

Huntingdon, PA

Tuesday, June 4, 2019

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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 present: Commissioners Walls and Thomas; Chief Clerk, Heather Fellman; Solicitor, Peter McManamon; CYS Director, Shannon Walborn; Barbara Covert and Michele Heane from CareerLink; Daily News Reporter, Kylie Hawn and visitors, Jim Cassatt and Brendan Wissinger.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Commissioner Walls, followed in prayer led by Commissioner Thomas and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag by Commissioner Walls.

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Walls and carried (Walls, yes; Thomas, yes) to approve the minutes of the May 28, 2019 Public Meeting.

It was moved by Commissioner Walls, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (Thomas, yes; Walls, yes) to approve the payment of bills.

There was one addition to the agenda. Shannon Walborn, CYS Director, will be added to Matters for Action.

Commissioner Thomas addressed public concern related to the move of District Justice Covert's office from Orbisonia to the Courthouse. He noted that the commissioners are working diligently to get the District Justice's Office moved back to Orbisonia. Commissioner Walls noted that they are also keeping taxpayers in mind and that the commissioners are dedicated to balancing the needs of the public both to keep the District Justice's office in Orbisonia and to keep from overspending.

Commissioner Thomas announced that the Spring Jam will be held at Shirley Home rain or shine on June 9th from 2:00 to 4:00 PM. The proceeds from this event will go to the beautification of Shirley Home.

Commissioner Walls announced that with schools closing for the summer, the public should take extra precautions when driving to keep the children in our community safe.

Under public comments, Jim Cassatt asked if there had been any communication about the \$1 million to offset the 911 expenses. Commissioner Walls responded that the commissioners are going through that process but that it takes a very long time to get that money. They are doing everything they can at this time to benefit from that money, but it is currently dependent on the state as to how quickly those funds are dispersed.

There were no matters to be addressed by the Solicitor.

Barbara Covert and Michele Heane from CareerLink requested consideration of approval for the Huntingdon County Medical Assistance Transportation Program Contract Agreement renewal for 2019-

2020. This agreement ensures that individuals are able to be transported to medical appointments in a cost-effective manner. The trip rate was reduced for this contract year to \$22.68. This is the 25th year of operation for this program. The total cost will be \$752,062.50. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Walls and carried (Walls, yes; Thomas, yes).

Under Matters for Action, Shannon Walborn, CYS Director, asked for consideration of approval for Resolution 7-2019 recognizing the staff of Huntingdon County Children's Services for Child Welfare Professionals Appreciation Week. Child Welfare Professionals Appreciation Week is June 3rd through June 7th, 2019. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Walls and carried (Thomas, yes; Walls, yes).

There was one Veteran's Burial Allowances.

There being no further business, it was moved by Commissioner Thomas to adjourn the meeting at 9:56 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Heather N. Fellman, Chief Clerk.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey Thomas, Secretary