

The regular meeting of the Huntingdon County Commissioners was held on the above date and time in the Commissioner's Meeting Room with the following present: Commissioners Walls, Thomas, and Reeder; Chief Clerk, Heather Fellman; Domestic Relations Director, Michael Kipphan; Assistant Community Development Administrator, Jayme Reck; Planning Director, Laurie Nearhood; Mike Hannon from Tri-County Drug and Alcohol; CYS Fiscal Supervisor, Cecelia St. Clair; Treasurer, Susan Harry; Debra Clark from HCBI and Daily News Reporter, Joe Thompson.

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

It was moved by Commissioner Reeder, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (Walls, yes; Thomas, yes; Reeder, yes) to table approval of the minutes of the previous meeting.

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

There were no additions to the agenda.

Under announcements, Commissioner Thomas reflected on the importance of Memorial Day and Commissioner Reeder highlighted the need for better supports for veterans' mental health.

There were no public comments.

There were no matters to be addressed by the Solicitor.

Under new business, Debra Clark from HCBI presented the 2024 EZ Loan Report. It was moved by Commissioner Reeder, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (Reeder, yes; Walls, yes; Thomas, yes) to approve the report as presented.

Debra Clark requested consideration of approval for an EZ Loan Package in the amount of \$120,000 for Raystown Country Lodge at a fixed interest rate of 6%. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Reeder and carried (Walls, yes; Thomas, yes; Reeder, yes).

Michael Kipphan, Domestic Relations Director, requested consideration of approval for the Title IV-D contract with John Hicks. This is a contract that is reimbursable through the federal government. The contract will extend from May 1, 2025 through September 30, 2025. The projected county cost is \$298 per month. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Reeder and carried (Thomas, yes; Reeder, yes; Walls, yes).

Susan Harry, Treasurer, presented a report on the repository tax sale. 24 properties are currently in repository. Notices have been sent. The list of properties has been published in the newspaper and on the website.

Laurie Nearhood, Planning Director, requested consideration of approval for the Act 13 Legacy Fund Grant Agreement. There are 5 approved recipients. 2 awardees are ready to move forward with their projects. Cromwell was awarded \$6,485. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Reeder and carried (Reeder, yes; Walls, yes; Thomas, yes) to approve the Cromwell grant agreement.

Laurie Nearhood requested consideration of approval for the grant agreement for Cassville Borough. They have been approved for \$10,000 in grant funds. It was moved by Commissioner Reeder, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (Walls, yes; Thomas, yes; Reeder, yes).

Jayne Reck, Assistant Community Development Administrator, requested consideration of approval for modification #1 for the CDBG Fiscal Year 2024 funds for Huntingdon Borough. \$101,678 is being redirected from housing rehab to parking on 7<sup>th</sup> street. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Reeder and carried (Thomas, yes; Reeder, yes; Walls, yes).

Cecelia St. Clair, CYS Fiscal Supervisor, requested consideration of approval for staff to attend the summer state-wide information summary conference. The total cost is \$699.93, which was budgeted for training purposes. It was moved by Commissioner Reeder, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (Walls, yes; Thomas, yes; Reeder, yes).

Cecelia St. Clair requested consideration of approval for a purchase of service agreement with Andrea Lehman for contract year 2025-2026 for Guardian Ad Litem services. This is a renewal at the state-approved rates. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Reeder and carried (Thomas, yes; Reeder, yes; Walls, yes).

Cecelia St. Clair requested consideration of approval for a purchase of service agreement with Evolution Counseling for contract year 2025-2026. They provide truancy and trauma-focused care services. This is a renewal from last year at the state-approved rates. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Reeder and carried (Reeder, yes; Walls, yes; Thomas, yes).

Cecelia St. Clair requested consideration of approval for a purchase of service agreement with Mainstream Counseling for contract year 2025-2026. They provide anger management training, trauma services, and after-school programs. This is a renewal from last year at the state-approved rates. It was moved by Commissioner Reeder, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (Walls, yes; Thomas, yes; Reeder, yes).

Cecelia St. Clair requested consideration of approval for a purchase of service agreement with Robert Covell for contract year 2025-2026 to provide Guardian Ad Litem services. This is a renewal from last year at the state-approved rates. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Reeder and carried (Thomas, yes; Reeder, yes; Walls, yes).

Cecelia St. Clair requested consideration of approval for a purchase of service agreement with Mount Union Area School District for contract year 2025-2026 to provide transportation services. This is a renewal from last year at the state-approved rates. It was moved by Commissioner Reeder, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (Reeder, yes; Walls, yes; Thomas, yes).

Consideration of approval was given for Penn State Construction Change Order #21 for boiler plate replacement to address the sewer gas smell in the basement of the Courthouse. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Reeder and carried (Walls, yes; Thomas, yes; Reeder, no).

Consideration of approval was given for the prison study contract short-form agreement with Transystems Corporation for a phase-1 feasibility study. The total cost of this contract is \$129,900. It was moved by Commissioner Reeder, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (Thomas, yes; Reeder, yes; Walls, yes).

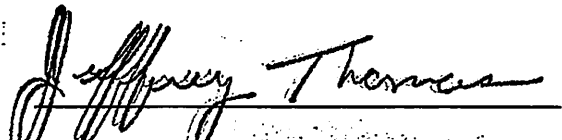
There were no Matters for Action.

There were no Veteran's Burial Allowances.

There being no further business, it was moved by Commissioner Thomas to adjourn the meeting at 10:26 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Heather N. Fellman, Chief Clerk.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Jeffrey Thomas, Secretary