

The Regular Meeting of the Hillsdale County Board of Commissioners convened on October 8, 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.	Ruth Brown	
	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 Sept. 24, 2013
13-115: Denial of Waiver for \$75.00 Building Permit Fee
13-116: Adoption of Policies and Procedures

5. Correspondence - Listed
6. Regular Agenda
7. Standing Order:

9:10 a.m. Doug Sanford, E-911/Emergency Management Director,
Emergency Management Program Grant - Work Agreement/
Quarterly

9:30 a.m. David Williams - Headwaters Authority Appointment

8. Committee Reports:

A. PUBLIC SAFETY - MARK WILEY

B. FINANCE - ANDY WELDEN

C. HUMAN SERVICES/JUDICIARY - BRAD BENZING

D. FACILITIES/TECH/ECON DEVELOPMENT - RUTH BROWN

13-117: Authorize Randy Finley to sign new Lease Agreement - Lifeways

13-118: Authorize \$27,000 to be transferred to Lifeways Bldg. Maintenance
Budget for operational Expenses - 25 Care Drive

13-119: Permission to Hire an Appraiser for Equalization Dept.

E. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT/MGMT & PERSONNEL - JOHN BURTKA

9. Public Comment
10. Additional Business
11. Adjournment

Present: Marney Kast, Nick Wheeler, Ken Benge, Doug Sanford, Andy Barrand, Denise Baker, Vickie Reynolds-Boyd and Mike Messenger.

9:03 a.m. C/Wiley entered.

C/Welden moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Second by C/Benzing. Vote
unanimous. CARRIED

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

C/Welden was going to add Resolution 13-120 through 13-125 which deals with the spreading of taxes but it was the consensus of the Board and others present to bring these Resolutions at the next meeting.

9:05 a.m. Doug Sanford, E-911/Emergency Management Director addressed the Board regarding the Emergency Management Performance Grant Work Agreement Quarterly Report. Mr. Sanford along with support people from the Michigan State Police explained what this was about and to answer any questions.

9:33 a.m. Mr. Sanford finished and exited along with the people from the State Police.

9:34 a.m. David Williams addressed the Board regarding the need for an appointment to the Headwater Authority. Mr. Williams explained what the Authority was in the process of doing.

9:43 a.m. Mr. Williams finished.

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

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

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

9:51 a.m. Randy Finley entered.

C/Brown moved to approve Resolution 13-117: Authorizing the Facilities Director to sign the new Lease Agreement between Lifeways and Hillsdale County upon approval from Hillsdale County's Attorney. This will be a five year lease at \$7.25 per square foot. Second by C/Benzing. Vote unanimous. CARRIED

C/Brown moved to approve Resolution 13-118: Amending the Revenue and Expenditure sides of the 2013 General Fund Budget do to the Lifeways Building becoming owned by the County. Second by C/Welden. Vote unanimous. CARRIED

C/Brown moved to approve Resolution 13-119: Approval of the wage classification for the Appraiser I position in the Equalization Department. Second by C/Benzing. Roll Call Vote: C/Wiley - Yes, C/Benzing - Yes, C/Burtka - Yes, C/Brown - Yes, C/Welden - Yes. Vote: 5-Yes, 0-No CARRIED

C/Brown gave an update on items under her committee.

C/Burtka informed the Board that he has gotten very close to finding a Financial Manager for the County.

C/Burtka also presented the Board with a letter of response to the State of Michigan regarding the funding for Lifeways.

C/Welden moved to authorize the Chair to sign the letter and send it to the State. Second by C/Brown. Vote unanimous. CARRIED

Nick Wheeler, Equalization Director stated that he was happy the Board decided to wait on the approval of the Spreading of Taxes because he had a few jurisdictions that had not submitted their report.

Mike Messenger addressed the Board regarding the use of Soldiers and Sailor Relief money transfer into the fund for operating the office. He stated that he felt this was done in error and will be getting it figured out.

10:30 a.m. adjournment by call of the Chair.

John Burtka, Chair
Board of Commissioners

Marney M. Kast,
County Clerk