

February's Meeting Notes

Hi Hillsdale County Chamber of Commerce, I'm the owner of the Awesome Mitten, a site dedicated to helping Michiganders fall in love with our state. And we're excited to introduce you to #MIAwesomeList - the most comprehensive Michigan summer bucket list!

The campaign will be featuring the often overlooked hidden gems from every corner of Michigan. In fact, we'll be featuring at least one "bucket list" item (and associated activities) in every county in the state. **We're working to make this the most unique campaign in Michigan travel in 2021 and we'd like to invite Hillsdale County Chamber of Commerce to be part of it.** We're looking for partners to join us in bringing this project to the people of Michigan. Your CVB will be highlighted on

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Hi,

I'm reaching out to you today to ask you to join a coalition letter with many organizations, companies, and individuals who care about small business in America. This letter asks Congress to extend the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) until June 30th, 2021 so that eligible businesses have sufficient time to apply.

Recent rules changes have expanded eligibility for the smallest businesses that have had difficulty accessing the program to date. The rule changes will have a negligible impact unless the deadline is extended. The money is already appropriated; we are just asking for more time to ensure equitable program access. Womply alone has nearly 300,000 businesses who are mid-application. Many are unlikely to be approved (particularly

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All old documents for review can be found here: <https://www.hellohillsdale.com/documents>

I'll send a meeting reminder for Zoom as we get closer.

Guest Speaker: Edward and Jackie from Foster Care Navigators program / Presentation on Foster Care or Q&A session.

From Leigh: 1 - I have a deposit for American Legion Post #53 for \$113.54. Is this for a bulk mailing? I do not see an invoice set up for it.

2 - Is Berlin Holdings the same as AlumiSpan, I see that a Mr. Berlin owns AlumiSpan on the spreadsheet and just want to make sure they are the same entity.

3 - The check from Hillsdale Body Sales - Is

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From: Leslie Brown

<Leslie.Brown@alliedsolutions.net>

Sent: Thursday, February 25, 2021 11:14 AM

To:

director@hillsdalecountychamber.com

<director@hillsdalecountychamber.com>

Subject: Question for you regarding Meijer Property in Hillsdale

Do you know if the property that was purchased by Meijer will be developed any time in the near future? I live near North Adams and am inquiring if building of a new store is in the works, thanks so much.

Leslie Brown

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February's Meeting Accommodating Files

Dear [?],

We thank you for supporting America's small businesses throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. The CARES Act, Omnibus COVID Relief Deal, and trillion efforts of many Federal employees saved millions of small businesses and tens of millions of jobs.

As you know, the current program ends on March 31. We urge Congress to extend the Paycheck Protection Program until at least June 30th, 2021 for the following reasons.

On Monday, President Biden and the Small Business Administration (SBA) announced changes that are intended to make the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) more inclusive and accessible to under-served businesses. We applaud the direction of these changes and the renewed effort to build upon and improve the PPP.

However, these changes will make it even harder for the millions of businesses working on PPP applications to submit them to the SBA before the deadline. Some of the undersigned lenders already have hundreds of thousands of backlogged PPP applications. Many applications will require revisions after new rules are published next week. And another wave of applications is widely expected in the coming weeks.

There is simply not enough time in the next month for the SBA and ~5,000 lenders to convert rule changes into technical, content, support, and compliance updates and then get new applicants processed, approved, and funded. Therefore, many eligible businesses, independent contractors, sole proprietors, and self-employed people will not be approved before the March 31st, 2021 deadline.

A diverse set of organizations, companies, and individuals are working hard to achieve the goals set forth by Congress and supported by the President. Massive outreach efforts are underway to reach the smallest businesses, those in low-and-middle-income communities, and any who have been under-served to date. Data, technology, and human capital are being applied to help every eligible small business get funding. Many organizations are eager to partner with the SBA and to continue investing to help businesses get access.

We all want small businesses to survive so we can rebuild our communities. Therefore, we ask that you extend the Paycheck Protection Program until at least June 30, 2021.

Respectfully,



Extend the PPP letter (feb 26 - final draft).pdf

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February 1, 2021

To:
The Hillsdale County Chamber of Commerce (HCCC)
ATTN: Board of Directors

From:
Hillsdale Web Design (HWD)
26 State Street
Hillsdale, MI 49242

RE: Request of Increase in Payment for Services

Dear Board of Directors,

Hillsdale Web Design has recently taken over HCCC's domains, emails, and line of access for the Chamber's cellphone.

We are submitting a request to seek approval to add these items to your currently monthly charges.

To recap, currently HCCC is paying a total of \$720 per month for the following services:

- Web Host: \$114.62 per month
- Minor Web Maintenance: \$5.13 per month
Hillsdale Web Design
www.hillsdalewebdesign.com



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FAIR AND EQUAL MICHIGAN

January 13, 2021

Hillsdale County Chamber of Commerce
PO Box 324
Hillsdale, MI 49242

To Whom It May Concern:

We are writing to you because Michigan has a serious problem that is harming our state's ability to attract and retain the talent necessary to maintain our economic future. As the voice of Michigan local businesses, you have the power to address this issue and we hope you will join us by taking immediate action to rectify this issue on behalf of your members.

The Problem: It is legal to fire an employee or deny a person housing or services in Michigan if that person identifies or is suspected of being lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender. Last year, Equality Michigan's hotline reported over 1,000 calls for help. And despite the recent U.S. Supreme Court decision, which applied retroactively to federal employees, LGBTQ people in this state still face discrimination in local employment, housing, education, public accommodations, and services.

The complication: For 37 consecutive years, the Michigan Legislature has failed to pass a law protecting LGBTQ rights. The state's current civil rights law, the Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act, prohibits discrimination based upon religion, race, color, national origin, age, sex, height, weight, familial status, or marital status. The Act does not define "sex" and therefore LGBTQ individuals remain open to legal discrimination in this state.

The solution: Fair and Equal Michigan, supported by Business Leaders for Michigan, the Detroit Regional Chamber and 32 other organizations, was formed to pass Michigan's first-ever LGBTQ rights law through a citizens' bill. We have collected nearly 500,000 petition signatures to define "sex" under this Act to include sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression. We also took the extraordinary step to add the recognition of "religious beliefs" to the already protected class of religion. People of faith have asked religious beliefs to be respected and it will now be written in law that they, too, will not face discrimination on their personal religious beliefs.

The data: Non-partisan Michigan pollster Richard Crudo conducted a statewide survey of 600 registered voters that shows 77% of all Michiganders support legislation to amend the state's civil rights law to protect LGBTQ people and 16.5% do not support.

The why: Amending the Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act is an important step to eliminating barriers to retaining and attracting top talent to our state. It will better position our state to create jobs and accelerate economic growth, particularly as we deal with the impact of COVID-19 over the next decade. -and finally, K. Barank, president and CEO of the Detroit Regional Chamber.

An former State Rep, McLarwin, an original co-author of the civil rights act, said: "This coalition of Michigan citizens has support across LGBTQ groups, the business and philanthropic sectors, and both sides of the political aisle. There is more that brings us

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Hillsdale County Chamber of Commerce

Agenda

February 18, 2020
7:30 A.M.

- Type of Meeting: Monthly Board meeting for December
 - Meeting Facilitator: Scott Donohue, Vice Chair, Interim Board Chair
 - Invites: Ben Tappala, Sandi Miller, Scott Donohue, Deb Faisik, Amanda Honeywell, Mike Prince, Cyndi Young, Chris Rump, Kelly LoPreto (guest), Edward Post-Jackie (guest), Sam Waldbrogl (guest)
1. Call to order:
 2. Roll call:
 3. Guest Speakers:
 - 3.1. Edward and Jackie from Foster care Navigators Program / Presentation on Foster Care or Q&A session.
 - 3.2. Sam Waldbrogl from Edward Jones
 - 3.3. Approval of Minutes / Amanda Honeywell
 - 3.4. Discussion of Financials / Mike Prince
 5. New business:
 - 6.1. PayPal Account Changes
 - 6.2. Missing check: Discount Door Services
 - 6.3. COS Invoice Due
 - 6.4. Fair and Equal MI
 - 6.5. HCCC web services increase



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