

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: Cherise Crable, Clerical Assistant; Randal Strickler, Assistant Prosecutor; Roger Hunker, Lyme Township Trustee/APEX; Shylee Greszler, Norwalk Ohio News.

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 305.14 the Record of the Proceedings of the May 2, 2024 meeting(s) were presented to the Board. Bruce Wilde made the motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the May 2, 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

At 9:05 a.m. Public comment – Roger Hunker. Mr. Hunker wanted to invite the board to a Buyer’s dinner for the fair. He explained the changes they made this year.

24-199

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 #9A) SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD JUNE 6, 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. Crable explained this was in the amount of \$134,350 for Private Rehab in New London and Wakeman.

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

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

Subject to: Development Services Agency Office of Community Development P.O. Box 3003 Columbus, Ohio 43216-0303		Name and Address of Grantee: Huron County Commissioners 180 Main Ave Norwalk, Ohio 44857		ODJG E.E. RFP Balance: ODJG Housing P.I. Balance: Home Program Income Balance:			
Contact Person Information: Name: Shari Short Phone number: (619) 333-4120 Email: sashort@dcap.org		Grant Number: B-C-21-18J-2		Date: Voucher#:			
		Draw Number: 0A		Amount:			
Project NBR	Project Name	Activity NBR	Activity Name	Housing Site Address (if applicable)	Amount Requested	Approved Activity/Site Budget (\$)	Balance of Activity/Site Budget (\$)
1	Rehabilitation Assistance	1	Private Rehabilitation	155 Williams St, New London	106500.00	127800.00	21300.00
1	Rehabilitation Assistance	1	Private Rehabilitation	4849 County Line Rd 2, Wakeman	27850.00	61850.00	12687.00
Total Amount of this Draw:					134350.00	189650.00	33987.00
Certification of Itemization of Expenditures: Two Authorized Signatures are Required I certify that this request for Payment was drawn in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Grant Agreement(s) cited and that the amount drawn is proper for payment to the drawer's depository. I also certify that the data reported above is correct and the amount of the request for Payment is not in excess of current needs.							
Date:		Signature:		Title:			
June 6, 2024		<i>Terry Boose</i>		President			
Date:		Counter Signature:		Title:			
June 6, 2024		<i>Bruce Wilde</i>		K.P.			
State Use Only:							
Approved:							

24-200

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING REQUESTS FOR EXPENDITURE OF OVER \$5,000.00 SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD JUNE 6, 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

Brady Signs	BMV & Title sign relocation	\$9,650.00	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.

***Discussion:** Mr. Boose noted there would be a small credit coming back from the general contractor for some of the work that is being done. It was in their contract to remove it, but not to take it to another location.

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

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

24-201

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY WADSWORTH SOLUTIONS FOR THE HURON COUNTY SOUTH NORWALK RD. BLDG B CHILLER, BOILER, AND CONTROLS PROJECT

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. 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 Commissioners' request to utilize ARPA funds for the purchase and installation of a Chiller, Boiler, and Controls at the Huron County South Norwalk Rd. Bldg. B property and has determined that the use of ARPA funds received by the County may be used under the Revenue Loss Category, a copy of McDonald Hopkins LLC's opinion is attached hereto and expressly incorporated by reference herein; and

WHEREAS, Wadsworth Solutions is a part of the Ohio Department of Administrative Services Ohio Buys Program, State Contract Number RSC009216; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby authorize the use of ARPA funds for the purchase and installation of a Chiller, Boiler, and Controls at the Huron County South Norwalk Rd. Bldg. B property; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby approve the Proposal submitted by Wadsworth Solutions in the amount of \$329,331.00, 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*

24-202

IN THE MATTER OF ACCEPTING RESIGNATION OF LINDA D. HOLMER FROM THE HURON COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Bruce Wilde moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners is in receipt of a letter of resignation of Linda D. Holmer from the Huron County Board of Developmental Disabilities; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby accepts the resignation of Linda D. Holmer effective May 13, 2024; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners wishes to thank Ms. Holmer for her services on the Board; 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 - None

SIGNINGS - None

At 9:15 a.m. County Project Updates

Joel Riedy, Network Administrator

Mr. Riedy stated they have made significant progress on the broadband project. Five towers are close to going live. They are having a minor firmware issue with the radios installed on the towers. Mr. Riedy is expecting an update on the resolution to that problem this week. Mr. Boose asked if he knew when we would receive a final billing for ARPA purposes. Mr. Riedy will find out.

The fiber circuit recently constructed is going live tomorrow evening. They will have a direct link to our data center. The fiber circuit is operating at 10 gigs between this building and all the offices. This 50 times faster than the site to site VPN we are using now.

New employee starts on Monday. Mr. Riedy said he is eager to get started.

Pete Welch, Director of Operations and Steve Minor, Buildings & Grounds Supervisor

Mr. Minor stated there is nothing major moving forward; everything is basically a work in progress.

The lighting project uptown is going to have to be completely rebid. He had a price for lights, and he had quotes from three different contractors to install. He needs three prices for lights, and it is hard to find different distributors. The time for the quote is nearing its end. He is going to have each electrician bid it with them providing the light fixtures. This will involve a markup.

Appointments set to look at all doors on the downtown buildings – 10, 12 and 22 E. Main.

Mr. Minor had received a call from the Judge asking if the project on the 5th floor was moving. Mr. Minor did get a price to move that door out.

Door at title office is a new addition to what they are working on. Mr. Boose cautioned Mr. Minor to find out who was paying for that before moving forward on the project.

Summer help started this week and another will start next week. Mr. Minor has him working on clearing the overgrown areas at 306. When it rains he is working on a painting project at Juvenile Court.

Mr. Boose did not realize they had so much stuff in the house out at Shady Lane. Mr. Minor and Ms. Stebel will go out and take pictures of things to put on GovDeals. Mr. Boose thought they could take a dumpster out there and have summer help throw out the rest of it. There will need to be a resolution to dispose of county property for this.

Painter is supposed to start on the Courthouse on Tuesday.

Mr. Minor has a call in to a contractor to come look at the window framing that has come loose on the 5th floor of office building.

Mr. Minor noted they had awarded a contract to patch the Recorder's area, but they haven't shown up. He continues to call weekly. He would like to get that done so they can move on to the painting.

Mr. Boose asked about the status of replacing the units on top of 22 E. Main. Mr. Welch said he has two bids, but he has to make sure they are apples to apples.

Mr. Welch presented the bid documents for the Transfer Station floor project. This will need to be reviewed by Ms. Ziemba or Mr. Strickler.

Mr. Boose stated that Mark Suhanik had been out to look at the tree situation at Shady Lane. They were surprised to learn that most of the trees were good. Mr. Suhanik will go out and mark all the trees. He will then help Mr. Minor and Mr. Welch put together a bid package for what needs to be done out there. Mr. Suhanik suggested they take just about everything out of the ditch, except maybe a couple of the trees. He is estimating his services will be less than \$500. Mr. Welch stated he had given a rough estimate for all the work out there to be about \$30,000, maybe a little higher.

Mr. Suhanik also mentioned there may be a lot of architectural salvage materials in the buildings at Shady Lane.

OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Welch asked if the board would like to talk to Albin Bauer next Tuesday. They would.

Mr. Boose had some comments about Tuesday's meeting with ODOT. He wanted to make it clear the commissioners are concerned about the safety of our roads. And they are concerned about that intersection. There are statistics that prove it is a dangerous intersection. But in his opinion, from what he sees, Ohio is getting the idea that the solution to all problems is a roundabout. Mr. Boose is not sure that is the answer for this situation, especially if you look at the big picture. This intersection is unique for a couple reasons. It has a fire station on the corner. On the other corner is a convenience store business. Mr. Boose did not think profit margins were very high. Also, this business was needed by the community. ODOT has four alternatives. One of the four eliminates it. The other three limit the entrance into the parking lot. Mr. Wilde and Mr. Brady both agreed they would suffer at minimum a 50% loss of revenue. Mr. Boose said the alternatives ODOT discussed were limited to the different ways a roundabout could be constructed. They did not discuss the fire station or the convenience store. Mr. Boose's other concern was that ODOT agreed that the data they had was outdated. The newer data shows less accidents than the older data. Mr. Brady stated he had a conversation with Mr. Tansey, who also brought that up. He told Mr. Brady that, if you took the crashes out from six years ago, it totally changes the perspective of that number. Then there are citizens saying the numbers are not reported accurately; they reported injury crashes that were not injury crashes. Mr. Brady thought Mr. Tansey's assessment, as County Engineer, was that there were way too many negative impacts versus any positives to make it worthwhile to pursue. Mr. Tansey was waiting on the commissioners for guidance, but he did not think it was a project that should go forward. Mr. Boose said many other things were brought up that were legitimate solutions. But he did not think ODOT was looking at them. One of the suggestions was to reduce the speed limit in that area. ODOT's answer was they were not allowed to do that. Somebody brought up Olena, where the speed limit goes down to 45. ODOT said that probably took a special legal analysis. Everybody thought in that case ODOT should do a legal analysis. Another suggestion Mr. Boose thought was plausible, but ODOT did not, was to put speed bumps close to the intersection. Literal speed bumps, not rumble strips. He did not think they had looked at all the options. The state was going to do a roundabout because a roundabout fit the data they had. The only excuse they had for not putting a stoplight in was there was not enough traffic. Mr. Strickler questioned if there was not enough traffic to put a stoplight in, how was there enough traffic to put a roundabout in? Mr. Boose thought if they were truly concerned about safety, it wouldn't matter how much traffic there was. If it is going to save lives, it is going to save lives. He was bringing this up because there is a 30-day period for the commissioners to give their ideas and responses. He thought they should send something from the office rather than individually. He asked when the drop-dead date was that, once ODOT hits that date they can't go back. They strongly recommended we do that in this 30-day window. Mr. Brady said Mr. Tansey had asked an interesting question – can ODOT do work on the county roads if the county commissioners don't sign off on it. Mr. Boose said the important part of that is, one of the roads is a county road. Mr. Brady said the answer was no. Mr. Boose stated that was the answer ODOT had given, but they did not get into details. ODOT did say the commissioners have to sign off on this project. Mr. Strickler thought maybe they should not sign off on the project. Mr. Boose wanted to know where they stand, what they can say. It sounds easy, but what happens if two months down the road there is an accident and somebody is killed. Mr. Strickler thought the way the commissioners don't sign off on it was the things they had just talked about – they are using outdated data, the new data does not show what the old data shows. Due to the proximity to a fire station, and then there is the business that will more likely than not be adversely affected by the installation of a roundabout. He felt they could suggest other options be looked at rather than just putting a roundabout in. Mr. Strickler thought the commissioners should send a letter, and he thought they could go as far as drafting a resolution opposing the roundabout project but recommending a stop light or a reduction in speed limit. One of the things they could put in the resolution is that a roundabout is not an end all, be all to an unsafe intersection. That seems to be ODOT's attitude at this point – if there is a dangerous intersection it should be fixed with a roundabout. That is not necessarily the way to do it; there are other options and other solutions to the problem. Mr. Brady said a few years ago

Governor DeWine’s 16-year old grandson was killed at an intersection similar to this. After that the governor basically instructed ODOT to take the 150 highest crash intersections in the state and put roundabouts in them. That’s what this stems from.

Mr. Brady mentioned the woman who came and presented the information, but then made the comment that businesses come and businesses go. Mr. Brady felt she needed to understand the audience she was talking to. Mr. Brady thought it was Mr. Boose that responded, not out here they don’t. Mr. Boose noted the real estate person claimed they make sure everybody is happy. Mr. Boose asked - if he went to the four corners of 601 and 20, and the four corners of 18 and 601 - everybody would say they were happy? The answer from the real estate person was he couldn’t comment because it was in the Attorney General’s hands right now. Mr. Brady thought that was the comment. Mr. Boose said that was exactly his point. If everybody was happy it wouldn’t be at the Attorney General’s office. Mr. Strickler said that is why people have to hire attorneys - ODOT says here is how much money we are giving you and we are taking your land. That’s the way they operate.

Mr. Boose wanted to really argue the point, but it wasn’t going to get us anywhere. They tried to say that putting the roundabout in changed nothing to the Gulf Inn. Mr. Strickler said but look at what they are going to do the C Stop. It is so close to the road now, you barely have room to park a car perpendicular to Route 20 at it is. Mr. Boose said now you are going to have to go in one end and drive down and then pull in. Mr. Strickler thought this could be a big problem for the delivery trucks. ODOT was not looking at the big picture. Mr. Brady pointed out that they were significantly limiting how they get out of the fire station on the other corner, which would increase response times. ODOT didn’t seem to care. They said they will work that out. Mr. Strickler thought they should do a resolution, as well as contact our state representative and Senator Gavarone. He thought we should see if they could put pressure on ODOT to stop this ridiculous project. There are other viable options they don’t want to look at because they are hell bent on putting a roundabout in.

While they were discussing roundabouts, Mr. Brady said the roundabout at 18 and 601/Greenwich Milan hasn’t been signed off on by the commissioners because they have not received it. Mr. Tansey still has the paperwork for it. That is the one that is in court. The homeowners effectively are going to lose their house, but ODOT doesn’t want to buy it. Mr. Boose pointed out they are going to put a guardrail right in front of their house so cars can’t run into it when they go through the roundabout, but they won’t buy the house. Mr. Brady thought that was why the commissioners should hold it; even the homeowner is okay with losing their house, but they would like a reasonable price for their property. The house will basically end up being deserted; they will have to tear it down. Mr. Brady pointed out they are taking property from two of the landowners, but not the third on that corner. He didn’t think they should stop the project, but they should look at it and say, hey be fair. Mr. Boose agreed they should be fair. If they take away a persons’ business – that is more than just a building, it is a person’s business.

ARPA Discussion

REVENUE REPLACEMENT						
DATE	PROJECT	RESOLUTION		AWARD AMT	\$10,000,000.00	COMPLETE
11/1/2022	Tandem Axle Cab & Chassis truck	22-313	Cleveland Freightliner	\$139,732.00	\$9,860,268.00	X
11/1/2022	Wheel loader	22-314	Ohio Cat	\$210,956.81	\$9,649,311.19	X
3/21/2023	Senior Center architect & soft costs	23-128	Garmann Miller	\$402,890.00	\$9,246,421.19	
4/25/2023	Outfitting Tandem axle cab & chassis truck	23-210	Henderson Products	\$93,193.00	\$9,153,228.19	X
5/2/2023	Salt Storage Building	23-167	Senghas Construction	\$456,875.00	\$8,696,353.19	
5/2/2023	Single Axle Cab & Chassis truck	23-168	Cleveland Freightliner	\$116,303.00	\$8,580,050.19	X
6/20/2023	306B S Norwalk Rd Property purchase	23-214	Bd of DD	\$1,002,596.25	\$7,577,453.94	
6/20/2023	Elevator Prj - Admin Bldg	23-215	Sona Construction	\$300,319.00	\$7,277,134.94	
11/16/2023	Senior Center legal notices		Reflector	\$553.41	\$7,276,581.53	X
1/4/2024	Senior Center Prj	24-013	Classical Construction	\$4,908,261.00	\$2,368,320.53	
2/6/2024	306B S Norwalk Rd interior/exterior renovations	24-059	Various	\$100,000.00	\$2,268,320.53	
2/13/2024	Outfitting Single axle cab & chassis truck	24-064	Henderson Products	\$94,083.00	\$2,174,237.53	
4/4/2024	Parking lots	24-145	Tek Seal	\$73,425.00	\$2,100,812.53	
5/7/2024	Jim Esker Road Resurfacing	24-173	Erie Blacktop, Inc	\$80,752.50	\$2,020,060.03	
5/21/2024	Reroof architect	24-186	Garmann Miller	\$70,500.00	\$1,949,560.03	
6/6/2024	306B HVAC (chiller, boiler, & controls)	24-201	Wadsworth Solutions	\$329,331.00	\$1,620,229.03	
RESTRICTED FUNDING						
DATE	PROJECT	RESOLUTION		AWARD AMT	\$1,317,487.00	COMPLETE
3/8/2022	McDonald Hopkins	22-077	Contract \$145,000		\$1,317,487.00	
12/13/2022	McDonald Hopkins	22-389	Contract (23-26) \$580,000		\$1,317,487.00	
4/19/2024	McDonald Hopkins	EMAIL	UPDATED ESTIMATE	\$270,000.00	\$1,047,487.00	
					\$1,047,487.00	
7/6/2023	Broadband Prj	23-227	North Coast Wireless	\$899,791.56	\$147,695.44	
5/25/2023	Broadband Prj legal notices		Reflector	\$295.02	\$147,400.42	X

Ms. Ziembra asked if they had reviewed the ARPA spreadsheet. She explained this showed what they had approved to date. She took out the estimate portion and kind of ran it like a checkbook. Mr. Brady asked

if there was still an outstanding invoice for the salt storage building; it was not marked as complete. Ms. Ziemba wasn't sure; Ms. Stebel was checking on it. If Ms. Ziemba knew 100% that it had been paid it has an "x" by it. Mr. Wilde asked about the reroof architect, but there was no reroof cost. It was explained this was because it had not gone out to bid yet. Mr. Wilde just wanted to make sure; it was one of the larger projects.

Mr. Brady asked Mr. Welch if he thought the roofs and the HVAC units on 22 E. Main would use up most of the \$1.6 million. Mr. Welch said the roof was estimated at \$1.2 million, but it was likely to come in under. They have about \$695,000 in HVAC projects. Mr. Boose asked which ones those were. Mr. Welch stated it was for S. Norwalk Road, rooftop units at 22 E. Main and the four air handlers at the Administration Building. Ms. Ziemba explained S. Norwalk Road was included; the rest were not under contract yet. Mr. Boose thought the Administration Building had been completed. Mr. Welch explained there were eight units that needed to be replaced; they had replaced four so far. Mr. Boose asked if they were going out to bid on the other four. Mr. Welch said they were, with the State Procurement contract. Mr. Boose wanted to clarify they were using state procurement pricing. They do not have any contract to move forward yet. Mr. Welch agreed, and said they were working on it. He was hoping to have the bids done within the next week or so. Mr. Brady asked if he thought, between the roofs and HVAC, not counting S. Norwalk, they will be close to spending the \$1.6 million. Mr. Welch said no. He thought the rooftop units were coming in at a little over \$100,000. He expected the units for the Administration Building to be around \$100,000 also. Mr. Boose said they have other projects on a list. He was not as worried about the top part of the page as the bottom part. There are plenty of projects for the top, it is the bottom they don't have projects for. Ms. Ziemba had one question. Back at budget time, Mr. Mead talked about replacing his SUV, their main response vehicle. He was getting prices for it. Ms. Ziemba sent what he was looking at to Ms. Gordon and asked her if it would qualify. Ms. Gordon had indicated she thought it would qualify for the over \$10 million bucket. It is considered an emergency response vehicle and she was pretty sure it would qualify. Mr. Boose did not have much faith that they could get that project under contract by the end of the year. Ms. Ziemba said Mr. Mead had been in talks with a company already and she thought he was meeting with them this morning. She had all the specs, but she did not have a dollar amount. She asked if this was something they were willing to consider. Mr. Boose said he was willing to consider anything right now. Ms. Ziemba will let him know to continue to move forward.

Mr. Boose asked if Ms. Gordon really thought she would use \$270,000. Ms. Ziemba did not think so. She is expecting a billing next week. Mr. Wilde noted that was a moving target. Ms. Ziemba agreed. Every time she calls her it costs something, so it is a matter of what is that dollar amount? But Ms. Ziemba did not think she was billing us much. Mr. Brady thought once you get into it we will have her helping us with reporting review and those kinds of things. Ms. Ziemba said once she receives the billing next week she may reduce that number.

Mr. Boose asked how long they were going to wait for the master plan from Kleinfelder. Ms. Ziemba asked if she should call them. Mr. Boose thought she should. He would like her to ask them what their target date was.

Mr. Boose noted the number for North Coast Wireless was the award amount, but they haven't paid all of it. Ms. Ziemba confirmed that was correct. Mr. Boose told her they had asked Mr. Riedy to find out an estimated amount of how much is to be billed. Ms. Ziemba thought they would bill the full amount. She said the majority of it had been spent. They wouldn't start until they had around \$700,000 of it for materials and equipment. Mr. Boose just wants that number. He wants to know if they plan on billing the whole contract.

Mr. Boose had two emails regarding the MHAS board. There are two open positions. Two people were recommended by Ms. Cardone's board, then there are two more people. Mr. Brady said he called Ms. Cardone when he saw the email. One of the two the board recommended withdrew because they moved. So, they have to wait for the board to decide what they want with the fourth person. There would be three people interested, two would potentially be recommended. Mr. Boose suggested they should have interviews. He did not think they had to wait for the recommendations. They can wait to say who they want until after the board makes their recommendation. He was concerned that one of the people applying would have a conflict. The commissioners had previously voted to not put somebody on the board whose boss was already on the board. They did not think it was a good idea to have a boss and an employee on the board, whether they could be totally independent. Mr. Brady appreciated that, he did not even think about the boss being on the board. Mr. Strickler pointed out that they don't have to appoint them together. If you find somebody you like you can appoint one person and then wait a week or two to appoint the second person. It might be advisable to do that so they might have a fuller board than they do now. Mr. Boose understood that, and his only concern and the reason he wanted to do interviews was because that is a working board. They don't just show up for the monthly meetings, they are on all kinds of committees. For their sake he would like to make at least one of those decisions as soon as possible. Mr. Boose thought Ms. Ziemba should set up interviews. He will personally contact the person that might be a conflict and talk to her.

REGULAR SESSION

THURSDAY

JUNE 6, 2024

At 10:38 a.m. Terry Boose 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 June 6, 2024.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNING

The meeting was called to order at a.m. With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

Signatures on File