The Regular Meeting of the Hillsdale County Board of Commissioners convened on July 9, 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 Burtka.

**ROLL CALL:**

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**AGENDA:**

1. Call to Order
2. Prayer & Pledge by Commissioner Burtka
3. Public Comment
4. Consent Agenda
   - Review & Correction/Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of June 25, 2013
   - 13-075: Appt. to Region II Area Agency on Aging
   - 13-076: Payment to Griffiths Mechanical - App. #6 - Final
   - 13-077: Payrolls, Payables & Transfers - June 2013
   - 13-078: Payment of Special Projects - DHS Cooling Tower & Drinking Fountain
   - 13-079: Authorize Veteran's Affairs Office to Hire a Part-Time Person
   - 13-080: Acceptance of Parke Hayes Resignation
   - 13-083: Payment to OMC - Professional Services
   - 13-084: Authorize Facilities Dir. to proceed with Security Upgrade - FOC
5. Correspondence - Listed
6. Regular Agenda
7. Standing Order:
   - 9:07 a.m. Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC - 2012 Audit Presentation
8. Committee Reports:
   - **A. HUMAN SERVICES/JUDICIARY - BRAD BENZING**
   - **B. FACILITIES/TECH/ECON DEVELOPMENT - PARKE HAYES**
   - **C. PUBLIC SAFETY - MARK WILEY**
     - Courthouse Security Update
     - 13-082: Employee Firearms Policy
   - **D. FINANCE - ANDY WELDEN**
   - **E. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT/ MGMT & PERSONNEL - JOHN BURTKA**
9. Public Comment
10. Additional Business
11. Adjournment

Present: Maxine Vanlerberg, Gary Leininger, Vicki Reynolds-Boyd, Randy Finley, David Holcomb, Marney Kast, Mike Messenger, Mike Mitchell and Ken Talsma.

Under Public Comment, Maxine Vanlerberg, Director, Community Action Agency, addressed the Board regarding a partnership for a Financial Empowerment Grant. There was some discussion.

C/Welden moved to approve the Consent Agenda with the removal of 13-079 and placed under Public Safety and adding 13-082 to the Consent Agenda. Second by C/Wiley. Vote: 4-Yes, 0-No, 1-Absent. CARRIED

C/Welden moved to approve the Regular Agenda with the addition of discussion on the Grant presented by Ms. Vanlerberg. Second by C/Wiley. Vote: 4-Yes, 0-No, 1-Vacancy. CARRIED

9:07 a.m. Ken Talsma, Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC reviewed the 2012 Audit with the Board.
C/Benzing moved to accept the 2012 Audit and place it on file. Second by C/Welden. Vote: 4-Yes, 0-No, 1-Vacancy. 
9:29 a.m. Mr. Talsma finished and exited along with Gary Leininger and David Holcomb.

C/Benzing moved to approve Resolution 13-081: Appropriation of $194,000 to Lifeways Mental Health for the 2014 Budget. Second by C/Wiley. Vote: 4-Yes, 0-No, 1-Vacancy. CARRIED

C/Benzing gave an update on items under his committee.
Randy Finley, Facilities Director, was asked to give an update on the Buildings and Grounds.
9:43 a.m. Bill Word entered.
9:48 a.m. Mr. Finley finished his update and exited.

C/Wiley moved to approve Resolution 13-079: Authorizing the Veteran's Affairs Director to hire a part time person. Second by C/Welden. C/Wiley stated that he felt this position should be a Deputy Director position in order to avoid issues with payroll and the Union. There was some discussion.
C/Wiley moved to amend the Resolution to state that the Veteran's Affairs Director be allowed to hire a part time Deputy Director. Second by C/Welden. Vote on amendment: 4-Yes, 0-No, 1-Vacancy. CARRIED
Vote on Resolution as amended: 4-Yes, 0-No, 1-Vacancy. CARRIED
C/Wiley updated the Board on items under his committee.
C/Welden stated that he would like to support the Community Action Agency in their quest for the Financial Empowerment Grant. Ms.Vanlerberg stated that it would be a partnership with no financial obligation.
C/Welden moved to support the Community Action Agency in their quest for the Financial Empowerment Grant. Second by C/Benzing. Vote: 4-Yes, 0-No, 1-Vacancy. CARRIED

10:04 a.m. Mike Messenger exited.
C/Burtka stated that new legislation was signed by the Governor regarding the appointment of a County Commissioner who has resigned, passed away or otherwise removed from office. He stated that information will go out and resumes shall be accepted until 9:00 a.m. on the 19th of July in the County Clerk's Office. A meeting of the Personnel Committee will be held at 10:00 a.m. on that same day with the appointment being done on the 23rd of July.

Under Public Comment, Marney Kast, Hillsdale County Clerk, informed the Board of what will be on the August 2013 Ballot.
10:14 a.m. adjournment by call of the Chair.

John Burtka, Chair
Board of Commissioners

Marney M. Kast,
County Clerk