

The Regular Meeting of the Hillsdale County Board of Commissioners convened on April 23, 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 Benzing.

<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 Benzing
3. Public Comment
4. Consent Agenda
  - Review & Correction/Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2013
  - 13-050: Vehicle Purchase - Equalization Department
  - 13-051: Payment to Griffiths Mechanical - HVAC #5
  - 13-052: Authorization to Pay Keller Thoma - Updating Policy & Procedures Manual & Employment Application
  - 13-054: Payment to OMC
  - 13-055: Payment to Maximus, Inc.
  - 13-056: Payment to MMRMA
5. Correspondence - Listed
6. Regular Agenda:
7. Standing Order:
  - 9:10 a.m. Laurie Brandes, Coordinator - Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition Updates
  - 9:30 a.m. Roger Jermeay, Chairman Veterans Board & Ken Bengel, Director Budget Concerns
8. Committee Reports:
  - A. **PUBLIC SAFETY - MARK WILEY**
    - 13-049: E911 Surcharge
  - B. **FINANCE - ANDY WELDEN**
    - TABLED - 13-047: Insurance 80/20 Michigan PA 152 of 2011, Sec. 4
    - 13-053: Insurance 80/20 Michigan PA 152 of 2011, Sec. 4
  - C. **HUMAN SERVICES/JUDICIARY - BRAD BENZING**
  - D. **FACILITIES/TECH/ECON DEVELOPMENT - PARKE HAYES**
    - 13-057: Purchase Services - Kiwanis Club of Hillsdale - Flags
  - E. **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT/MGMT & PERSONNEL - JOHN BURTKA**
8. Public Comment
9. Additional Business
10. Adjournment

Present: Laurie Brandes, Andy Barrand, Roger Jermeay, Ken Benge, Marney Kast, Ted Jansen, Bill Word, Vickie Reynolds-Boyd and Wendy Playford.

Under Public Comment, Ted Jansen expressed concern regarding security in the Courthouse.

Bill Word, Drain Commissioner, updated the Board on the Chandler Drain.

C/Benzing asked to remove Resolution 13-055: Payment to Maximus Inc. from the Consent Agenda.

C/Hayes moved to approve the Consent Agenda with the removal of Resolution 13-055. Second by C/Benzing. Vote: 4-Yes, 0-No, 1-Absent. CARRIED

9:07 a.m. C/Welden entered.

C/Wiley expressed some concern over the letter from Jefferson Township regarding Reading Emergency Unit. C/Wiley and C/Benzing will look into this.

C/Hayes commented on two pieces of correspondence regarding local factories.

C/Hayes moved to approve the Regular Agenda. Second by C/Benzing. Vote unanimous. CARRIED

9:16 a.m. Laurie Brandes and Wendy Playford, Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition, updated the Board on what has been happening in their organization.

9:32 a.m. Ms. Brandes and Ms. Playford finished.

9:33 a.m. Roger Jermeay, Veteran's Board Chair, addressed the Board regarding the need for an increase in their office operating expenses. There was much discussion on this issue. It was the consensus of the Board to have C/Welden, Mr. Jermeay and Mr. Benge meet and go over the Veterans Budget.

9:50 a.m. Mr. Jermeay finished.

Mr. Ken Benge, Director of the Veteran's Affairs Office introduced himself to the Board and updated the Board on how many veterans have been served during the month of April.

9:52 a.m. Randy Finley entered.

9:57 a.m. Mr. Benge exited.

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

C/Wiley moved that the Board of Commissioners move forward with a plan of securing the Hillsdale Courthouse by securing all entry points with the exception of the southeast entrance and to move the metal detector to that location. Further proposing that a Deputy be positioned at that entrance except when he is needed for bailiff duties. Also, proposing that this be a six (6) month trial basis beginning May 13, 2013. Further more, a meeting of all Courthouse personnel be held prior to the effective date on May 10, 2013 at 4 p.m. in the Circuit Court room. This will make it necessary for the clerk's office to post an early closing for that day. Second by C/Hayes. There was much discussion. Roll Call Vote: C/Welden - No, C/Wiley - Yes, C/Benzing - No, C/Burtka - No, C/Hayes - No. Vote: 1-Yes, 4-No. FAILED

C/Wiley moved to approve Resolution 13-049: Setting the E-911 Telephone Surcharge at \$2.10 effective the first of July 2013 through the end of June 2014. Second by C/Welden. Roll Call Vote: C/Wiley - Yes, C/Benzing - Yes, C/Burtka - Yes, C/Hayes - Yes, C/Welden - Yes. Vote: 5-Yes, 0-No. CARRIED

C/Welden moved to approve Resolution 13-055: Payment of \$8,000 to Maximus, Inc. for services rendered in the preparation of the FY 2010 Central Services Cost Allocation Plan. Second by C/Benzing. There was some discussion regarding why this payment is delinquent. Vote unanimous. CARRIED

C/Welden moved to approve Resolution 13-053: Adoption of the 80/20 plan for medical insurance for the Hillsdale County Employees and Elected Officials pursuant to Section 4 of Michigan PA 152 of 2011. Second by C/Wiley. Vote unanimous. CARRIED

C/Welden gave an update on the Audit process.

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

C/Hayes moved to approve Resolution 13-057: The contracting of services with the Hillsdale Kiwanis Club for erecting, maintaining, dismantling and storing 15 American Flags to be displayed on the Courthouse Grounds for a cost of \$450. Second by C/Wiley. Vote: 4-Yes, 1-No (C/Benzing). CARRIED

C/Hayes gave an update on items under his committee.

C/Burtka gave an update on items under his committee.

C/Burtka asked the Board how they felt about some kind of memorial for Kenneth Lautzenheiser. C/Burtka stated that the Michigan Association of Counties would like to share in the cost.

Under Public Comment, Bill Word, Drain Commissioner gave a report on how the rain has affected the drains in the county. He also stated that the Board may want to consider looking into establishing an assessment roll for Baw Beese Lake.

Randy Finley informed the Board that the Water Tower at the Department of Human Services Building is going to have to be replaced. The first estimate has come in at about \$62,000.

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

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John Burtka, Chair  
Board of Commissioners

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Marney M. Kast,  
County Clerk