

REGULAR SESSION

THURSDAY

OCTOBER 4, 2007

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

07-332

IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM ACCOUNT #040 IN THE GENERAL FUND TO FUND #022

Mike Adelman moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a transfer of funds is needed for the #022 Buildings & Grounds fund; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves of the transfer of moneys from 040-00569-001 miscellaneous in the amount of \$6,000.00 to the Buildings & Grounds fund #022; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be sent to the Department requesting transfer, and the Huron County Auditor, and the Auditor’s office will make the journal entry to the # 022 account; 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.

Gary W. Bauer seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

- Aye – Mike Adelman
- Aye – Gary W. Bauer
- Aye – Ralph A. Fegley

07-333

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTS WITHIN THE HURON COUNTY MR/DD FUND #110

Gary W. Bauer moved the following resolution:

WHEREAS, there is a need for an appropriation adjustment; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners finds the request to be reasonable; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves the following appropriation adjustment:

FROM:	Dept.	Account	Fund	Amount	TO:	Dept.	Account	Fund	Amount
	110	00550	110	\$245,000.00		110	00275	110	\$10,000.00
		Transfer Out					Contract repairs		
						110	00400	110	\$70,000.00
							PERS/STRS		
						110	00460	110	\$ 5,000.00
							Medicare		
						110	00500	110	\$160,000.00
							Hospitalization		and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Huron County Auditor is authorized and instructed to record said appropriation adjustment as approved; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board is instructed to certify a copy of this resolution to the Huron County Auditor and the department requesting said adjustment; and further

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

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

- Aye – Mike Adelman
- Aye – Gary W. Bauer
- Aye – Ralph A. Fegley

07-334

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTS WITHIN THE GENERAL FUNDS #036

Mike Adelman moved the following resolution:

WHEREAS, there is a need for an appropriation adjustment; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Huron County Commissioners finds the request to be reasonable; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners hereby approves the following appropriation adjustments:

FROM:	Dept.	Account	Fund	Amount	TO:	Dept.	Account	Fund	Amount
	036	00177	001	\$40,000.00		036	00526	001	\$28,000.00
		Medical Hygiene					Jail Electric		
						036	00528	001	\$12,000.00
							Jail Water & Sewer		

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Huron County Auditor is authorized and instructed to record said appropriation adjustment as approved; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board is instructed to certify a copy of this resolution to the Huron County Auditor and the department requesting said adjustment; 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.

Gary W. Bauer seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

- Aye – Mike Adelman
- Aye – Gary W. Bauer
- Aye – Ralph A. Fegley

IN THE MATTER OF TRAVEL

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

- Aye – Mike Adelman
- Aye – Gary W. Bauer
- Aye – Ralph A. Fegley

Ralph A. Fegley, Commissioner, on October 10, 2007, to Columbus, Ohio, for CCAO sub-committee, Social Services Workforce.

Mike Adelman, Commissioner, on October 19, 2007, to Columbus, Ohio, for CCAO Trustee meeting.

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IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR LEAVE

Christina Norton/EMA/vacation/8:00 a.m. October 9, 2007 – 4:30 p.m. October 12, 2007.

SIGNINGS

Then & Now for 001-00564-030 for Bureau of Inspection for additional costs for county audit in the amount of \$3,765.36.

Administrator/Clerk's Report

Cheryl Nolan presented a Permissive Tax request for New London village in the amount of \$24,518.99 for release and letter of approval from the county engineer.

Mike Adelman moved to approve the release of Permissive Tax fund in the amount of \$24,518.99 for the village of New London county permissive tax funds. Gary W. Bauer seconded the motion. The roll being called upon its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

*Aye – Mike Adelman
Aye – Gary W. Bauer
Aye – Ralph A. Fegley*

Ms. Nolan also presented warranties for Liebert units at the Courthouse Complex. These will be given to Pete Welch, Maintenance Supervisor.

OTHER BUSINESS

Discussion was had in regards to dates and times of events the board will be attending.

Other discussion was had in regards to attending the Greater Cleveland Growth Partnership meeting on October 9, 2007 and it was decided that the regular session of the board will begin at 12:00 p.m.

Gary Bauer discussed a conversation that he with Commissioner Tim Wert at Richland County in regards to county building inspections. The board agreed that the inspection of the county energy project at the Courthouse Complex will be a good test as to how they are handling inspections in the county.

Mr. Bauer discussed the pre bid meeting for the 22 East Main Street project and reported on the number of contractors attending and discussed each contractor a little.

At 9:30 a.m. Public Comment

Lucinda Smith, Senior Enrichment/Huron County Transit and Kay Spore, Accounting for Huron County Transit came before the board. Ms. Smith began by requesting one board member to judge chili on November 13th 2007 along with also discussing a promotion DVD for Senior Services and requested that of the board members participate in making this DVD. It will be used to promote Senior Services. Ms. Smith also made a request to use the two rooms where the drivers' license exam station was to use as gift shop to bring money in for the new center, and it would give the seniors a place to sell their crafts. The board agreed to this arrangement. Ms. Smith asked what the status of the real estate agreement was, and it was decided that Daivia Kasper was in the process of reviewing. Next discussion was in regards to Huron County Transit and the need for additional funding. Ms. Smith stated that she will be asking Erie County contribute money to Huron County Transit as there are many riders from Erie County. Request was made for funding to finish the year in the amount of \$20,000.00. Feels that it is a county service and should be supported in some way. Ralph Fegley asked if there is something that they could do to avoid this next year. Ms. Smith stated that it is important that the county needs to support this as it is a county service, ODOT will look at it as the county should be supporting HC transit. This year there are denials which will help with ODOT granting more funds. Mike Adelman and Ralph Fegley stated that they would agree to transfer the funds in the amount of \$20,000.00. Gary Bauer stated that he sees a lot more questions at this time. The board agreed to Ms. Smith submitting a request.

At 10:00 a.m. Sue Bommer, HR Director came before the board in regards to her plan of action. Presented a matrix in this regard. Explained the issues that she has dealt with so far. Ms. Bommer went

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through the matrix and reported on what she has done.

Discussion was had in regards to the BMX track and where they can camp and park as the agreement does not address camping. The agreement will be reviewed by Daivia Kasper, Assistant Prosecutor to advise whether or not an amendment needs to be added for camping at large events.

At 10:30 a.m. Dick Sutherland, Sheriff, Pete Welch, Maintenance Supervisor, Dave Homan, Landfill Manager came before the board in regards to snow plowing issues. Need to determine personnel for snow plowing. Pete Welch stated that the original thought was to use Jeff Deeble, Maintenance Worker, Dave Homan, Landfill Manager and Jerry Huffman, Maintenance at Jail to do the plowing, and will collect on call pay to do so. The sheriff request that Lon Burton be part of the staff snow plowing. Mr. Welch stated that this would cause a grievance to be filed. Mr. Welch also stated that Mr. Burton is not under his supervision which will cause additional problems. Mr. Fegley asked if this can be done with the three employees, Mr. Welch stated that could happen. The board agreed that they were fine with the three employees that Mr. Welch listed. The sheriff stated that he is torn between two things the county commissioners and Lon Burton. One taking away this opportunity from Mr. Burton last year caused problems, but stated that he also understands the situation between the board and Mr. Burton. The Sheriff also explained that Mr. Burton has stated that he is ready to be part of the team and not part of the problem and of as late this guy has done a three sixty, basically whatever you asked him to do or whatever he has always been there, but also stated that he is not saying that is going to stay that way. The Sheriff feels that Mr. Burton should be given the opportunity to one, have an opportunity to do it, and two on the commissioners side if you have Dave Homan do it and you have Jeff Deeble, Jerry Huffman is already on call and is being compensated for on call so that is a cost factor. If you have Mr. Burton do it you will have to pay him on call. The Sheriff stated that his other issue is the vehicles that are going to be used, asked when will the snow plowing be done. The mechanic needs his vehicle. Mr. Welch asked if the vehicle that he is talking about is the green truck. Mr. Welch stated that the green truck will be in the Shady Lane area and won't be to far away. Mr. Bauer stated that he feels that Jerry Huffman makes sense because he is already on call, Jeff Deeble makes sense because he is the maintenance person and it is in his contract, and quite honestly he trusts Dave Homan, you put him out there and it will be done. Lon Burton is not a guy you want to reward, if he has done a three sixty then you reward him down the line somewhere. The Sheriff stated that it is enough said. Mr. Fegley stated that he hasn't seen it. Mr. Fegley stated that this will be a good test to see how he responds. The Sheriff stated that Jerry Huffman would plow the snow at the jail, so when 7:00 a.m. rolls around he is out of that truck because he has a job to do and that is in the jail. Cheryl Nolan asked what makes him different the other employees also have jobs to do during the day as well. The Sheriff stated that he has a 24 hour operation and they don't. Mr. Adelman agreed. Mr. Welch stated that you are saying during the day. Ms. Nolan asked what if you need him during the day to plow snow, Mr. Welch stated that he has backup. Mr. Welch stated it is going to be more important when and where. Mr. Welch stated that he has Royal Chisholm who can plow. Mr. Bauer stated we can use Mr. Chisholm during regular hours. Ms. Nolan stated unless something goes down then we need Mr. Chisholm. Mr. Welch stated then we use Mr. Huffman, and Ms. Nolan stated that is what I am trying to say is that Mr. Huffman needs to be available during the day as well. Mr. Welch stated that he is not saying that Mr. Huffman will not be available to plow snow during the day; Ms. Nolan asked the Sheriff if he was saying that Mr. Huffman is available to plow snow during the day. The Sheriff said no I am saying that he has to be available during the day, Ms. Nolan said for you at the jail, the sheriff stated where ever he goes, but he is assigned to the jail. Ms. Nolan stated but you are saying that he can plow snow during the day, the sheriff answered no, only during his on call hours. Ms. Nolan stated to the Sheriff so you are saying he can only plow during his on call hours, and the Sheriff answered why not he has other people that can do it. Mr. Welch stated that he did not think it was going to be an issue with pulling Mr. Huffman out of the jail to plow snow if Mr. Huffman is not working on anything important at the jail. The Sheriff stated that he is just bringing that point up. Mr. Bauer stated that the Sheriff is saying if he is needed at the jail he is needed at the jail. The Sheriff stated oh he is needed at the jail. The Sheriff finally agreed that if Mr. Huffman is needed to plow snow he will be able to do so. Mr. Bauer asked the Sheriff to send someone to the CORSA Buckeye Sheriff Association sponsored peace officer and correctional officer training at four different sites. The Sheriff asked in regards to what. Mr. Bauer read what the training is about and stated that he feels it is important to take advantage of any training that will make the employee better at their job. All staff needs to be trained and it goes along with CORSA policies. Mr. Bauer stated that it is the sheriff's choice.

Mr. Welch asked if he needed to plug the DJFS custodians back in the general fund budget for 2008 and the board agreed that is correct and he needs to do so.

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Sheriff discussed a tire changer purchase. Will put on expenditure over \$500 request. Lon Burton to get paperwork to Vickie to sell the tire changer that we have on gov deals.

At 10:57 a.m. the board recessed.

At 11:07 a.m. regular session resumed. Brenda Soblesky and Larry McGlinchy in regards to NAMI and explained NAMI and mental illness.

PROCLAMATION

MENTAL ILLNESS AWARENESS WEEK OCTOBER 7-13, 2007

WHEREAS, mental illnesses are medical illnesses that can often profoundly disrupt a person's thinking, feeling, mood, and ability to relate to others; and

WHEREAS, mental illnesses can affect persons of any age, race, religion, or socioeconomic status. Mental illnesses are not the result of personal weakness, or lack of character; and

WHEREAS, treatment works for most people living with mental illness, and an array of services and supports including access to appropriate medication and peer-support service are necessary to ensure recovery, and early identification and treatment is of vital importance;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, we, the Board of Commissioners, of Huron County, Ohio do hereby proclaim **October 7-13, 2007 as Mental Illness Awareness Week** in Huron County, Ohio and urge all citizens to recognize and support the needs of children and adults with mental illness in our community:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF

We have hereunto subscribed our names this 4th day of October in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

HURON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Mike Adelman, Gary W. Bauer, Ralph A.. Fegley

At 11:20 a.m. Don Ruffing, Soil and Water Conservation came before the board in regards to ditch maintenance reductions for work being done by owners.

07-335

IN THE MATTER OF GRANT REDUCTIONS FOR DITCH MAINTENANCE WORK DONE BY OWNERS ACCORDING TO SECTION 6137.08 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE

Mike Adelman moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORC 6137.08 any owner may make application for reduction in his maintenance assessment due to work he proposes on any portion of a public ditch, watercourse, or other improvement; and

WHEREAS, several owners have made applications to do their own work in accordance with ORC 6137.08; and

WHEREAS, the Huron Soil and Water Conservation District has submitted a schedule containing the percent reductions recommended for the owners as attached herein; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Huron County Commissioners does hereby approve the reductions as listed on the attached schedule; and further

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

IN THE MATTER OF CERTIFICATION

The Clerk to the Board does hereby attest that the foregoing is a true and correct record of all actions taken by the Board of Huron County Commissioners on October 4, 2007.

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 11:55 a.m.

Signatures on file.