

The Regular Meeting of the Hillsdale County Board of Commissioners convened on February 12, 2013 in the Board of Commissioners Room, 29 N. Howell Street, Hillsdale, Michigan.

Commissioner Burtka called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America by Commissioner Welden.

<u>ROLL CALL:</u>	<u>DISTRICT:</u>	<u>PRESENT:</u>	<u>ABSENT:</u>
	1.		Parke Hayes
	2.	Mark Wiley	
	3.	Brad Benzing	
	4.	Andy Welden	
	5.	John Burtka	

AGENDA:

1. Call to Order
2. Prayer & Pledge by Commissioner Welden
3. Public Comment
4. Consent Agenda:
Review & Correction/Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of January 22, 2013
13-029: County Compensation Commission
13-030: PA 116 - Hasley
13-031: Payrolls/Payables/Transfers January 2013
13-032: Farmers' Market - Courthouse Parking Lot
5. Correspondence - Listed
6. Regular Agenda
7. Standing Order:
9:10 a.m. Lucas Gabbard, Hillsdale Conservation District - Grant Funding
9:30 a.m. Bill Word, Drain Commissioner - Annual Report
8. Committee Reports:
 - A. **FINANCE - ANDY WELDEN**
 - B. **HUMAN SERVICES/JUDICIARY - BRAD BENZING**
 - C. **FACILITIES/TECHNOLOGY/ECON DEVELOPMENT - PARKE HAYES**
13-033: Payment to Griffiths Mechanical - Application #2
13-034: Payment to Griffiths Mechanical - Application #3
 - D. **PUBLIC SAFETY - MARK WILEY**
 - E. **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT/MANAGEMENT & PERSONNEL - JOHN BURTKA**
9. Public Comment
10. Additional Business
11. Adjournment

Present: Irving Strong, Randy Finley, Marney Kast, Andy Barrand, Vicki Reynolds-Boyd and Lucas Gabbard.

C/Benzing asked to remove Resolution 13-029: County Compensation Commission, from the Consent Agenda.

C/Welden moved to approve the Consent Agenda with the removal of Resolution 13-029. Second by C/Benzing. Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 1-Absent. CARRIED

9:02 a.m. Lucas Gabbard from the Hillsdale Conservation District addressed the Board regarding a request for matching funds for three grants. There was some discussion.

9:06 a.m. C/Wiley entered.

9:13 a.m. Bill Word, Karen Winchell and Joann Sharp entered.

9:17 a.m. Mr. Gabbard finished.

9:18 a.m. Bill Word, Drain Commissioner, reviewed his 2012 Annual Report with the Board.

C/Benzing moved to accept the 2012 Annual Drain Report as presented. Second by C/Welden.

Vote: 4-Yes, 0-No, 1-Absent.

CARRIED

Mr. Word informed the Board that he will be becoming a member of MISS DIG.

9:39 a.m. Ted Jansen entered.

9:40 a.m. Mr. Word finished.

C/Benzing updated the Board on items under his committee.

Randy Finley, Facilities Director, explained the purpose of the next two installment payments to Griffiths Mechanical.

C/Benzing moved to approve Resolution 13-033: Payment of \$85,308.26 to Griffiths Mechanical for Application 2 of the HVAC Project. Second by C/Welden. Vote: 4-Yes, 0-No, 1-Absent.

CARRIED

C/Benzing moved to approve Resolution 13-034: Payment of \$91,190.75 to Griffiths Mechanical for Application 3 of the HVAC Project. Second by C/Wiley. Vote: 4-Yes, 0-No, 1-Absent.

CARRIED

C/Benzing moved to approve Resolution 13-029: The establishment of a County Officer's Compensation Commission which would consist of seven volunteer registered voters. Second by C/Welden. There was much discussion. Roll Call Vote: C/Burtka - No, C/Hayes - Absent, C/Welden - Yes, C/Wiley - No, C/Benzing - Yes. Vote: 2-Yes, 2-No, 1-Absent.

FAILED

There was more discussion regarding a committee to look at the wages of the elected and their deputies.

C/Wiley moved to establish an Ad-Hoc Committee appointed by the Chairman to review bi-annually. This committee should consist of the Chairman of Finance Committee, County Clerk and either the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners or the Vice Chair of Finance. Their task will be to review wages and benefits of Elected Officials, Elected Officials Deputies and Department heads. Once this has been completed, before October 1st of the odd year, the findings will be presented to the full Board of Commissioners for approval or disapproval. Second by C/Welden. Roll Call Vote: C/Hayes - Absent, C/Welden - Yes, C/Wiley - Yes, C/Benzing - No, C/Burtka - Yes. Vote: 3-Yes, 1-No, 1-Absent.

CARRIED

C/Wiley gave a brief report on items under his committee.

C/Burtka reviewed items that need to be done regarding Revenue Sharing.

Under Public Comment, Randy Finley, Facilities Director, informed the Board of two change orders regarding the HVAC Project. The first and most important one has to do with electrical work that was not foreseen. The second one has to do with lighting in the Inspection Office. Mr. Finley stated that this is not a necessary change but the Inspection Office would like to have it done and are willing to take the funding from their budget. There was some discussion regarding the electrical issue.

C/Benzing moved to approve the Motion to approve the Change Order 1 in the amount of \$5,930.59 for additional electrical work. Second by C/Welden, Vote: 4-Yes, 0-No, 1-Absent.

CARRIED

C/Benzing moved to approve the Motion to approve Change Order 2 in the amount of \$1,590.00 for the replacement of lighting in the Inspection Office, with the funds to be taken from the Building Inspection Department. Second by C/Welden. Vote: 4-Yes, 0-No, 1-Absent.

CARRIED

Ted Jansen spoke on behalf of the need for security in the Courthouse.

11:03 a.m. adjournment by call of the Chair.

John Burtka, Chair
Board of Commissioners

Marney M. Kast,
County Clerk