

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 Sather and Walls; Chief Clerk, Michelle Barnett; Solicitor, Peter McManamon; Grant Administrator, Melody mason; Planning Office Manager, Laurie Nearhood; Daily News Reporter, Kylie Hawn and visitors Jim Cassatt and Mike Hanna.

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

It was moved by Commissioner Walls, seconded by Commissioner Sather and carried (Sather, yes; Walls, yes;) to approve the minutes of the October 17th public meeting.

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

There was one personnel matter added to the Agenda.

Commissioner Walls announced that the Clock Tower project is still under Construction.

Jim Cassatt requested the Commissioners research on the new Fire Tax passed by Huntingdon Borough. Mr. Cassatt would like to know if the larger businesses that are Tax Exempt would be required to pay the Fire Tax.

Mike Hanna from Tri County Drug and Alcohol was present to request the Commissioners consider providing a letter of support for Tri County Drug and Alcohol to serve as a Narcan distributor for Huntingdon, Juniata and Mifflin Counties. The funding for the Narcan will be provided by PCCD.

Commissioner Sather provided information to Mr. Cassatt regarding his previous inquiry regarding a 4-million-dollar amount showing on the audit as a balance remaining. Commissioner Sather explained that the amount is for total assets to include restricted funds as well. The County Audit does not categorize the various assets, however, the State audit does show the categories of the assets.

Grant Administrator, Melody Mason was present to request approval of an addendum to Administer the CDBG Funds for Huntingdon Borough Blair Field Parking Lot Project. Huntingdon Borough agreed to pay \$11,362.50 for completed administrative services provided by Huntingdon County Planning. Additionally, the Borough agreed to pay the following hourly rates \$42.25 for Grant Administrator I, \$33.63 for Grant Administrator II and \$19.92 for Bookkeeping. It was moved by Commissioner Walls, seconded by Commissioner Sather and carried (Sather, yes; Walls, yes) to approve the addendum as presented.

Planning Office Manager, Laurie Nearhood requested approval of the Planning Commission Long Range Transportation Plan Recommendation. The plan provided Local Bridge Priorities, Safety and Mobility Priorities and Major Project Priorities. It was moved by Commissioner Walls, seconded by Commissioner Sather and Carried (Walls, yes; Sather, yes) to approve the plan as presented.

There was a request to accept the employment termination of Iona Conner as Planner I. It was moved by Commissioner Walls, seconded by Commissioner Sather and carried (Sather, yes; Walls, yes) to accept the termination effective 10-20-2017.

There was a request to accept the employment termination of Austin Mills, Deputy Sheriff. It was moved by Commissioner Walls, seconded by Commissioner Sather and carried (Walls, yes; Sather, yes) to accept the termination effective 10-13-2017.

There was a request to approve the renewal of services with Maher Dussel for 2017 Auditing Services. It was moved by Commissioner Walls, seconded by Commissioner Sather and carried (Sather, yes; Walls, yes) to approve the renewal for year ending December 2017 auditing services.

There being no further business, it was moved by Commissioner Walls to adjourn the meeting at 10:24 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Michelle Barnett, Chief Clerk.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey Thomas, Secretary