

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; Sheriff, Bill Walters; Chief Tax Assessor, Ken Tucker; Daily News reporter, Jeff Gill; and visitors Jim Cassatt and Bruce Pergament.

The meeting was called to order at 9:31 a.m. by Commissioner O’Korn followed by Prayer led by Commissioner Fluke and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Commissioner Thomas.

It was moved by Commissioner Fluke, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) to approve the minutes of the June 12th meeting.

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner O’Korn and carried (Fluke, no; Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes;) to approve the payment of bills for last week.

There were no additions to the agenda today.

Commissioner O’Korn commented on the opening of the park in Broad Top. The park was built with Growing Greener II funds and community fund raising efforts. He offered his congratulations to the Borough Council and the residents of Broad Top on their accomplishments.

Jeff Gill asked Commissioner Fluke his reason for voting no on the payment of the bills. Commissioner Fluke stated that he had a question on whether one of the bills was approved. It was for a plane ticket for an employee to attend a training. Jim Cassatt asked for the status of the water issue on the Bailey building elevator. Commissioner Thomas stated that they are still working on it and trying to resolve the issue. Jim also asked what the cost would be to fix it and who would be responsible for paying it. Commissioner Thomas stated that they needed more facts before a decision could be made. Bruce Pergament asked who is responsible for ensuring code requirements are met when a building project is done. Solicitor McManamon stated that contracts vary and it depends on the language.

There were no issues addressed by the Solicitor today.

Sheriff Walters requested permission to move Rocco Panosetti from part-time to full-time deputy on or about July 9, 2012. This will replace two recent part-time resignations. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes) to approve the request as presented.

Ken Tucker requested permission to hire two full time, temporary employees to assist with the additional work needing done related to the ratio change. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) to approve Kens request as presented.

Ken has one application for these two positions and requested permission to hire Nicole Kerr. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes) to approve the hiring of Nicole Kerr as full time, temporary employee in the Tax Assessment office.

The contract for the St. Marys bridge contract is ready for approval. This needs done by Michelle and Pete through Penn DOT’s ECMS system. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes) to approve the execution of the St. Marys bridge contract.

Alan Smith, Area Agency on Aging director requested adoption of resolution 5-2012 granting him permission to apply for additional grant money to benefit the CART program. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) to adopt resolution 5-2012.

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes) to accept the retirement of George Mills as Bridge foreman effective August 3rd, 2012.

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes) to accept the retirement of James Green from the Maintenance department effective July 13, 2012.

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) to amend the resignation date of Carrie Irving to July 6, 2012.

It was moved by Commissioner Fluke, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes) to accept the resignation of Kayla Clapper from CYS effective June 15, 2012.

There were no veteran burial allowances for approval today.

There being no further business, it was moved by Commissioner Fluke to adjourn the meeting at 10:09 a.m. Minutes prepared by Chief Clerk, Michelle Cerett.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey Thomas, Secretary