

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 Sather, Walls and Thomas; Solicitor, Larry Newton; Chief Clerk, Heather Fellman; 911 Director, Chris Stevens; Natasha Brubaker from Center for Community Action; Daily News Reporter, Joe Thompson and guest, Curtis McConaughy.

EMA Director, Katie Unger and CYS Fiscal Techs, Chris Dixon and Joseph Heeter attended via GoToMeeting.

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

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

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

There were no additions to the agenda.

There were no announcements.

There were no public comments.

There were no matters to be addressed by the Solicitor.

Under new business, Natsha Brubaker from the Center for Community Action presented PHARE reports for 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021. She also presented a report on agency activity for 2022. The 2022 service numbers were down, mostly due to the closure of COVID-related programming. ERAP 1 is closed. For ERAP 2, all of the funding has been allocated so we are no longer taking new applications. Commissioner Sather commented that the Commissioners' Office has received phone calls from constituents related to the ERAP program that the Commissioners had cut funding for the ERAP programs. We want to clear the record that the Commissioners had no responsibility in cutting funding for those programs. That funding comes from the State.

Kathryn Unger, EMA Director, requested consideration of approval for Ordinance 1-2023. This ordinance will raise the rates for HazMat supply reimbursement. It was moved by Commissioner Walls, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (Thomas, yes; Sather, yes; Walls, yes) to table this item pending solicitor review and publishing of the required advertisements.

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Walls and carried (Sather, yes; Walls, yes; Thomas, yes) to table the agenda item from Planning at their request due to a contract delay.

Chris Dixon, CYS Fiscal Tech, requested consideration of approval for a purchase of service agreement with Nick Newfield, Esquire. This is a new contract for solicitor services for contract year July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 at the same rates for the existing solicitor contract. It was moved by Commissioner Walls, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (Walls, yes; Thomas, yes; Sather, yes).

Chris Dixon requested consideration of approval for a purchase of service agreement with Cornell Abraxas Group for contract year July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. This is a renewal from last year at the state-approved rates. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Walls and carried (Thomas, yes; Sather, yes; Walls, yes).

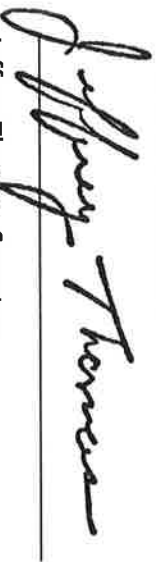
There were no Matters for Action.

There were no Veteran's Burial Allowances.

There being no further business, it was moved by Commissioner Walls to adjourn the meeting at 9:47 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Heather N. Fellman, Chief Clerk.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeffrey Thomas". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Jeffrey Thomas, Secretary