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; Patricia Didion, Citizen; Jon White, Citizen; Tom Dunlap, Citizen; Shawn Pickworth, Citizen; Shylee Greszler, Norwalk Ohio News.

24-169

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 for Payment Batch #379440 and authorize the Huron County Auditor to make the necessary warrant;

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. Boose will abstain from voting on the payment to Custom Metal Works.

Mr. Boose noted there was \$30,000 labor for pole surveys. Ms. Ziemba thought this was the grant to get the fiber downtown.

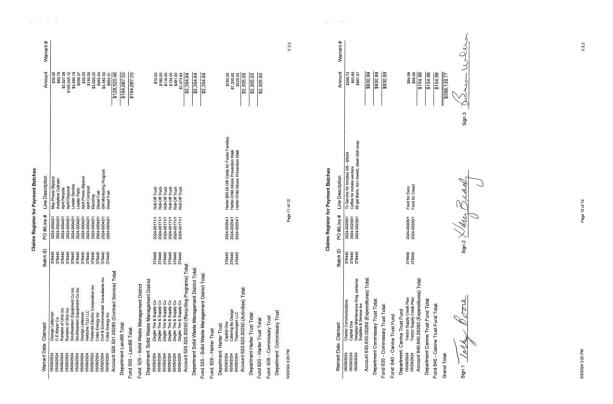
The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

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

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At 9:05 a.m. Public comment - None

24-170

IN THE MATTER OF AWARDING THE BID FOR THE HURON COUNTY SAND HILL ROAD CONCRETE SUPERSTRUCTURE REPLACEMENT HUR CR 040-03.16; PID 117737

Bruce Wilde moved to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Resolution 24-130 the County Engineer requested authorization to seek bids for the Huron County Sand Hill Road Concrete Superstructure Replacement; HUR CR-040-03.16; PID 117737;

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

WHEREAS, funding for this project will be provided in cooperation with the Ohio Department of Transportation;

WHEREAS, bids were received Friday, April 26, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. from the following:

R&I Construction, Inc. \$242,489.00 Great Lakes Demolition Company, LLC. \$273,890.70

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Huron County Commissioners do hereby award the bid for the Huron County Sand Hill Road Concrete Superstructure Replacement; HUR CR 040-03.16; PID 117737, as recommended by the Huron County Engineer to R&I Construction, Inc, Tiffin, Ohio in the amount of \$242,489.00;

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.

*Discussion: Mr. Tansey stated this is 100% federal funding.

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

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

24-171

IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING INTO CONTRACT WITH SARVER PAVING COMPANY FOR THE 2024 CHIP AND SEAL PHASE 2 PROJECT

Bruce Wilde moved to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Resolution 24-152 the bid was awarded to Sarver Paving, Inc. for the amount of \$570,781.00 for the 2024 Chip and Seal Phase 2 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 2 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 is the township contract. Earliest start will be June.

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

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

 $*Contract\ on\ file$

24-172

IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING INTO CONTRACT WITH U.S. BRIDGE DIVISION OF THE OHIO BRIDGE CORPORATION FOR THE SUPPLY OF STRUCTURAL STEEL FOR THE COOK ROAD AND HANVILLE CORNERS ROAD SUPERSTRUCTURE REPLACEMENTS

Bruce Wilde moved to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Resolution 24-154 the bid was awarded to U.S. Bridge division of The Ohio Bridge Corp. for the amount of \$280,967.00 for the Supply of Structural Steel for the Cook Road and Hanville Corners Road Superstructure Replacements for the Huron County Engineer; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners desires to enter into contract with U.S. Bridge division of The Ohio Bridge Corp., for such goods and services: now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby approve entering into contract with U.S. Bridge division of The Ohio Bridge Corp., Cambridge, Ohio for the Supply of Structural Steel for the Cook Road and Hanville Corners Road Superstructure Replacements 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 is purchasing the steel for 2025 & 2026 projects.

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

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

*Contract on file

24-173

IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING INTO CONTRACT WITH ERIE BLACKTOP, INC. FOR THE JIM ESKER ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT AT THE HURON COUNTY AIRPORT

Bruce Wilde moved to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Resolution 24-153 the bid was awarded to Erie Blacktop, Inc. for the amount of \$80,752.50 for the Jim Esker Road Resurfacing Project; and

WHEREAS, The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) funds from the U.S. Department of Treasury under the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds will be utilized for the project;

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners desires to enter into contract with Erie Blacktop, Inc., for such goods and services:

now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby approve entering into contract with Erie Blacktop, Inc., Sandusky, Ohio for the Jim Esker Road Resurfacing Project 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.

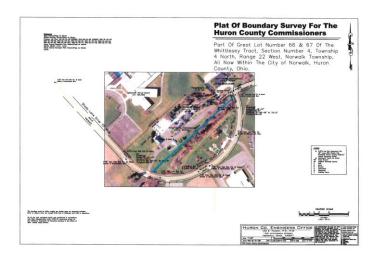
*<u>Discussion</u>: Mr. Tansey said all their preliminary work and drainage improvement are complete. They are just waiting until they get word from the contractor. The completion date is October; they are probably looking at three days of work. Mr. Brady asked how this would affect traffic. Mr. Tansey said they would maintain it.

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

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

*Contract on file

Mr. Boose asked about the Plat of Boundary Survey for the Shady Lane property. Mr. Tansey needs to know if this is the split the Commissioners would like. The Board is okay with what Mr. Tansey has prepared. He will begin working on the legal description.



24-174

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING CORSA APPLICATION FOR SURETY BONDS FOR HURON COUNTY UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, an application from CORSA was presented to the Board of Huron County Commissioners for surety bonds for the four underground storage tanks on Huron County property; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners desires to approve such application for surety bonds with a deductible of \$11,000 for the two underground storage tanks located on the property at the Huron County Airport, and for the two underground storage tanks located on the property at the Huron County Highway Department;

now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners approves signing the CORSA application for surety bonds for the underground storage tanks with a deductible of \$11,000 as noted above;

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 121.11 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

24-175

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING PROPOSALS SUBMITTED BY MAKSOLVE FOR PRE-DEMOLITION ASBESTOS SURVEY AND AN OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (Ohio EPA) VOLUNTARY ACTION PROGRAM PHASE 1 PROPERTY ASSESSMENT AT THE SHADY LANE COMPLEX

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Huron County Land Reutilization Corporation has applied for brownfield funding to assist Huron County with the demolition of the Shady Lane Complex which requires specific studies; and

WHEREAS, MAKSolve has submitted a proposal for asbestos related consulting services at the Shady Lane Complex located at 130 Shady Lane Drive, the services proposed encompass pre-demolition asbestos surveys, in the amount of \$13,100.00;

WHEREAS, MAKSolve has submitted a proposal to conduct an Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Program (VAP) Phase 1 Property Assessment (PA) at the Shady Lane Complex in the amount of \$6,500.00;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves the Proposals submitted by MAKSolve as stated above and as attached hereto and expressly incorporated by reference herein:

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. Boose thought the price went up. Mr. Wilde thought this was because they originally not been aware of all the buildings involved. Mr. Boose said there were two other properties that were getting money. He asked if the other two had done this. Mr. Pickworth said it would be done as part of the funding. Mr. Boose questioned why theirs was being paid for, but we were paying for ours. Mr. Pickworth said it goes back to BUSTR and the tank that is on the property. Mr. Boose asked if the asbestos removal did not have anything to do with it. Mr. Wilde asked if we were paying for Phase 1. Mr. Pickworth said the county was paying for Phase 1 of the asbestos removal. Mr. Wilde asked who was paying for the other two. Mr. Pickworth stated the other two were part of the grant. Mr. Wilde asked why the grant didn't pay for this. Mr. Pickworth explained the state won't allow it because there is an open BUSTR on the property. Mr. Boose indicated we were going to do a covenant to take that off. Mr. Pickworth said then you could do it afterwards. He thought there would be enough money to cover it. Mr. Wilde was concerned that if they didn't approve this, MAKSolve would not go forward. Do we wait until after the covenant? Mr. Pickworth didn't know. The grant applications had already been turned in and he didn't know that we could change that. Mr. Wilde thought that made sense. Mr. Pickworth suggested they could ask the Land Bank to help pay for it. Mr. Brady was not opposed to asking the Land Bank. But because of the timeframe in which they were trying to do these things, he did not want to slow up the process. Ms. Ziemba asked Mr. Strickler where he was with the covenant. Mr. Strickler said he hasn't started working on it because he doesn't have a legal description. Mr. Boose asked Mr. Welch where they stood with the covenant. Mr. Welch said he had approved the contract for BJAAM to get the paperwork to BUSTR to see if we could get pre-approved to do the covenant on the property. Mr. Boose wanted to do everything to prepare ourselves and asked if we needed Mr. Tansey to do anything. Mr. Welch said not right now, but we will. Mr. Boose would like Mr. Tansey and Mr. Strickler to go ahead and get everything ready. Mr. Brady asked Mr. Tansey if this would be a lengthy process for him. Mr. Tansey explained that before they could do anything they needed to do the split. The next step is he will need Mr. Strickler to confirm if it needs a legal description or if the area just needs to be defined. Mr. Strickler found the email that indicated they would need a metes and bounds description. Mr. Tansey said someone would have to lay out the area and they could write the description based on that. Mr. Welch said he would not have dimensions back until he hears from BUSTR. Mr. Tansey said they could start working in and wait to hear from Mr. Welch.

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

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

*Contract on file

24-176

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A COUNTY CREDIT CARD TO THE REQUESTING HURON COUNTY OFFICES PURSUANT TO THE MASTER COMMERCIAL CARD AGREEMENT ESTABLISHED BETWEEN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR HURON COUNTY AND JPMORGAN CHASE BANK N.A. PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 301.27(F)(2).

Bruce Wilde moved to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Section 301.27 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Board of Huron County Commissioners are authorized to acquire a county credit card and to adopt the necessary policies for such county credit card usage;

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 23-358, enacting the Huron County Credit Card Policy in accordance with and pursuant to Section 301.27(B) of the Ohio Revised Code relating to the acquisition and use of a county credit card account to be utilized for work related purchases that serve a public purpose;

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 24-049, in which the Board of Huron County Commissioners entered into the Master Commercial Card Agreement with JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A. to acquire a credit card for Huron County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners is in receipt of a request to receive a county credit card from the Huron County Board of DD, accompanied with the completed acknowledgment of the Huron County Credit Card Policy for the same;

now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Huron County Commissioners, does hereby authorize the Huron County Board of DD to receive a credit card as detailed in the Master Commercial Card Agreement; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Huron County Commissioners, does hereby authorize and direct the Huron County Treasurer to request the issuance of a new county credit card to the office stated above and as attached hereto and expressly incorporated by reference herein; and further

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

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

24-177

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #001REV WITH CLASSICAL CONSTRUCTION, LLC FOR THE HURON COUNTY ENRICHMENT CENTER PROJECT

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Garmann-Miller & Associates, Inc., (Architect) recommends a change order for the Huron County Enrichment Center Project as follows:

- 1) Capture the change in cost associated with switching the fiber cement board siding type and finish due to the one that was originally specified does not come prefinished. Add \$9,815.78
- 2) The change order also includes the change in cost associated with PR 001. Add \$952.00
- 3) The change order also includes the change in cost associated with PR 004. Add \$2,335.88
- 4) Deduction from General Contract A Contingency Allowance. Deduct (\$13,103.66)

now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves Change Order #001REV as submitted by Garmann-Miller & Associates, Inc. for Contractor, Classical Construction, LLC for the Huron County Enrichment Center Project as listed above and as attached hereto and expressly incorporated by reference herein; and further

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

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

*On file

SIGNINGS - None

OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS

Administrator/Clerk report

Ms. Ziemba stated she received an email from Roger Hunker, Apex Clean Energy, inviting the Board to the Wheatsborough Solar Construction Site Tour on May 15, 2024. The Board has other obligations and will be unable to attend.

Fair grounds building. Mr. Boose had a discussion with Mr. Hunker last week. They are going to be tearing three buildings down when they put the one building up. They were wondering if there is a way to bid out or auction off the three different buildings in case anybody wants to take anything or any part of those three buildings. Mr. Strickler thought they would have to do a resolution to dispose of property like we do with other personal property. That resolution would determine the way it gets disposed of. Mr. Strickler thought they would have to do the bids for it because it would be over the value limit set by the statute. He forgot what that limit was. It is the property of the commissioners, so he thought they would have to do it that way. Mr. Brady said he has seen it before where it has been put out to bid that if you want the building you have to come take it down. He asked if they wanted to do it as one or did they want to do it as three. Mr. Strickler thought they should do it as three. Mr. Boose believed that the roof on one of the buildings was only about ten years old. Mr. Boose will have a discussion with Mr. Morgan to see if this is something he is even interested in doing. Mr. Strickler thought there could be some argument over who would get the money. He thought the law would say, because it is community property it goes to the general fund. Whether you give it back to the Fair Board or use it for something else would be at the discretion of the board. Mr. Boose said that should all be part of the discussion with Mr. Morgan. Mr. Strickler stated it could go toward the money the board was giving the Fair Board for the building.

Ms. Ziemba asked Mr. Strickler if the leases have been sent to NCAT, Norwalk Arts Center, and the MOU to NEDC/Growth Partnership. Mr. Strickler said he sent out the one for NCAT. He stated only Mr. Wilde had replied regarding the Norwalk Arts Center lease. He will send it out today.

Mr. Strickler said he had a discussion with Mr. Tkach regarding the tax-exempt status of 306 S. Norwalk Road. Mr. Tkach believes there may be a way it can still be done, even if it is only a partial exemption. Mr. Strickler called Ms. Habig because they need to determine whose tax ID number NCAT is using. If they are 501(c) they may still be eligible for at least a partial tax exemption.

Mr. Boose said at some time Mr. Minor will need some direction regarding a sign for South Norwalk Road Complex. Last week he went with Brady Signs to look at moving the sign on Shady Lane for BMV/Title, they went out to look at S. Norwalk Road for signage. Mr. Boose did not know what kind of signage they may want on S. Norwalk Road. Mr. Wilde did not think it needed to light up; it just needed to be simple sign that says what is there and be able to change if needed. Ms. Ziemba thought something similar to what is on the Administration Building. She thought it could be out by the road, but something similar so they wouldn't have to replace the whole sign if someone moves in our out.

Mr. Boose said Mr. Minor has a quote to move the current sign out at BMV/Title to the new location. We asked him to bring it forward at the next construction meeting because it all needs to be talked about with the contractors. They will need to make sure the timing is right so the old one can be moved and the new one put in. Mr. Boose thought the estimate was \$10,000 for the move. That included a new cement pad for the old sign. The contractor did not want to put a bid in as an addition to the contract. They did not want the liability of moving the sign.

Commissioner Wilde report

TAC meeting – quarterly transportation meeting - today at 2:00 p.m. at Job & Family Services.

Ms. Ziemba informed Mr. Wilde that they would have IT interviews today at 3:00 p.m. and tomorrow starting at 1:00 p.m. Mr. Wilde will leave the TAC meeting early to attend the interview.

At 10:00 a.m. Jess Spears, 9-1-1 Coordinator update on the Fitchville radio tour. Mr. Boose clarified this was not the radio tower in New London. Ms. Spears said it was the new Christian Broadcast tower in Fitchville. Ms. Ziemba explained they were moving things from the New London tower to the Fitchville tower. Ms. Spears explained that originally, about a year or so ago when Ms. Bond started this project, there was space on the generator for our equipment. But, because we have taken so long, there are other companies that have come in and utilized the space. Now there is not enough. Mr. Boose asked if it had been promised. Ms. Spears said it was not in the contract. She did not know if that was a conversation Ms. Bond had with the Christian Broadcast Tower. But it was not in the contract. Mr. Boose asked if we would own the generator. Ms. Spears said it would be ours. We would be the only ones on that generator, so if there would be a power outage we wouldn't have to worry about an overload on the generator itself. It would strictly be our microwaves and our antennas. Mr. Wilde thought that was great for security. Mr.

Boose noted that previously they have had way too many discussions about generators - who is going to maintain it? who has access to it? As far as Ms. Spears was aware, Christian Broadcast Tower, Cleveland Communications and EMA would be the only ones with access. Mr. Boose thought most of our generators have maintenance contracts. Ms. Spears said there would be one on this. Mr. Boose asked if that would be part of the cost they were paying now or is that another monthly or yearly cost? Ms. Spears thought it would be another yearly cost. It was not part of the quote they gave us. Mr. Boose thought the cost was very reasonable. Ms. Ziemba stated the cost was \$13,600. Mr. Boose thought Cleveland Communications would have known that we needed the generator and it would have been part of the project. Now we are paying 13,000 for a generator, and now we need to maintain it. But he understood we can't operate without it. Mr. Wilde noted Ms. Spears had not been a part of any of the discussions. Mr. Strickler said he talked to Mr. Mead about this yesterday. There is nothing in the agreement between us and Christian Broadcasting about who provides a backup generator. Ms. Spears said they need the redundancy. At least if we have control over it we know it is being maintained. And we know that if the power goes out we are not going to be competing with everybody else on that tower. We will have our power and we shouldn't lose radio communications. Mr. Boose said we have had discussions at our 9-1-1 committee meetings, we have worked very hard on the budget; part of the discussion was, what if there was an emergency. He considers this an emergency. It is not an emergency our first responders live with on a daily basis. Those we need to plan for in the 9-1-1 budget. This was the type of emergency that comes up and somebody has to pay for them or we don't have radio communication. Mr. Wilde liked the idea that we were in control of it. But he clarified if we had gotten there sooner we wouldn't have to pay anything to be on their generator. Ms. Spears said that is what she thought, but she hadn't been part of the conversation. She said they may have charged us extra to be on the generator. Ms. Ziemba asked who maintained the generators for EMA. Ms. Spears said Mr. Zurcher maintains the one at the sheriff's office and the one at EMA. She was not sure who maintained the other ones, but she had it written down at the office. Mr. Boose thought they needed to be clear about it, since it is not part of the contract. He suggested she may want to somehow document how we are going to maintain it.

Bruce Wilde moved to approve the purchase of a generator from Cleveland Communications in the amount of \$13,600.00 for the Christian Broadcast Tower site in Fitchville to be paid from the general fund and a maintenance agreement up to \$1,000 a year to be paid from 911 funds. 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

Mr. Boose noted when they did the budget, the estimated amount of money the state said was going to come in, and what the actual was, were not even close. He asked if Ms. Spears knew how that was going to affect her budget. Ms. Spears said they were still working on it. They were trying to go through all of their budgetary items for the year, trying to see what affect it will have. Right now, between throwing in an extra maintenance agreement, and the levy reduction for next year, they were trying to figure that all out. That was their big project right now. Mr. Boose thought, after the first two months of those fee monies coming in, they were about 10% of what the state had estimated. The good news/bad news was, that was only for one year anyhow. We don't know what is going to happen after this year. Mr. Boose just wanted to make sure Ms. Spears were aware of it for the budget discussions.

At 10:20 a.m. the board recessed At 10:34 a.m. the board resumed regular session

Commissioner Brady report

Mr. Brady will attend the quarterly transportation meeting this afternoon at 2:00 p.m.

Next Park Board meeting is Monday at 4:00 p.m. Mr. Brady will ask them about that money and what they are going to do with the money they have according to the State. Mr. Boose said according to the State they already have money, and there is also \$150,000 that is available to them.

Mr. Brady wanted to provide an update on NCAT and people quitting this week. One was the office manager and one was a driver. They quit with no notice. Both had received Certificates of Appreciation and awards for going above and beyond in their jobs. One of them called the office and has asked Mr. Brady to call her, which he will do. Mr. Brady had a conversation with Ms. Habig, who had no issues with either employee. However, there was a driver that was let go because of serious safety violations. Ms. Habig assured Mr. Brady NCAT was not going to fail. They are brining drivers in from Seneca County to continue the trips. The county is up to about 65-70 trips a day. They have a new hire being trained. Ms. Habig rotates in and out of the office. Mr. Brady thought for the sake of Huron County this was a good decision on the part of the commissioners. He appreciated the fact that there is a commitment from drivers in the other parts of NCAT that were willing to come into Huron County and make sure to service Huron County.

Commissioner Boose report

Mr. Boose attended the Workforce Development meetings. They talked about the trend of employees ghosting, both when hired and when they quit. Also discussed the cyclical nature of economics and this trend may come back to bite these employees in the future.

ARPA webinar is on Wednesday and Thursday both. This will go over the changes and what you can and cannot do.

NCAT - ODOT grant. Mr. Brady said we know NCAT will have to administer the grant, but they will be working with the county on the projects. We have the list of what they applied for. It included chiller, boilers, floors. Mr. Welch and Mr. Minor will be meeting with Ms. Habig today. Mr. Brady wasn't sure, but thought they might end up using the grant for the boilers and floors. That would use up the \$270,000. Mr. Welch had a bid from Air Force One for the chiller and boiler, but they can't get to it for fifteen weeks. He has another bid from Wadsworth for just the chiller. They have it in stock and can do it next week. Mr. Brady noted it had been really hot out there because the chiller does not work at all. Mr. Boose was concerned that these were ARPA projects. If they pull them they will have to find other projects.

OneOhio state meeting. There will be discussions that will directly affect our Region 19 decisions.

House Bill 344 is moving fast. Mr. Strickler confirmed this was for replacement levies. Mr. Boose noted the Township Association, the Municipal League and CCAO were all against it. Yet it keeps moving forward. Mr. Strickler thought it would have a devastating effect on counties, villages and townships. And a proportionally greater negative impact on the schools.

Regional meeting with CCAO last week. Mr. Boose thought it had been informative. He also thought CCAO had found out about issues they did not know were out there. It was mentioned that there is a county omnibus bill, which means it is a bill put together strictly to resolve issues about a specific matter. In this case it was county government. They were all ready to go with it. Then, last week, the Speaker of the House removed chairmen from their chairmanship if they helped opponents of his side in the election. One of those committees was House, State and Local Government committee. So right now, none of them have been replaced. They were not only removed from their chairmanship, they were removed from the committees. Now that bill, which is normally a fast-moving bill, is on hold because they don't have a chairman.

Mr. Boose stated they had received a letter from Shawn Pickworth, New London, saying they wanted to apply for the Targets of Opportunity Grant through CDBG. He asked Ms. Ziemba what the process was for this. Ms. Ziemba wasn't sure. She had asked Ms. McConnell, although GLCAP will not be handling the grant. It is through the commissioners. New London would like to go through Kleinfelder. Ms. Ziemba needs to find out if they hold the contract or if the commissioners hold the contract. She is not sure what the steps are because usually it is with the grant administrator. Mr. Boose thought she should keep in contact with Kleinfelder, but the process is going to change a little. Mr. Boose did not know if Mr. Pickworth wanted them to respond to his letter. Mr. Pickworth said he talked to Ms. McConnell yesterday afternoon. She told him they are swamped and asked if he would be okay with having their engineers do the application and the grant. He was fine with that. The way Ms. McConnell explained it, as long as he keeps her copied on everything as we go through the process she is okay with it. Mr. Pickworth explained the first step was getting permission from the commissioners to allow him to apply for CDBG. Mr. Boose asked if there was a date they needed to do this by. Ms. Ziemba thought this starts in July and is ongoing. There is no due date. Mr. Boose suggested they have Ms. Ziemba discuss this with Ms. McConnell so they could understand the process.

Mr. Brady was trying to understand the way it was worded in the letter. He asked what "\$250,000 per" meant. Mr. Pickworth explained the rules say they can spend up to \$250,000. They can give it to one building owner, or up to three, in the same grant. Mr. Brady clarified that the grant was for \$250,000. Mr. Pickworth said it was. Mr. Brady asked if he could apply for more than one \$250,000 pot. Mr. Pickworth said they could only apply for one at a time. Once the application was closed out, if everything went well, Mr. Pickworth intends to keep applying. They are getting a grant to do downtown sidewalks and lighting. Next he wanted to try to help building owners. He called a meeting for the downtown business owners six months ago. He had around 25 people show up. This is going to be a lot of work for the village, but he is willing to do the work if he is helping the community. Mr. Boose asked who would administer the \$250,000 if he were to get the grant. Mr. Pickworth said it would be administered through their engineer, Kleinfelder. They would do all the paperwork – whatever Ms. Ziemba needs, whatever the state needs. Mr. Boose noted that trying to decide who to award it to could be a challenge. Mr. Pickworth said they have a come up with a scoring criteria. The building owners will fill out the applications, then those applications will be scored. They are trying to make it as fair and transparent as possible. Mr. Boose asked if there was only \$250,000 available to the whole county. Ms. Ziemba said the way she understood it, you can only have two projects going on during one cycle. So, if New London has a project there could be one other project. If New

London has two project, nobody else can apply. Ms. Ziemba had sent Ms. McConnell a couple questions, but she is swamped so it may take her a while to respond. Ms. Ziemba wondered if they would have to procure the services, not just say they were going to go with Kleinfelder. They had to procure the services for GLCAP. Mr. Pickworth said they would be fine with it. Ms. Ziemba was concerned if the State would be fine with it. She did not know if they would have to procure the services for this grant. Mr. Boose asked Mr. Pickworth to give them a little time to look at it and work things out. As of right now, New London is the only community that has talked to the commissioners.

Erie County Health Department open house on Friday, June 7 from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. At 3:00 p.m. there will be comments from Representative Marcy Kaptur.

CCAO Summer Symposium August 21 - 23. It will be at the Hocking Hills Lodge. There are a limited number of rooms available and they are requiring a two night minimum. Mr. Brady noted this was the week of the Democratic National Convention.

At 11:16 a.m. Bruce Wilde moved to Enter into 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 and ORC 121.22 (G)(3) a conference with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action. 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 11:57 a.m. Bruce Wilde moved to end Executive Session ORC 121.22 (G)(2) & (3). 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

*Action taken from ORC 121.22 (G)(3)

Bruce Wilde moved to amend our complaint in the opioid litigation to include the Pharmacy Benefit Managers (PBM). 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 11:59 a.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 May 7, 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 11:59 a.m.

Signatures on File