

The Regular Meeting of the Hillsdale County Board of Commissioners convened on May 11, 2021 at the Board of Commissioners Room, 33 McCollum Street, Suite 210, 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 Schmitt.

<u>ROLL CALL:</u>	<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>PRESENT:</u>	<u>ABSENT:</u>
	1	Doug Ingles	
	2	Kathy Schmitt	
	3	Mark Wiley	
	4	Brad Benzing	
	5	Brent Leininger	

AGENDA:

1. Call to Order
2. Prayer & Pledge by Commissioner Schmitt
3. Public Comment
4. Consent Agenda:
 - Review & Correction/Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of April 27, 2021
 - 21-050: Payroll, Payables, Transfers – April 2021
 - 21-051: Drain Transfer from General Fund to Revolving Lake Level Fund
 - 21-052: Drain Transfer from General Fund to Revolving Drain Fund
5. Correspondence – Listed
6. Regular Agenda
7. Standing Order:
 - 9:10 a.m. Shamar Herron, Executive Director, Michigan Works! Southeast and Misty Shulters, Deputy Director, Sandy Vallance and Tom Robinson – 2020 Michigan Works! Southeast
8. Committee Reports:
 - A. HUMAN SERVICES – BRENT LEININGER**
 - B. PUBLIC SAFETY/JUDICIARY – BRAD BENZING**
 - 21-053: Veteran's Exemption Resolution/Policy
 - C. FACILITIES/TECH/ECON DEVELOPMENT – DOUG INGLES**
 - D. BUDGET – KATHY SCHMITT**
 - E. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT/MANAGEMENT & PERSONNEL – MARK WILEY**
 - 21-054: Hiring Policy
9. Public Comment
10. Additional Business
11. Adjournment

Present: Jim Graves, Bob Eichler, Stephenie Kyser, Sandy Vallance, Tom Robinson, Shamar Herron, Misty Shulters, Laura Rahe, Andy Brown, Karen Winchell, and Abe Dane.

Present via WebEx: None

Under Public Comment Bob Eichler commented on concerns with the funding coming from the American Rescue Plan and Hillsdale County's delinquent tax collection procedures.

C/Leininger moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by C/Ingles. Vote unanimous. CARRIED

C/Benzing moved to approve the Regular Agenda. Seconded by C/Leininger. Vote unanimous. CARRIED

9:05 a.m. Bob Eichler and Karen Winchell exited.

9:08 a.m. Shamar Herron, Executive Director of Michigan Works! Southeast introduced himself and his staff. Each reported on aspects of their office's management of funds, activities during the past year, and things to look forward to, along with a call to action for how members of the community can help. There was some discussion.

9:35 a.m. Shamar Herron, Sandy Vallance, Tom Robinson, and Misty Shulters exited.

C/Leininger gave an update on items under his committee. There was some discussion.

C/Benzing moved to adopt Resolution 21-053: Veteran's Exemption Resolution/Policy. Seconded by C/Ingles. There was some discussion. Vote unanimous. CARRIED

C/Ingles gave an update on items under his committee. There was some discussion.

C/Ingles moved to cancel the Special Board Meeting posted for May 14th at 3:30 p.m. at the Courthouse and make it a Committee Meeting instead. Seconded by C/Leininger. Vote unanimous. CARRIED

C/Schmitt gave an update on items under her committee. There was some discussion.

C/Wiley moved to adopt Resolution 21-054: Hillsdale County Hiring Policy. Seconded by C/Benzing. There was some discussion. Vote unanimous. CARRIED

C/Wiley gave an update on items under his committee. There was some discussion.

11:05 a.m. C/Leininger exited briefly, returning at 11:07 a.m.

Under Public Comment Jim Graves commented on COVID government regulations hurting industry and being unconstitutional.

11:10 a.m. Andy Brown exited.

Under Additional Business, C/Leininger, C/Schmitt, C/Benzing, and C/Wiley addressed a few final items. There was some discussion.

11:28 a.m. adjournment by call of the Chair.