

Huntingdon, Pa.
Tuesday, February 12, 2013
9:30 a.m.
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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 being present: Commissioners Fluke and Thomas; Chief Clerk, Michelle Cerett; Planning Director, Mark Colussy; Grant Administrator, Maureen Safko; Daily news reporter Garrison Crow; visitors Bruce Pergament, Barry Wright and Jim Cassatt.

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

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes;) to approve the minutes of the February 5th public meeting.

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

There were no additions to the agenda today.

Bruce Pergament asked if the Commissioners would consider supporting House Bill 357 if they were asked to do so by a large group of people. Commissioner Thomas stated that it would have to be evaluated at that time.

First on the agenda today were Mark Colussy and Maureen Safko with two requests to modify CDBG contracts. The first request would moved \$158,000.00 of unused money from the Porter Township sewer laterals and taps fees project to a housing rehabilitation program. This has been approved by the State and Maureen pointed out the housing rehab projects would all be in Porter Township. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Thomas, yes; Fluke, yes) to adopt resolution 3-2013 authorizing the change as presented.

Mark and Maureen also requested a change to the 2008 CDBG grant. This change would move \$1247.76 from the Mapleton Borough Project to the Mount Union Borough building project. Failure to make this switch would result in the money being returned to the state. It was moved by Commissioner Fluke, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) to adopt resolution 2-2013 authorizing the change as presented.

In addition to the Resolution, there is also a grant amendment that must be approved. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Thomas, yes; Fluke, yes) to approve the grant amendment as presented. Commissioner Thomas thanked Maureen for the work she does for Huntingdon County on behalf of the residents.

Commissioner Fluke informed the public that the bids received for the first floor courthouse renovation project will expire on Thursday. They are aware of it but are taking no action at this time due to the HVAC study not being completed. Commissioner Thomas added that the HCAV study was due December 4th and has yet to be received. Therefore, the renovations can not move forward at this time. There are plans to re-bid the project in the future.

Mark Colussy presented more information on the Sharepoint agreement that was tabled last week. The cost of the agreement is based on county class size and is the same cost as last year. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) to approve the Sharepoint agreement in the amount of \$2,969.55.

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Thomas, yes; Fluke, yes) to accept the resignation of Craig Gaunt from Children and Youth effective February 8th, 2013.

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) for Lori Sheffield to attend the Election conference on March 21st, 2013. The cost of the conference is \$15.00 and the cost of the hotel room for one night is \$59.00.

Barry Wright questioned the recent change at the Conservation District regarding Andy Patterson. Andy made the decision several years ago to reduce his status to part-time due to funding cuts. He decided recently to go back to full time and it was approved by the Conservation board. Barry asked if that would affect the health and welfare benefits of the current employees. Commissioner Thomas stated that the County does not pay the health benefits for Conservation employees so there would be no impact. Commissioner Thomas also stated that the status change was made possible by funding that came from Marcellus Shale funding. Commissioner Fluke stated that the change to part-time was approved by the Board of Commissioners but the change back to full time was not approved by the Board of Commissioners.

There was no veteran burial allowances for approval today.

There being no further business, it was moved by Commissioner Thomas to adjourn the meeting at 10:16 a.m. Minutes prepared by Michelle Cerett, Chief Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey Thomas, Secretary