Kelly Bundy

At 9:05 a.m. Public comment. – *Sheila Poffenbaugh, Norwich Township Resident.* Ms. Poffenbaugh noted she saw that Apex was going to be addressing our Huron County Commissioners again today. Residents in Norwich Township have been seeing stakes put out in their area by a company called American Engineering. When a resident called one of our township trustees to see if they knew what was going on, he told them they were a company hired by Apex to test roads to see if they were capable of handling the heavy loads. I know our County Engineer, Mr. Tansey, has asked Apex several times for a map of where these industrial wind turbines were going to be going. Last I heard he had not received one. Yet this company must have a map. Will our County Engineer be able to see this report to see if he agrees with their findings? I would think Mr. Tansey and his staff would have better idea of our road conditions than an outside company would. There was talk at one time of hiring a third party to help Mr. Tansey and his staff to monitor all this construction that will be traveling on our roadways, and have Apex pay for it. Is that still being negotiated? Is that what this is? Were you, the commissioners, and Mr. Tansey, aware this was going on, since our township trustee was aware of them? Or are you just going to be finding out today from Apex? Do we even have a RUMA yet, which is needed to start this project? Who is monitoring the stipulation agreement you signed to make sure they are complying with it? The County Prosecutor, who recommended you sign it? There is more responsibility to this project by you the commissioners, to the Huron County residents, than just signing a PILOT, a Stipulation and a RUMA. You need to make sure they are following them.

Mr. Boose thanked Ms. Poffenbaugh and stated they would be hearing from Apex later today. He told her they have had consistent communication with Apex and she will hear where their status is on the RUMA later today.

24-097

IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING INTO CONTRACT WITH SENGHAS CONSTRUCTION FOR THE NEW STATE ROAD SUPERSTRUCTURE REPLACEMENT PROJECT FOR THE HURON COUNTY ENGINEER

Bruce Wilde moved to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Resolution 24-043 the bid was awarded to Senghas Construction for the amount of \$305,698.25 for the New State Road Superstructure Replacement project for the Huron County Engineer; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners desires to enter into contract with Senghas Construction, for such goods and services; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby approve entering into contract with Senghas Construction, LaGrange, Ohio for the New State Road Superstructure Replacement project for the Huron County Engineer as attached hereto and expressly incorporate 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.

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

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

**Contract on file*

24-098

IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING INTO CONTRACT WITH SENGHAS CONSTRUCTION FOR THE GREENWICH MILAN TOWNLIN ROAD BRIDGE IIMPROVEMENTS PROJECT FOR THE HURON COUNTY ENGINEER

Bruce Wilde moved to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Resolution 24-045 the bid was awarded to Senghas Construction for the amount of \$154,600.50 for the Greenwich Milan Townline Road Bridge Improvements project for the Huron County Engineer; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners desires to enter into contract with Senghas Construction, for such goods and services; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby approve entering into contract with Senghas Construction, LaGrange, Ohio for the Greenwich Milan Townline Road Bridge Improvements project for the Huron County Engineer as attached hereto and expressly incorporate 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.

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

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

**Contract on file*

24-099

IN THE MATTER OF AWARDING THE BID FOR SECTION LINE ROAD 21 CONCRETE SUPERSTRUCTURE REPLACEMENT PROJECT FOR THE HURON COUNTY ENGINEER

Bruce Wilde moved to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Resolution 24-054 the County Engineer requested authorization to seek bids for the Section Line Road 21 Concrete Superstructure Replacement project; and

WHEREAS, notice was given in accordance with Section 307.87 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, bids were received Friday, February 23, 2024 at 9:00 A.M from the following:

Denes Concrete	\$254,003.50
Senghas Construction	\$276,447.90
RMH Concrete	\$283,396.30
Fechko Excavating	\$291,731.00
R&I Construction	\$295,899.00

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BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby award the bid to Denes Concrete, Wellington, Ohio, for Section Line Road 21 Concrete Superstructure Replacement; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that all further matters relative to this award be coordinated through and with the Huron County Engineer's Office; and further

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

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

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

24-100

IN THE MATTER OF ACCEPTING THE ANNUAL COUNTY HIGHWAY SYSTEM MILEAGE CERTIFICATION

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Huron County Engineer has submitted the Annual County Highway System Mileage Certification; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners approves the Annual County Highway System Mileage Certification presented by the Huron County Engineer 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.

Harry Brady seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Mr. Tansey stated the number was slightly over 224 miles. It was a little different last year. ODOT maintains a GIS database on all of it. Mr. Marett stated that annexations affect it.

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

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



Ohio Department of Transportation

Office of Technical Services

2023 County Highway System Mileage Certification

Note: This form must be submitted to ODOT no later than March 1, 2024 or county mileage will be certified by default based on the best information available.

The total length of county maintained public roads in HURON County was 224,194 miles as of December 31, 2022

As certified by the Board of County Commissioners and/or reported by the Director of Transportation in accordance with the provisions specified in Section 4501.04 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Consider all mileage changes that occurred in CY2023 and determine the net increase or decrease in mileage. Add the net change to the 2022 certified mileage above and fill in the new total below.

We the undersigned, hereby certify that as of December 31, 2023

the county was responsible for maintaining 224,094 miles of public roads.

Signatures and dates of President of Board of County Commissioners, Commissioners, and County Engineer.

Comments section with blank lines.

Please return a completed, signed copy of this form along with proper documentation of any changes made to: Ohio Department of Transportation, Office of Technical Services, Mail Stop #3210, 1980 West Broad St., 2nd Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43223. Attn: Aaron Shivach (614) 466-5135 or aaron.shivach@dot.ohio.gov

24-101

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISEMENT AND LETTING BIDS FOR THE JIM ESKER ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT AT THE HURON COUNTY AIRPORT

Bruce Wilde moved to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, the President of the United States signed into law the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to provide continued relief from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the ARPA program appropriates funds to provide support to State, local, Tribal and Territory governments in responding to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Huron County has applied for and received ARPA funds from the U.S. Department of Treasury under the under the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds established by American Rescue Plan Act of 2021; and

WHEREAS, all funds received from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 shall be expended only to cover costs of the County consistent with the requirements of section 603(c)(1) of ARPA as described in H.R. 1319, and any applicable regulations and guidance only to cover expenses that:

- (1) to respond to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality;
(2) to respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers of the county that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work;
(3) for the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue of such county due to the COVID-19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the county prior to the emergency; or
(4) to make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

WHEREAS, the Huron County Engineer has requested approval for seeking bids for the Jim Esker Road Resurfacing Project; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners has engaged McDonald Hopkins LLC for assistance in determining the eligibility of projects for the use of ARPA funding pursuant to the regulations promulgated for ARPA; and

WHEREAS, McDonald Hopkins LLC has reviewed the Engineer's request and the relevant ARPA regulations and has determined that the use of ARPA funds received by the County may be used to the Jim Esker Road Resurfacing Project at the Huron County Airport under the Revenue Loss Category, a copy of McDonald Hopkins LLC's opinion is attached hereto and expressly incorporated by reference herein; and

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WHEREAS, notice of this must be placed in a newspaper of general circulation and on the County's website pursuant to Section 307.87 of the Ohio Revised Code; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby approve of letting bids for the Jim Esker Road Resurfacing Project at the Huron County Airport; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that notice of this will be placed in a newspaper of general circulation and posted on the County's website www.hccommissioners.com accessed by clicking on legal notices, until the bid is opened on Friday, April 5, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.; and further

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

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

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

ADVERTISEMENT

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids may be submitted on or before the bid opening date of April 5, 2024 until 8:59 a.m. local time, at the Huron County Commissioner's Office, 180 Milan Avenue, Suite 7, Norwalk, Ohio 44857, for the following Project: Jim Esker Road Resurfacing. Bids shall be opened and publicly read aloud at 9:00 a.m.

Bid Documents, including contract terms & conditions, must be obtained for a \$20.00 (check only) non-refundable fee from the Huron County Engineer at 150 Jefferson Street Norwalk Ohio 44857, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (holidays excluded). Bidder may elect to have these documents mailed to them for an additional fee of \$10.00 for shipping.

Each bidder is required to furnish with its proposal a Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond in accordance with Section 153.54 of the Ohio Revised Code. Bid security furnished in Bond form, shall be issued by a Surety Company or Corporation licensed in the State of Ohio to provide said surety.

Each proposal must contain the full name of the party or parties submitting the proposal and all persons interested therein. Each bidder must submit evidence of its experiences on projects of similar size and complexity. The owner intends and requires that this project be completed no later than October 25, 2024.

All contractors and subcontractors involved with the project will to the extent practicable use Ohio products, materials, services, and labor in the implementation of their project. Additionally, contractor compliance with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 123 is required.

Bidders must comply with the prevailing wage rates on Public Improvements in Huron County, Ohio as determined by the Ohio Department of Commerce, Bureau of Wage and Hour Administration, (614) 644-2239.

Bid documents must be obtained from the Huron County Engineer, no copies will be accepted. All bid documents must be submitted bound in their entirety.

The Board of County Commissioners of Huron County reserves the right to waive any and all irregularities in the bids or bidding process and may reject any and all bids.

This advertisement may also be viewed by logging on to <http://www.hccommissioners.com> and clicking on the "Legal Notices" link or <http://www.huroncountyengineer.org> and clicking on the "Bid Information" link.

Advertise:
March 14, 2024
March 21, 2024

24-102

IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING INTO CONTRACT WITH SARVER PAVING COMPANY FOR THE 2024 CHIP AND SEAL PHASE 1 PROJECT FOR THE HURON COUNTY ENGINEER

Bruce Wilde moved to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Resolution 24-077 the bid was awarded to Sarver Paving, Inc. for the amount of \$943,960.00 for the 2024 Chip and Seal Phase 1 project for the Huron County Engineer; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners desires to enter into contract with Sarver Paving Company, for such goods and services; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby approve entering into contract with Sarver Paving Company, Ashland, Ohio for the 2024 Chip and Seal Phase 1 project for the Huron County Engineer as attached hereto and expressly incorporate 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.

Harry Brady seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Mr. Tansey stated this was the chip and seal for county roads. Next week they will be advertising for the township roads.

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

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

**Contract on file*

24-103

IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING INTO CONTRACT WITH SARVER PAVING COMPANY FOR THE FITCHVILLE RIVER ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT FOR THE HURON COUNTY ENGINEER

Bruce Wilde moved to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Resolution 24-076 the bid was awarded to Sarver Paving, Inc. for the amount of \$558,190.50 for the Fitchville River Road Resurfacing project for the Huron County Engineer; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners desires to enter into contract with Sarver Paving Company, for such goods and services; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby approve entering into contract with Sarver Paving Company, Ashland, Ohio for the Fitchville River Road Resurfacing project for the Huron County Engineer as attached hereto and expressly incorporate 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.

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

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

**Contract on file*

24-104

IN THE MATTER OF AWARDING THE BID FOR ZENOBIA ROAD CONCRETE SUPERSTRUCTURE REPLACEMENT PROJECT FOR THE HURON COUNTY ENGINEER

Bruce Wilde moved to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Resolution 24-065 the County Engineer requested authorization to seek bids for the Zenobia Road Concrete Superstructure Replacement project; and

WHEREAS, notice was given in accordance with Section 307.87 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, bids were received Friday, March 1, 2024 at 9:00 A.M from the following:

R&I Construction	\$311,618.00
RMH Concrete	\$318,244.40
Denes Concrete	\$331,240.20
Great Lakes Demolition	\$337,166.80
Fechko Excavating	\$340,213.00

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby award the bid to R&I Construction, Tiffin, Ohio, for the Zenobia Road Concrete Superstructure Replacement project; and

FURTHER IT BE RESOLVED, that all further matters relative to this award be coordinated through and with the Huron County Engineer’s Office; and further

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

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

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

24-105

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-2 (DRAW #8) SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD MARCH 12, 2024

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; and

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.

Harry Brady seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Ms. Ziemba stated this draw was in the amount \$156,861 for full rehabs of homes in Willard and New London.

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

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

Submit to: Development Services Agency Office of Community Development P.O. Box 1061 Columbus, Ohio 43216-1001		Name and Address of Grantee: Huron County Commissioners 180 Miller Ave Norwell, Ohio 44857		ODG E.S. RIF Balance: ODG Housing P J Balance: Home Program Income Balance:			
Contact Person Information Name: Marla Walters Phone number: (619) 333-6118 Email: mwalter@ocdap.org		Grant Number: B-C-21-1B1-2		Date: Voucher: Warrant#			
Draw Number: 8							
Project NBR	Project Name	Activity NBR	Activity Name	Housing Site Address (if applicable)	Amount Requested	Approved Activity/20th Budget (\$)	Balance of Activity/20th Budget (\$)
1	Rehabilitation Assistance	1	Private Rehabilitation	123 W Maple, Willard	80961.00	100961.00	5000.00
1	Rehabilitation Assistance	1	Private Rehabilitation	175 W Main St, New London	75900.00	88687.00	17787.00
Program Income					72,339.00		
Total Amount of this Draw:					156861.00	189648.00	22787.00
Certification of Remission 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:		Signature:		Title:			
3/12/24		Terry Boose		President			
Date:		Countersignature:		Title:			
3/12/24		Marla Walters		V.P.			
State Use Only:							
Approved:							

24-106

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISEMENT AND LETTING BIDS FOR THE RUNWAY OBSTRUCTION REMOVAL PROJECT AT THE HURON COUNTY AIRPORT

Bruce Wilde moved to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of Richland Engineering that certain work be performed for Runway Obstruction Removal at the Huron County Airport; and

WHEREAS, the Airport Authority Board has received a Notice of Project Approval (NPA) from ODOT, Office of Aviation for the “Obstruction Removal, Trees Runway 10/28” Project and a commitment 95% of the eligible costs of the project up to a maximum of \$118,750.00; and

WHEREAS, the Airport Authority Board has agreed to provide the five percent (5%) local match required for this grant; and

WHEREAS, the Airport Authority Board, has requested approval to seek bids for the Runway Obstruction Removal Project at the Huron County Airport; and

WHEREAS, notice of this must be placed in a newspaper of general circulation and on the County’s website pursuant to Section 307.87 of the Ohio Revised Code; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby authorize the Huron County Airport to let the bids for the Runway Obstruction Removal Project at the Huron County Airport; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that notice of this will be placed in a newspaper of general circulation and on the County’s website www.hccommissioners.com by clicking on the Legal Notices link until the bid is opened on Thursday, March 28, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.; and further

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

Harry Brady seconded the motion.

***Discussion:** Mr. Boose asked if this was removal on our land or other people's property. Mr. Brady stated it was removal of trees on airport property. They have been surveyed and staked. Mr. Boose asked if there had been any discussion on how they plan to maintain the area once the trees are removed. It seems ridiculous that every so many years we have to go out and remove trees. Mr. Brady said this isn't for the trees that grew up at the end of the runway. This was for the trees that exist predominantly on the east side of 601 at that approach; that field is owned by the airport. Those are the trees that have encroached. One of the residents over there has already removed a lot of those trees because he didn't want the airport cutting his down. It is the trees at the west end, on the south side, that seem to be a bit of an issue in working with the landowner. Mr. Brady said he had a conversation with Mr. Sparks yesterday. The owners of the Storage Masters property went ahead and had all the scrub trees removed. Mr. Boose asked how their drainage was. Mr. Brady didn't know, but said the fire department wanted a road in there so they would be able to access it if there was an issue, so they took them down. They are willing to get rid of the obstructions on that side, it is the south side that is the issue.

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

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

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Separate sealed bids for the project "**Runway Obstruction Removal**" at the **Huron County Airport** will be received by the office of the Huron County Commissioners, 180 Milan Avenue, Suite 7, Norwalk, Ohio 44857 until **9:00 a.m. local time, March 28, 2024**, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.

The Information for Bidders, Form of Bid, Form of Contract, Plans, Specifications, and Forms of Bid Bond, Performance and Payment Bond, and other contract documents may be examined at the following:

1. The office of the Huron County Commissioners, 180 Milan Avenue, Suite 7, Norwalk, Ohio 44857.
2. Richland Engineering Limited, 29 North Park Street, Mansfield, Ohio 44902.

Copies may be obtained at the office of Richland Engineering Limited, 29 North Park Street, Mansfield, Ohio 44902 upon payment of \$10.00 for each set. Checks shall be made payable to Richland Engineering Limited and all documents become the property of the prospective bidder, with no portion of the payment being refunded.

The Huron County Commissioners will not accept and/or consider any bid as an official bid unless said bidder has picked up and paid for a complete bid package from Richland Engineering Limited. In order to bid this project, you must be a plan holder of record with Richland Engineering Limited.

Each bidder must deposit with his bid, security in the amount, form and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidders.

Each bidder is required to furnish with its proposal, a Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond in accordance with Section 153.54 of the Ohio Revised Code. Bid security furnished in Bond form, shall be issued by a Surety Company or Corporation licensed in the State of Ohio to provide said Surety.

Each proposal must contain the full name of the party or parties submitting the proposal and all persons interested therein. Each bidder must submit evidence of its experiences on projects of similar size and complexity. The Owner intends and requires that this project be completed within 90 days from the Notice to Proceed.

All contractors and subcontractors involved with the project will, to the extent practicable use Ohio Products, materials, services, and labor in the implementation of their project. Additionally, contractor compliance with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 123, the Governor's Executive Order of 1972, and Governor's Executive Order 84-9 shall be required.

Bidders must comply with the prevailing wage rates on Public Improvements within Huron County as determined by the United States Department of Labor in accordance with Federal-Aid requirements.

The Huron County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids, to waive any informalities in any bid, (but is not obligated to do so) and to determine the lowest and best bidder.

No pre-bid meeting is planned for the project. It is advised that all bidders visit the project site prior to submitting any bid.

REGULAR SESSION

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March 20, 2024

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**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING REQUESTS FOR EXPENDITURE OF OVER \$5,000.00
SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD MARCH 12, 2024**

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, requests for expenditures of over \$5,000.00 have been submitted for approval by the Board of Huron County Commissioners as follows:

Buildings & Grounds (022-00200 Equip)

Deere & Company	John Deere Z950M ZTrak mower	\$11,439.93	now therefore
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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves of the requests for expenditure of over \$5,000.00 as listed above; and further

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

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

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

IN THE MATTER OF TRAVEL

Bruce Wilde moved to approve the following travel request this day. Harry Brady seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

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

Lenora Minor, Ashley Smith, Lara Hozalski, Heather Carmen-Stanley, Alix Siemer, Kathy Ott, Renee King, Silvia Hernandez, Sandy Burras, Jessica Dendinger, Reanne Smith, Carlie Osborn, Kim Jenkins, Megan Holland, Marissa Saley, and Tira Hunter, JFS, to Columbus, Ohio for Director’s Conference on May 9 – 10, 2024.

SIGNINGS

Bruce Wilde moved to approve purchasing a 2015 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 truck from Sharpnack in the amount of \$15,135.00 as quoted. Harry Brady seconded the motion.

**Discussion: the payment will be made from the Buildings & Grounds 022-00200 equipment line. Mr. Boose noted they have been looking for a truck for a while now.*

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

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

exclusively for Huron County Commissioners
By: Jerod Leitz

VEHICLE INFORMATION		YEAR	2015	February 14, 2024
STOCK #	P4764B	MAKE	Chevrolet	
VIN #	1GGNGPEH1FZ350388	MODEL	Silverado 1500 2WD	
MILEAGE	78773	STYLE	Reg Cab Work Truck	
ENGINE	4.3L	COLOR	WHITE	
TRANS.	Automatic			

VEHICLE EQUIPMENT LIST		Sale Price	\$15,000.00
2WD	Daytime Running Lights	Trade Value	\$0.00
ABS (4-Wheel)	Hill Start Assist Control	+ Tax	\$0.00
Air Bags (Side): Front	MyLink	Doc Fee	\$100.00
Air Bags: Dual Front	Power Door Locks	+ Payoff	\$0.00
Air Bags: Head Curtain	Power Steering	+ Fees	\$35.00
Air Conditioning	StabiliTrak	Total	\$15,135.00
AM/FM Stereo	Tilt Wheel	Balance Due	\$15,135.00
Auto 6-Spd HD Overdrive	Traction Control		
Bluetooth Connection	Wheels: Steel		
Cruise Control			

-- All payments and rate quotes are approximate and subject to approved credit --

Huron County Commissioners Acceptance *Jerry Boone*
Dealer Signature _____

At 9:49 a.m. Jess Walsh & Callie Chaplain, Apex Clean Energy with the Emerson Creek Project update. Ms. Walsh knew that issues had already come up, and that was what they wanted to talk about today - the RUMA and the studies they have going on. Ms. Chaplain explained the road study is part of the transportation study which is in the RUMA. They have been talking to the county engineer and the commissioners for a couple weeks now organizing this study. Last week AET was out in the field staking out locations to provide boring locations to the county engineer. Due to weather they were a little delayed on getting a map of those boring locations. It has been pushed out to the week of the 25th. Mr. Green has requested to go out and check the backfill of the borings. Ms. Walsh added that the purpose of this is so the know the conditions of the road and what those upgrades will look like when it gets to the point of construction. Ms. Chaplain said they are talking to the townships as well. She does have to call them back and let them know the schedule has been pushed out. It is a public road study, so it will only be county and township roads, no private.

Mr. Tansey said they did approve the locations. These are destructive tests, they are not happy about it. But it is the only way to determine what the subgrade conditions are of the roads. In his opinion it is a little late to be doing this. This should be step one in an analysis of a roadway. The engineering staff needs the actual load to determine what that road can withstand. There is still a long way to go on these analysis for these roads. They have been discussing this for several years, this is the information they need. They recommend the townships follow our recommendations, but ultimately they can't tell them what to do on their roads. Mr. Wilde stated but if they do not, that is their road. Mr. Tansey agreed, but said this is just to help them determine what that road can withstand. Their engineering staff needs to provide them reports indicating soil conditions, road base materials, and the amount of traffic they are predicting. That analysis determines if that road can handle it or not. Mr. Brady asked about the size of the borings. Ms. Chaplain stated they will start with 2.5-inch diameter bores, two every mile. They will do 4-inch borings where necessary. But it will be backfilled. Mr. Tansey stated they are required to use grout. They end up with a chunk of concrete in the asphalt, which is a maintenance issue. They don't like that on the road surface but they can't do an analysis without it. Mr. Tansey said they are typically four inches, he didn't know what they were using. Ms. Chaplain stated the 2.5s will kind of crumble the core, so 4-inches definitely gets it a better layer sample.

Mr. Wilde asked about the RUMA. Ms. Walsh said she cleaned up the old draft shortly after she was in last time. Last week they did receive comments back from Mr. Strickler and Mr. Green, separately. She knows she owes them feedback on that. She thinks they have been down to the same few issues for a little while now. She thought trading drafts back and forth was making some progress, but not as quickly as sitting down in person. Mr. Boone said he would personally be more comfortable when the RUMA is done. Mr. Strickler and Mr. Tansey both agreed they were close. Mr. Tansey said what was brought up earlier with the third party, that is a make or break for them. They suggest following ODOT's process; it is straightforward, with no bias. They can work with everybody but they need that third wheel to keep tabs on the project. Mr. Boone said when they were in the beginning stages of this project, it was his thought that there could be some additional costs to Mr. Tansey. Mr. Tansey noted there was extra time already, just doing the preliminary stuff. Mr. Boone said he was willing to make sure he was reimbursed for some of that. Eventually, whether it is before or after we start getting the PILOT money, money is coming into

the General Fund. Mr. Boose thought some of that money should be used for the engineer for doing his job. Mr. Tansey said in general the outstanding things in the RUMA have been outstanding for a while. They need Apex to agree to the few things they have. He feels they are necessary for their office to monitor this project like they should. With an office their size that is their biggest fear – there is no way to monitor so much going on without help. The commissioners see his bills and what it costs to hire a consultant. It doesn't take long for that dollar value to grow quickly. Mr. Tansey stated it was protecting the tax payers of Huron County.

Mr. Wilde asked Ms. Walsh if she were aware of the two or three items Mr. Tansey was referring to. She said yes, it was her understanding they were not arguing about having a third party. Their biggest hang up was the transportation plan, how long the review time is. She thought the engineer had requested 120 days. Given the fact that there will be a third party doing a lot of that work they would like to see that be shorter. Mr. Tansey thought that could be shorter, but they haven't received the data they are looking for. They need the longer period of time because step one data is soil boring data. By the time they do it, send it to the lab, analyze it, they are talking months before his office even sees the report. That is the kind of information they were looking for last year. Mr. Tansey said just to hire the consultant they are looking at 60 days after it is posted on ODOT's website. They need timeframes to give to the consultant. The longer they have to do interviews the more confident they are they did their job.

At 10:05 a.m. Kathleen Schaffer, Treasurer & Megan Bursley. Ms. Schaffer requested that the commissioners appoint Megan Bursley to the position of treasurer when she vacates the office on March 31. This would only be until Ms. Bursley is officially appointed. Mr. Brady said they knew that nobody had filed to run for the treasurer's office, except for Ms. Bursley. He had no qualms about appointing her, especially given the fact that Ms. Schaffer was recommending her. Mr. Boose asked if elected, when would her term begin. Ms. Schaffer said the election will be in November. The actual term will start in September 2025. It is odd because of tax collection; it starts the first Monday in September. Mr. Boose clarified the appointment would be for about a year and a half. Mr. Strickler said just the remaining term. Mr. Boose said the Clerk of Courts did something similar in December. What they did at that time was, they left it open for a week just in case there was someone out there that wanted to do it. He thought they needed to give the public an opportunity. Ms. Ziemba clarified what dates she would need to use for the resolution. Ms. Schaffer said her last official day was Sunday, March 31. So, they would need Ms. Bursley appointed as of April 1

Mr. Boose said they would prepare the resolution for next week, just in case there was something out there somebody wanted to bring up. He asked Ms. Bursley to explain what her job currently was. Ms. Bursley stated she has been a Deputy Auditor for just over 20 years, mainly in the Data Processing department. Ms. Schaffer noted that Ms. Bursley already knows the software programs, budgeting and a lot of what they do.

At 10:20 a.m. the board recessed

At 10:27 a.m. the board resumed regular session

OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Boose explained they had previously discussed providing trash containers around the townships, cities, and villages during the eclipse. During recess Mr. Welch asked Mr. Boose if the county wanted dumpster on their property. Mr. Boose thought they should discuss it in open session. What he thought they should take into consideration was the fact that all the company was going to do was come pick up the dumpster. If there was trash laying around, we are the ones that will have to pick it up. Mr. Brady said he could see reasons to do it and reasons not to do it. Mr. Welch said that everything he has read about eclipses in other areas is that there is going to be a lot of trash generated. If you don't provide a place to capture some of it, it is going to end up on the ground. You are not going to capture all of it if you put dumpsters out, but you might limit the cleanup a little bit. Unfortunately, they will be picking up for a couple weeks afterwards, he did not think there was any way to avoid it. He thought if they could minimize it they should. Mr. Wilde thought that was a good idea. Mr. Welch said he would recommend putting them at JFS and the Administration building. He was trying to think of wide-open lots where people would be parking. Maybe BMV. Mr. Boose said they don't want it behind JFS. Also, he said they will need to get permission from Ms. Minor. Mr. Boose did not have a problem putting one at the Administration building, but he thought they should separate it from the recyclables. Mr. Welch pointed out that most of his recyclables were trash anyway. Mr. Boose asked if the key was to make them highly visible, or just to have them available? He asked because he thought a better place would be out by the Dog Warden's office, in that area, as opposed to Job & Family Services. Mr. Welch said it would depend on where people were going to park and watch. JFS was pretty wide open. Mr. Boose said he was not looking for the place where they were going to watch the eclipse, he was looking for the place where they are going to put the trash. Mr. Welch said they are going to put the trash where they are watching the eclipse. They are not going to carry trash from one place to another. Mr. Boose said we can't have dumpsters at every place people can watch the eclipse. Mr. Welch said he agreed, he thought they were trying to minimize the damage that would occur. Mr. Boose thought they should have one out on Shady Lane somewhere. He would like Mr. Welch to talk to Ms.

Minor about it, and make sure to tell her the commissioners do not want it in the back. Mr. Boose asked if he could think of other places they might need one. Mr. Welch did not think anyone would be downtown. He thought Shady Lane and the Administration building were the most likely spots. Mr. Wilde thought maybe the fairgrounds. Mr. Boose asked Mr. Welch to talk to Mr. Morgan. He thought they may already have it taken care of because they are having events out there. But he should let Mr. Morgan know they will haul the trash once. We are not paying for their trash for the whole weekend, unless it all falls in the one dumpster, then that's fine. After discussion it was decided to put one either in their parking lot or in the campground, and tell the fair board that is to be used for people just parking and coming into the event. It is not for the trash inside where the events are going to be held. Mr. Boose thought if they do put one at JFS, it should be put on the opposite side of the jail so it wasn't backing up to the jail. Mr. Welch said it would have to go on the west side or north side of JFS because all the vehicles are parked on the other side. Mr. Boose thought they could ask Ms. Minor to move the vehicles; he would keep it away from the jail if they could.

Assistant Prosecutor report

Ms. Ziemba asked if the had any revisions done on the transit lease. Mr. Strickler said he would do them tomorrow. Ms. Ziemba said she had received another email from her.

Commissioner Boose report

Mr. Boose wanted to make sure the commissioners were aware there was a meeting at JFS today at 2:30 regarding opioid settlement money and how you can apply. The state has now officially opened the website. If you are a vendor you can apply to set yourself up on the website. They strongly recommend that people sign up, even if they don't have a project at this time. It will just make it a lot easier, plus then you are part of the system. The first application process for the Region 19 money is April 2 through May 2. The application has to be done on the state website. The state is not going to pick projects, they are just going to make sure it abides by the Memorandum of Understanding. Then it is up to the region to decide on the project. Region 19 is set up so half of the money will be assigned to the counties, the other half will be for the whole region. You would apply to the region and everybody looks at it. There is currently about \$3.4 million in the region. \$1.7 million will be divided amongst the counties. They used the MHAS formula to determine how to divide it between the counties. When you do an application you need to know which pot of money you are applying for. There is roughly \$179,000 in their now for Huron County. Mr. Boose thought one of the things they should probably do as commissioners is go back and see when money flows in over the year. Mr. Boose also said he was going to share contact information with Mr. Brady. This is step one in what is probably going to be a 20 to 25-year issue.

Mr. Boose said he attended the fair board meeting last Thursday. The fair board voted and approved moving forward with the building, with the idea that the commissioners will provide up to \$300,000 and would also loan them some money. Mr. Boose asked Mr. Strickler if he had a chance to look into the loan. Mr. Strickler said the law is kind of vague on it, however the statute does say the commissioners are able to assist the fair board in giving them money. He thought they could structure something stating the commissioners would give them so much and they would reimburse us. Mr. Boose wanted to start working on that so everybody was clear that this money is available. Right now they believe we will be able to loan them the \$300,000 to be paid over ten years. Mr. Wilde stated that was the intent. Mr. Strickler said they could do an agreement between the two boards. Mr. Boose said they talked about the fact that if the fair board gets any other money coming in it would reduce the amount the commissioners pay and/or the board would have to pay.

Mr. Boose wanted to note that there was a grant that just came out two weeks ago for the fair. The fair is applying for that money, but not to use for the building. They have a big problem with drainage, especially on the western end of the fairgrounds. Because of some of the land they are clearing, other parts of the fairground are draining that way and backing it up. We are talking some pretty considerable drainage issues they want to pay for. This would also include repairing any blacktop they have to go through. The way Mr. Boose understood it, if there is money left over they would use it to blacktop the west entrance because so many people use it. Until they get numbers, they won't know for sure.

At 10:55 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) (2) To consider the purchase of property for public purposes, or for the sale of property at competitive bidding, if premature disclosure of information would give an unfair competitive or bargaining advantage to a person whose personal, private interest is adverse to the general public interest. Harry Brady seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

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

At 12:22 p.m. Bruce Wilde moved to end Executive Session ORC 121.22 (G)(1) & (G)(2). Harry Brady seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Aye – Terry Boose

Aye – Harry Brady

Aye – Bruce Wilde

**No action taken*

Mr. Boose said he printed out the list indicating how counties rank as far as the possibility of getting state money for jails from CCAO Counties Current. We are 40 out of 88 counties, and would 54% of the project paid for by the state.

Budget Discussion

Ms. Ziemba had provided updated budget sheets. What she added from last Thursday's meeting was listed in the notes. This included: increasing the **Commissioners' Travel** line by \$5,000; they earmarked \$50,000 in case they discuss **longevity** later in the year; added \$50,000 for **EMA** in case they find a vehicle to replace the Suburban; \$100,000 for the **jail transport van**; \$120,000 for possible loan to the **airport**. She asked if that was going to be enough. Mr. Boose thought it would. Ms. Ziemba said they had also put \$600,000 in **Permanent Improvement** that could be transferred in with the last quarter if it is not used for **General Fund** purposes. Mr. Boose clarified that would be in **099**.

Ms. Ziemba had a question after listening to the fairgrounds discussion. She thought it sounded like that was pretty much a done deal once they get a contract. She asked if that should be budgeted in the **Miscellaneous/Other Fairgrounds** line. They cannot transfer money to them in **099**, so she suggested just putting it in that account now. There was also still \$50,000 in their **Other Expense** line. Ms. Ziemba thought that was from the last barn. She asked if she could remove that and put \$600,000 in there. Mr. Boose thought they should keep the \$50,000 in in case they come up with another project. Everyone agreed that was okay.

Ms. Ziemba reference the sheet where she broke out all the projects under **021, 099**, etc. In **310** she left and highlighted in red the projects she got from the meeting minutes and from Mr. Welch that could potentially be paid out of **310**. They were not addressed last week. Mr. Wilde thought it looked correct. Mr. Boose explained that was the reason he thought they needed to move \$600,000 into **310** because they will possibly be spending \$600,000. That was what was discussed last week.

Mr. Boose clarified that \$26,419, 852.30 was the amount they have an estimate for the budget, and everything balances as of right now. Ms. Ziemba said that was correct. She noted that Mr. Wilde and Mr. Brady had meetings with the **Auditor, Board of Elections** and **Sheriff** to determine the amounts that had been earmarked in **099** that they had pulled out of their account lines. She asked if they wanted to discuss those. Mr. Wilde said he talked to the Auditor. He is okay with everything the auditor is doing with people leaving. Mr. Brady agreed, saying it made sense. He had a conversation with the sheriff. There were some issues with the SRO contracts he assured Mr. Brady would be getting corrected before the new contracts at the beginning of the next school year. Discussion regarding the Norwalk City school resource officer. Mr. Boose mentioned the report on the Uvalde school shooting and the issues they had as far as who had jurisdiction. He thought this could become a problem for Norwalk City Schools if they continued to use a sheriff's deputy as their school resource officer.

Ms. Ziemba noted they had moved money out of accounts for **Data Processing, Auditor, Real Estate Assessment, Board of Elections, Sheriff Road Patrol** and **Sheriff Jail**. The question was, did they want to move those monies back into the accounts where they originally were, or did they want to leave them where they currently have them, in **099**. Mr. Wilde wanted to move it back. Mr. Brady agreed, but also wanted to make sure they get the issue with the Norwalk City School resource officer resolved. Mr. Boose said that two commissioners want to move the money back. That is a majority and they always operate on a majority. The only thing he wanted to say was, he did not know that they had anything resolved. But if two people want them moved back, then he told Ms. Ziemba she should move them back.

Mr. Boose wanted to talk about **Clerk of Courts Salary**. They have the figures for the raises that were done on March 12, 2023. After the 5% rate increase, the gross salaries for that pay period are \$11,998.60. If they take \$11,998.60 x 1.05, that comes to \$12,598.53, which would be a 5% increase over what was given them last year. The amount of the December payroll was \$12,337.55. The difference between \$12,598.53 and the \$12,337.55 was \$260.98. Mr. Boose said the \$260.98 times 26 pay periods was \$6,785.48. That would be what they needed to add to last years' salary so that they receive an overall 5% increase. Included in that salary line from last year was \$7,000 in bonuses. Mr. Boose said his recommendation would be, there is \$7,000 included now. If they give the 5% increase, they would need to add \$6,785. Those two pretty much offset each other. After discussion everyone agreed to leave the salary

line item where it was for the 2023 budget. They will discuss this with Ms. Hartman when Mr. Boose and Ms. Ziemba meet with her next Tuesday. Mr. Boose thought if, through their discussion Ms. Hartman comes up with an alternative, whatever it may be, they can figure out a budget with that alternative.

Ms. Ziemba said she would put the numbers back in for the **Auditor's** accounts, **Board of Elections** accounts, **Sheriff's** accounts. They are working on the **Clerk of Courts** accounts. She already moved the money for the **Fair** board. Ms. Bursley usually wants the budget all at once, but Ms. Ziemba will see if they can send what they have done now. Mr. Boose said he was all for sending some if it ahead of time; they have agreed on everything but **Clerk of Courts** and **Contingencies**.

Mr. Boose asked Ms. Ziemba about the longevity that was added. He asked what account that was under. Ms. Ziemba said it was **099/Transfer Out**.

Discussion regarding the water heaters at the jail. The sheriff had sent Ms. Ziemba an email saying he needed to replace two water heaters at the jail. They had been inspected and failed. He had one quote for almost \$27,000. Ms. Ziemba asked him to get another quote. He is working on it.

There were some things Mr. Boose wanted Ms. Ziemba to remember. Anything they do for child care at South Norwalk Road, they should remember the Gerken Center. Ms. Ziemba said that was what she wanted to remind them. Mr. Boose said there was nothing but good intentions. Ms. Ziemba said the one that really stuck out was they paid to put stuff down on the playground. Then they had to remove it all and replace it with something else. That was a double expense. Mr. Boose said there were always questions over who had to pay for what. Also, the discussion was not only who paid for what, but who had the authority to order what. He said another example was the park on Shady Lane Drive. Who pays for wood chucks? Who pays for cleaning out the ditch? The Park Board say they manage it, but we are mowing it. Ms. Ziemba brought up the NCAT lease. The question came up about trash out there. The issues we have in one building need to go in every lease, because it is going to come up eventually. Whether it is utilities, cleaning supplies, it should be standardized for all those things we know we are going to encounter. Even a local contact person. For instance, NCAT. We know we can contact Ms. Habig, but what if she is not available? Who is the local person to contact? It would be nice to have that name and number available. Mr. Boose thought that also applied to the Park Board. Do they need somebody's approval to take down the trees out there? Who do they contact to find out? Discussion regarding the Park Board. The Juvenile Court Judge appoints the members, but no one was sure if he oversaw them. Mr. Boose thought he did. Mr. Boose said they need to talk to somebody about when they have the arborist go out there.

Ms. Ziemba said that State Agriculture reached out to find out why we did not have a bee inspector. There are multiple counties struggling the same way we are. He asked if they could advertise for us. She told him absolutely. She told him we would do what we could to help as well.

Mr. Wilde said that last Friday he had a Land Bank meeting with MAkSolves, who is the company they hired to do all the reporting. They discussed the Shady Lane property and it got very confusing. Mr. Wilde would like to have them come into a meeting to explain everything.

At 1:37 p.m. Bruce Wilde moved to adjourn. Harry Brady 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 March 12, 2024.

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 1:37 p.m.

Signatures on File

REGULAR SESSION

TUESDAY

MARCH 12, 2024

The following bids for the New Bucket Truck were opened on March 15, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.:

New Bucket Truck

Bid Opening: Friday, March 15, 2024 9:00 a.m.

Purchase of New Bucket Truck as specified.

**Delivered to 150 Jefferson St, Norwalk, Ohio 44857
(1) Lump Sum**

NO BIDS RECEIVED

The following bids for the Pavement Marking project were opened on March 15, 2024 at 9:05 a.m.:

Pavement Marking Project 2024 <i>Bid Opening: Friday, March 15, 2024, 9:05 a.m.</i>											
Ref.	Item	Description	Quant.	Unit	Unit Cost	Total Cost	Oglesby Construction, Inc.		Griffin Pavement Striping		American Roadway Logistics, Inc.
1	103.05	Premium Contract Bond	1	LS	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
2	614	Mobilization	1	Ea.	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
3	624	Maintaining Traffic	1	LS	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 2,000.00
4	642	Center Line, 4", Type 1, as per plan	95	Mile	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 114,000.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 66,500.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 71,250.00	\$ 950.00
5	642	Edge Line, 4", Type 1, as per plan	73	Mile	\$ 900.00	\$ 65,700.00	\$ 588.00	\$ 42,924.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 43,800.00	\$ 650.00
6	642	Two-Way Radio Equipment	1	LS	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,000.00
7	Special	Contingencies	1	LS	\$ 4,300.00	\$ 4,300.00	\$ 4,300.00	\$ 4,300.00	\$ 4,300.00	\$ 4,300.00	\$ 4,300.00
						TOTAL =	\$ 190,000.00	\$ 118,425.00	\$ 124,500.00	\$ 148,000.00	\$ 148,000.00