

The Board of Huron County Commissioners met this date in Regular Session. Roll being called found the following members present: Harry Brady and Tom Dunlap.

The following were also in attendance: Vickie Ziemba, Administrator/Clerk; Jon White, Resident; Patricia Didion, Resident; Madeline Anderson, Norwalk Ohio News; Jamin Anderson, Norwalk Ohio News; Roland Tkach, Huron County Auditor.

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### **IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT TO THE HURON COUNTY GROWTH PARTNERSHIP GOVERNING BOARD**

Harry Brady moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, Pursuant to Resolution 24-197, the Board of Huron County Commissioners shall appoint a representative to the voting seat on the governing board of directors of Huron County Growth Partnership; and

**WHEREAS**, Bradley R. Mesenburg has resigned from his position as commissioner leaving a vacancy on the Huron County Growth Partnership Governing Board and Tom Dunlap has been selected to fulfill his unexpired term for 2025; now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby appoints Tom Dunlap to the Huron County Growth Partnership Governing Board for the remainder of 2025; 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.

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

Aye – Harry Brady  
Aye – Tom Dunlap

### **IN THE MATTER OF TRAVEL**

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

Aye – Harry Brady  
Aye – Tom Dunlap

Joel Riedy, IT, to Logan Ohio on October 2, 2025 for HB 96 cybersecurity education and compliance.

### **SIGNINGS-None**

### **At 9:04 a.m. Public comment - None**

### **At 9:15 a.m. Auditor Roland Tkach:**

Homestead exemption and House Bill 96 – Mr. Tkach did the calculations for the residents of Norwalk, in Norwalk there are 990 homestead exempted properties. In Huron County the total is \$4,050.00. If you look at the Norwalk Schools there \$1,182.00 If you look at the Ehope school district there is \$2,789.00 and the Huron County Health Department there is \$3,863.00, the reason why that number is different is because the City of Bellevue is not in the health district. This is for a resident in Norwalk the amount that they saved in homestead was \$429.34, which was reimbursed by the state of Ohio. When he calculates the revenue, that number does include the rollbacks. For every levy that a Norwalk tax payer would look at there is how much the savings is. The general fund to the City of Norwalk is \$23.52. The inside millage to the general fund is 2.40 the other portion of the inside millage goes to the fireman's fund and the police pension; those tax rates never change so the inside millage to the city is 3. If you were to enact a piggy back homestead by levy it shows how much it would be shorted, the total for the City of Norwalk would be \$47,639, the county would be \$83,350, MHAS \$12,312, Huron County board of DD would lose \$109,723; 911 \$13690; Senior center \$10,370; Norwalk Schools would be \$327,390; Ehope 118,725; and the health department \$19,392.00. In this scenario the total loss would \$742,591. The total amount of the homestead rollback throughout the county was 1.5 million, this is only a snippet. The premise was to see how this would effect a Norwalk City resident. Mr. Dunlap said asked where they are at with this. Mr. Tkach said the Ohio legislature allows county commissioners to cut revenue from other entities without ever potentially hearing their story. This is a huge shift from the way it always has been that if the state

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wants to give tax relief the state pays for it. Mr. Dunlap said from what he understands from House Bill 96 they are still going to give the initial back. Mr. Tkach said the homestead exemption has not changed for the state, this is only an option per county. According to bulletin 2025-10 that the CCAO has put out had this information. If you do nothing the state still has the homestead exemption. Mr. Brady said for homeowner in Norwalk on \$100,000 valuation it was a piggyback put in what is the savings amount or average? Mr. Tkach stated \$429.34, homestead exemption is \$28,000 off the market value, regardless of what the house is worth. If you want to know about the 2.5% rollback that is more completed because it depends on how much a house is worth. They did run one number on that. Mr. Dunlap stated the senior citizen owned a 100,000 they would get \$429.34 back. This is a significant savings. Mr. Tkach said for the 2.5% the only number he has to the Norwalk Schools, that would cut \$244,457.00. Homestead exemption has not changed for the state.

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|                 | Tax Year 2023 | Tax Year 2024 |          |
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|                 | Pay 2024      | Pay 2025      |          |
| Schools         |               |               |          |
| Bellevue        | 18.800699     | 16.857867     | 1.942832 |
| Edison          | 19.910262     | 16.241733     | 3.668529 |
| Buckeye Central | 21.046539     | 15.891260     | 5.155279 |
| Monroeville     | 19.978190     | 15.958116     | 4.020074 |
| New London      | 19.958612     | 15.612570     | 4.343550 |
| Norwalk City    | 19.988992     | 16.677941     | 3.311051 |
| South Central   | 20.083379     | 15.491279     | 4.592100 |
| Wellington      | 19.995968     | 15.806138     | 4.189830 |
| Western Reserve | 19.996890     | 15.910130     | 4.086760 |
| Willard City    | 19.968697     | 16.162295     | 3.806402 |

Mr. Tkach reported on 20-mil floors pertaining to school district tax. He referenced a sheet passed out to the board. If the legislature would back off, they could be looking at tax cuts everywhere. Mr. Brady said this isn’t just one school district its all school districts in Ohio. Mr., Tkach said he doesn’t know how to make this fair for everyone in the state but he thinks it could be the 20-mil floor with schools. Mr. Dunlap stated they are talking to other counties to see if this is a viable option and seeing what they can do.

Mr. Tkach reported on the status of sales tax, revenue and expense for the county.

| 2025 General Fund spending |            |            |  |        |                     |              |  |  |  | 2025 General Fund Revenue |            |  |  |        |            |  |  |  |  |
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| YTD                        |            |            |  |        | Budget              |              |  |  |  | YTD                       |            |  |  |        | Budget     |  |  |  |  |
| January                    | 2,023,359  |            |  | 6.58%  |                     |              |  |  |  | 1,597,150                 |            |  |  | 8.05%  |            |  |  |  |  |
| February                   | 1,426,317  | 3,448,676  |  | 11.21% |                     |              |  |  |  | 1,740,107                 | 3,337,257  |  |  | 16.82% |            |  |  |  |  |
| March                      | 1,545,285  | 5,084,962  |  | 16.56% |                     |              |  |  |  | 1,046,117                 | 7,383,375  |  |  | 37.22% |            |  |  |  |  |
| April                      | 1,967,145  | 7,062,109  |  | 22.88% |                     |              |  |  |  | 1,453,157                 | 8,836,632  |  |  | 44.54% |            |  |  |  |  |
| May                        | 1,486,208  | 8,548,314  |  | 27.79% |                     |              |  |  |  | 1,638,685                 | 10,475,227 |  |  | 52.80% |            |  |  |  |  |
| June                       | 2,059,026  | 10,607,941 |  | 34.49% |                     |              |  |  |  | 1,743,866                 | 12,215,184 |  |  | 61.50% |            |  |  |  |  |
| July                       | 1,691,221  | 12,295,162 |  | 39.88% |                     |              |  |  |  | 1,589,688                 | 13,808,852 |  |  | 69.61% |            |  |  |  |  |
| August                     | 2,173,582  | 14,472,745 |  | 47.05% |                     |              |  |  |  | 3,514,497                 | 17,322,349 |  |  | 87.32% |            |  |  |  |  |
| September                  |            |            |  |        |                     |              |  |  |  |                           |            |  |  |        |            |  |  |  |  |
| October                    |            |            |  |        |                     |              |  |  |  |                           |            |  |  |        |            |  |  |  |  |
| November                   |            |            |  |        |                     |              |  |  |  |                           |            |  |  |        |            |  |  |  |  |
| December                   |            |            |  |        |                     |              |  |  |  |                           |            |  |  |        |            |  |  |  |  |
| 2025 Budget                | 30,756,203 |            |  |        |                     |              |  |  |  | 19,835,997                |            |  |  |        |            |  |  |  |  |
| Estimate                   | 10,400,000 | 10,600,206 |  |        | Cash balance        | Jan 1st 2025 |  |  |  | 12,363,534                |            |  |  |        |            |  |  |  |  |
|                            | 18,291,221 | 19,835,997 |  |        | Encumbr             |              |  |  |  | 1,433,327                 |            |  |  |        |            |  |  |  |  |
|                            | 28,691,221 | 30,756,203 |  |        | Carry over          |              |  |  |  | 10,920,206                |            |  |  |        |            |  |  |  |  |
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|                            |            |            |  |        | Ending CASH Balance |              |  |  |  | Last Day Aug 2025         |            |  |  |        | Aug 2024   |  |  |  |  |
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| Unencumber balance         |            |            |  |        |                     |              |  |  |  |                           |            |  |  |        |            |  |  |  |  |
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| Statement of Cash Position with MTD Totals |              |                   |                 |                 |                  |                  |                               |                 |                 |
| From: 1/1/2025 to 8/31/2025                |              |                   |                 |                 |                  |                  | Include Inactive Accounts: No |                 |                 |
| Funds: 001 to 001                          |              |                   |                 |                 |                  |                  | Page Break on Fund: No        |                 |                 |
| Fund                                       | Description  | Beginning Balance | Net Revenue MTD | Net Revenue YTD | Net Expenses MTD | Net Expenses YTD | Unexpended Balance            | Encumbrance YTD | Ending Balance  |
| 001                                        | General Fund | \$12,363,534.13   | \$3,514,497.21  | \$17,323,349.27 | \$2,173,582.28   | \$14,472,745.11  | \$15,214,138.29               | \$4,882,513.68  | \$10,331,624.61 |
| Grand Total:                               |              | \$12,363,534.13   | \$3,514,497.21  | \$17,323,349.27 | \$2,173,582.28   | \$14,472,745.11  | \$15,214,138.29               | \$4,882,513.68  | \$10,331,624.61 |

Mr. Tkach reported the 27<sup>th</sup> pay will be in 2026. There is a fund that was set up and the commissioners have put money into for this purpose. The last payroll was \$495,000. The amount needed will be determined once the commissioners set the 2026 raises. Once the amount is determined the board can transfer the amount into the general fund. The 27<sup>th</sup> pay happens every 11 years and encourages the board to continue to set money aside for the next 27<sup>th</sup> pay.

OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS – No Updates

At 9:40 a.m. Harry Brady moved to adjourn. Tom Dunlap seconded the motion. The meeting stood adjourned.

IN THE MATTER OF CERTIFICATION

The Clerk to the Board does hereby attest that the foregoing is a true and correct record of all actions taken by the Board of Huron County Commissioners on September 18, 2025.

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 9:40 a.m.

Signatures on File