The Regular Meeting of the Hillsdale County Board of Commissioners convened on July 11, 2017 in the Board of Commissioners/Probate Courtroom, 29 N. Howell Street, Hillsdale, Michigan.

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

**ROLL CALL:**

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**AGENDA:**

1. Call to Order
2. Prayer & Pledge by Commissioner Wiley
3. Public Comment
4. Consent Agenda
   - Review & Correction/Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of June 27, 2017
   - Review & Correction/Approval of Strategic Planning Session of June 23, 2017
   - 07-078: payroll, Payables and Transfers – June 2017
5. Correspondence - Listed
6. Regular Agenda
7. Standing Order:
   - 9:10 a.m. Judge Michelle Bianchi & Prosecutor Neal Brady – Updates
   - 9:15 a.m. Ken Talsma, Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC
   - 2016 Audit Financial Review
8. Committee Reports:
   A. **HUMAN SERVICES – RUTH BROWN**
      - 17-079: Region II Area Agency on Aging Fiscal Year 2018 Annual Implementation Plan
   B. **PUBLIC SAFETY – JOHN BURTKA**
   C. **FACILITIES/TECHNOLOGY/ECON DEVELOPMENT – JULIE GAMES**
   D. **FINANCE – BRUCE CASWELL**
   E. **CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT/MANAGEMENT & PERSONNEL – MARK WILEY**
9. Public Comment
10. Additional Business
11. Adjournment

Present: Stephenie Kyser, Bill Bishop, Ken Talsma, Sheriff Parker, Marney Kast, Margaret O’Malley, Andy Barrand, Roy Bodinus, Judge Bianchi and Derek Ringman.

Under Public Comment, Stephenie Kyser, Hillsdale County Treasurer, reviewed with the Board the Investment Inventory for period ending June 30, 2017.

Ms. Kyser informed the Board that her Head Bookkeeper, Linda Loomis, will be retiring on July 31, 2017. She would like to be able to replace this position. She would also like to have permission to replace the Assistant Bookkeeper if she is selected to fill the Head Bookkeeper position. There was some discussion.

C/Burtka moved to allow the Treasurer to post the two positions. Second by C/Games. Vote: 4-Yes, 1-No (C/Caswell). CARRIED

C/Brown moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Second by C/Games. Vote unanimous. CARRIED

C/Games moved to approve the Regular Agenda. Second by C/Burtka. Vote unanimous. CARRIED

9:08 a.m. Judge Bianchi addressed the Board informing them that Dan Boyd, Probate Court Administrator/Juvenile Referee will be retiring effective September 1, 2017. She informed them that this position must be filled by an attorney. Notices were sent out to the local Bar Association informing them of the upcoming vacancy. No resumes were received. Megan Stiverson, the current First Assistant Prosecutor will be filling this position. She also
stated that there will be no change in wages for this person other than she would like it to
be a salaried position instead of an hourly. There was some discussion.

C/Brown moved to support Judge Bianchi’s decision to replace Mr. Boyd’s position
with Ms. Stiverson. Second by C/Burtka. Vote unanimous. CARRIED

9:27 a.m. Judge Bianchi finished and exited.

9:28 a.m. Ken Talsma from Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC reviewed the 2016
Financial Audit. There was some discussion.

10:34 a.m. Mr. Talsma finished and exited.

C/Brown moved to approve Resolution 17-079: Accepting the Region II Area Agency
on Aging Fiscal Year 2018 Annual Implementation Plan. Second by C/Games. Vote
unanimous. CARRIED

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

C/Burtka gave an update on items under his committee. There was some discussion
regarding the Solid Waste Committee. Several positions still need to be filled.

C/Games gave an update on items under her committee. There was some discussion
regarding the Ambulance Services.

C/Caswell moved to remove himself from the Ambulance Committee and have
C/Games take his place. Second by C/Brown. C/Burtka moved to Table which died for lack
of support. There was much discussion. Vote: 4Yes, 1-No (C/Burtka). CARRIED

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

C/Wiley informed the Board that MERS will be present at the first meeting in August
to discuss what they can offer in 401 retirements. MERS will be back in October to
specifically discuss the Defined Benefit Program.

There was discussion regarding C/Burtka’s earlier Motion on replacing positions in
the Treasurer’s Office.

C/Burtka moved to rescind his earlier Motion that allowed for the Treasurer to post
two positions to fill. Second by C/Games. Vote unanimous. CARRIED

C/Burtka moved to allow the Treasurer to replace the Head Bookkeeper position.
Second by C/Games. Vote: 4-Yes, 1-No (C/Caswell). CARRIED

Under Public Comment, Roy Bodinus commented on the Audit.

Under Additional Business, C/Games stated that she has been asked why inmates
are not being used to clean up places like the fairgrounds. Sheriff Parker stated that he has
to supply a corrections officer to watch over them and that no one wants to reimburse for
those services. There was some discussion.

11:43 a.m. adjournment by call of the Chair.

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Mark E. Wiley, Chair                               Marney M. Kast,
Board of Commissioners                             County Clerk