

The regular weekly meeting of the Huntingdon County Commissioners was held on the above date and time in the Commissioners meeting room with the following being present: Commissioners O’Korn, Fluke and Thomas; Solicitor, Peter McManamon; Chief Clerk, Michelle Cerett; Elections Director, Lori Sheffield; Planning Director, Rich Stahl; Grant Administrator, Maureen Safko; Treasurer, Rich Irvin; Shawn Ritchey, Keller Engineers; Ilona Ballreich, Arts Council; CYS Supervisor, Nicole Leturgy; Dan Nead, Community State Bank; Daily News reporter, Jeff Gill; and visitor Jim Cassatt.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Commissioner O’Korn followed by Prayer led by Commissioner O’Korn and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Commissioner Fluke.

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes;) to approve the minutes of the October 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting.

It was moved by Commissioner Fluke, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes;) to approve the payment of bills for the last two weeks.

There were no additions to the agenda, announcements or public comments today.

The first item on the agenda today was the opening of bids for a \$650,000.00 line of credit. Bids received are as follows:

MCS Bank	Interest rate of 2.65%
Kish Bank	Interest rate of 2.50%
Community State Bank	Interest rate of 2.74%
Clearfield Bank & Trust	Interest rate of 2.35%
First National Bank	Interest rate of 2.58%

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes) to award the bid to Clearfield Bank & Trust at an interest rate of 2.35%. This process also requires adoption of a resolution, which Solicitor McManamon will have prepared for later in the meeting. Jeff Gill questioned the purpose of the loan. Commissioner O’Korn responded that the line of credit was established as a sense of security due to various cuts coming down from the State and the delay in receiving funds. Commissioner Fluke expressed concern over the 10 year term of the loan. Commissioner O’Korn stated that those terms are standard and the loan can be paid off at any time.

Lori Sheffield, Elections Director provided information on the voter ID law. The Courts decided recently that the Voter ID law would not be mandated for the 2012 General Elections. The process for this election will be the same as it was in the Spring, which means it will be a soft roll out. The Department of State feels the law will be enforced in the near future but not for this election. Lori reminded everyone that first time voters will still be required to show ID. Today is the last day to register to vote and the last day to apply for an absentee ballot is October 30<sup>th</sup>.

Shawn Ritchey provided updates on two projects. The beams for Runk bridge will be delivered this week and work is expected to resume on the project on Thursday of this week. Completion of the project will take approximately two weeks once work resumes. The St. Mary’s bridge project is moving along. However, Shawn has some concerns about the contractor meeting the deadlines for completion. He has spoken to Penn DOT, who in turn contacted the contractor.

Shawn also requested approval of a no-cost supplement for St. Mary’s bridge. This will move money around between construction inspection and construction consultation. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) to approve supplement C for St. Mary’s bridge.

Lastly, Shawn requested approval of reimbursement request 3 part 002 for St. Mary’s bridge. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes) to approve the reimbursement request in the amount of \$20,618.14 as requested.

Nicole Leturgy requested approval of a purchase of service agreement and a new hire.

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Thomas, yes; O’Korn,

yes; Fluke, yes) to approve the purchase of service agreement between the County and the Bair Foundation as requested.

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) to approve the hiring of Craig Gaunt, Caseworker at CYS effective October 15, 2012.

Rich Stahl provided an update on the elevator project. The concrete work was completed yesterday and the paving is expected to be completed next week. Rich will arrange for a walk thru with the Board and the architect. He expects the bureau of veritas inspection and the final inspection to be completed soon. Rich requested permission to have a small area next to the building filled in with asphalt when the paving is done. He believes they will do it for no additional cost. It was moved by Commissioner Fluke, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes) to approve the additional paving as long as there is no cost. If there is additional cost involved, Rich will bring it to a meeting for approval.

Rich provided results of the HVAC feasibility study for the first floor of the Courthouse. Two bids were received; HF Leinz in the amount of \$14,760.00 and Michael Norris in the amount of \$13,800.00. After review, it was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes) to award the feasibility study to Michael Norris in the amount of \$13,800.00

Rich also provided results of bids for an architect to study the work needing done to the courthouse clock tower. The study will be done in accordance with the PHMC grant along with a County match. The total budget for the project is \$13,000.00, which was made clear in the proposal. In the bids presented, the firms were asked to provide their relevant experience along with their qualifications. The bidding companies are as follows:

Ted L. Strausser Architecture & Conservation, Lewisburg PA  
HP Architects, State College PA  
Klein & Hoffman Inc., Philadelphia PA  
Haas Buidling Solutions, State College PA  
Atkinson-Noland & Associates Inc, Boulder CO

After discussion and review of the information provided, it was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) to award the bid to Ted L. Strauser of Lewisburg PA.

Ilona Ballreich presented her annual Arts Council report. She stated that the Council has done well this year and has received compliments on various art projects. She also asked the Commissioners to reinstate their support of the Arts Council for the 2013 budget.

Solicitor McManamon requested approval of resolution 19-2012, finalizing the line of credit process. It was moved by Commisisoner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes) to adopt resolution 19-2012 as requested.

There were no county veteran burial allowances for approval today.

There being no further business, it was moved by Commissioner Thomas to adjourn the meeting at 10:54 a.m. Minutes prepared by Michelle Cerett, Chief Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jeffrey Thomas, Secretary