

The Regular Meeting of the Hillsdale County Board of Commissioners convened on July 27, 2021 at the Board of Commissioners Room, 33 McCollum Street, Suite 210, Hillsdale, Michigan.

Commissioner Wiley called the meeting to order at 9:03 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 – July 13, 2021
 - 21-079: Rescind Resolution 21-058 Hillsdale County COVID Preparedness & Response Plan
 - 21-080: Authorize Chair to sign Addendum to 2019 Mid-State Health Network Substance Use Disorder Oversight Policy Advisory Board Intergovernmental Agreement

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

9:10 a.m. Economic Development Partnership – Susan Smith, Executive Director Updates

9:25 a.m. Ken Talsma, CPA – Anderson, Tackman & Company TLC – 2020 Independent Auditors Report

10:00 a.m. Rebecca Burns, Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Community Health Agency 2020 Annual Report

8. Committee Reports:

- A. PUBLIC SAFETY/JUDICIARY – BRAD BENZING**
 - 21-078: Accept Televate LLC Proposal
 - Discussion: 800 MHz Radios/Equipment
 - Discussion: Membership into River Raisin Watershed Council
- B. FACILITIES/TECH/ECON DEVELOPMENT – DOUG INGLES**
 - 21-077 After Hours Access Policy
 - Discussion: Dave Holcomb, Broadband Taskforce
- C. BUDGET – KATHY SCHMITT**
 - 21-081: Amendment for 800 Megahertz Study
 - 21-082: Amending 2021 Capital Improvement Appropriation Budget
 - 21-083: Amending 2021 Contractual Services
 - Discussion: Salary/Wage Study
 - Discussion: Budget Committee Findings RE: Michigan Works! Parking Lot and Façade at the Sheriff's Office
- D. HUMAN SERVICES – BRENT LEININGER**
- E. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT/MANAGEMENT & PERSONNEL – MARK WILEY**

9. Public Comment
10. Additional Business
11. Adjournment

Present: Sue Smith, Doug Sanford, Ken Talsma, JP Rudell, Kris Dewey, Renae Shircliff and Stephenie Kyser.

Under Public Comment, Renae Shircliff, Veterans Affairs Director, informed the Board that last year the Veterans Affairs Office brought \$24,641,000 into the county.

9:01 a.m. Ms. Shircliff exited.

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

Under Correspondence, C/Leininger commented on the Road Commission's financials.

C/Ingles moved to approve the Regular Agenda. Second by C/Schmitt. Vote unanimous. CARRIED

9:04 a.m. Sue Smith, Executive Director of the Economic Development Partnership, gave an update on what has been taking place with the agency.

9:07 a.m. Laura Rahe entered.

9:08 a.m. Rebecca Burns entered.

9:15 a.m. Derek Ringman entered.
9:22 a.m. Ms. Smith finished.
9:23 a.m. Ken Talsma, CPA from Anderson, Tackman & Company TLC, reviewed the 2020 Independent Auditors Report with the Board.
9:58 a.m. Mr. Talsma finished and exited along with Ms. Smith and Mr. Ringman.
9:59 a.m. Rebecca Burns and Kris Dewey reviewed the Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Community Health Agency 2020 Annual Report with the Board.
10:04 a.m. Mr. Ringman re-entered.
10:30 a.m. Ms. Burns and Ms. Dewey finished and exited.
C/Benzing moved to approve Resolution 21-078: Accepting the proposal from Televate, LLC in the amount of \$28,969 to assist Hillsdale County with assessing the feasibility and expected cost to migrate the Public Safety Communications Operations to the Michigan Public Safety Communications System. Second by C/Leininger. There was much discussion and comments were made by Doug Sanford, E-911 Director. Roll Call Vote: C/Benzing – Yes, C/Leininger – Yes, C/Ingles – Yes, C/Schmitt – Yes, C/Wiley – Yes. Vote: 5-Yes, 0-No. CARRIED
C/Benzing gave an update on items under his committee.
10:42 a.m. David Holcomb entered.
David Holcomb, IT Director, addressed the Board regarding a Broadband Task Force. There was much discussion. It was the consensus of the Board to establish the task force with recommendations from Mr. Holcomb.
11:21 a.m. Mr. Rudell exited.
11:30 a.m. Mr. Sanford and Mr. Holcomb exited.
C/Ingles moved to approve Resolution 21-077: After Hours Access Policy for the Courthouse, Courthouse Annex and the County Office Building. Second by C/Benzing. Vote unanimous. CARRIED
C/Ingles gave an update on items under his committee.
C/Schmitt moved to approve Resolution 21-081: Budget amendments to cover the cost of the feasibility study by Televate, LLC. Second by C/Leininger. Vote unanimous. CARRIED
C/Schmitt moved to approve Resolution 21-082: Budget amendments to cover costs of repaving the parking lot at Michigan Works! Southeast and repair the façade at the Sheriff's Department. Second by C/Leininger. Vote unanimous. CARRIED
C/Leininger moved to accept the bid from Quality Asphalt in the amount of \$38,875.00 for the removal and replacement of the parking lot at Michigan Works! Southeast. The funds are to be taken from the Capital Improvement Fund. Second by C/Ingles. There was some discussion. Vote unanimous. CARRIED
C/Leininger moved to reject the bid from Foulke Construction for façade repair at the Hillsdale County Jail and to authorize the Facilities Department to spend up to \$10,000.00 to replace the brick façade at the jail with steel. The funds will be taken from the Capital Improvement Fund. Second by C/Benzing. Vote unanimous. CARRIED
C/Schmitt moved to approve Resolution 21-083: Budget amendments to cover the additional cost for having the screeners in the Courthouse, Courthouse Annex and the County Office Building. Second by C/Leininger. Vote unanimous. CARRIED
C/Schmitt had Derek Ringman, Finance Director, addressed the Board regarding the June 2021 expenditures and revenues.
C/Schmitt gave an update on items under her committee.
12:23 p.m. Mr. Ringman exited.
C/Leininger gave an update on items under his committee.
C/Wiley informed the Board that in the spring of 2022 we should be receiving our first payment from the Opioid Class Action Lawsuit.
12:35 p.m. adjournment by call of the Chair.

Mark E. Wiley, Chair
Board of Commissioners

Marney M. Kast,
County Clerk

