

Huntingdon, Pa.
Tuesday, January 15 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 O’Korn, Fluke and Thomas; Solicitor, Peter McManamon; Chief Clerk, Michelle Cerett; Planning Director, Mark Colussy; Brian Wisner, Keller Engineers; CCA Director, Wendy Melius; EMA Director, Adam Miller; Daily news reporter Garrison Crow, visitors Bruce Pergament and Jim Cassatt.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Commissioner O’Korn followed prayer led by Commissioner Fluke and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was 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 January 8th public meeting.

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

There was one addition to the agenda today that Brian Wisner will address.

Commissioner Thomas informed everyone that the cannon is complete and back in front of the courthouse. He commended all those who worked on it for a job well done.

There were no public comments today.

Solicitor McManamon had no items to address today.

Mark Colussy, Planning Director requested Certification of Ag preservation funds in the amount of \$5,875.19. The funds were the result of property owners leaving the Clean and Green program. There was no additional money budgeted for the Ag preservation program. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner O’Korn and carried (Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes; Fluke, no) to approve the Certification of funds as requested.

Brian Wisner, Keller Engineers was present to request acceptance of the Water obstruction and Encroachment permit for the St. Marys FGM Project. Michelle received the documents for signature yesterday. Brian noted several special conditions of the permit. The first one being the stream back disturbance must be stabilized within 20 days. He also stated the project has to occur during low flow and may not occur during trout stocking season. The permit also requires the County to obtain approval for the inspection and construction services. Brian will work with Michelle on getting the paperwork completed. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) to accept the permit as presented.

Wendy Melius was present to request approval of the Emergency Solutions grant in the amount of \$100,000.00 and well as approval of a sub-contract allowing Center for Community action to administer the program. The ESG is for a two year period of time and is matched 100% by CCA. Commissioner Fluke asked for information regarding the administration costs of the grant. Wendy will email this information to Michelle after the meeting. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes) to accept the Emergency Solutions grant in the amount of \$100,000.00

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner O’Korn and carried (Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes; Fluke, no) to approve the sub contract granting CCA permission to administer the ESG.

Adam Miller requested to hire a part-time Operations and training officer. The funds for the position will be covered through numerous sources. A condition of the hiring is also the title change for Jennifer Kann from Operations and training officer to Administrative Assistant. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner O’Korn to approve the hiring of a part-time Operations and training officer. The motion died for lack of a second.

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) to re-appoint Julie Peoples and Peter McManamon to the Huntingdon County Library Board for an additional three year term effective January 1st, 2013.

Commissioner Fluke commented on the lack of Library Board members from various parts of the County. Solicitor McManamon stated that all County residents are able to use the Huntingdon Library.

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner O’Korn and carried (Fluke, no; Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes) to appoint Gabriel Gould to the Library Board for a three year term beginning January 1st, 2013.

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner O’Korn and carried (Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes) to appoint Joseph Sloan to the Library board for term of one year beginning January 1st, 2013 to fill an opening created by the resignation of Lisa Hosler.

Bruce Pergament asked questions about how the Library funding works. He also commented that the Library should be able to do fund raisers like the Humane Society does. Solicitor McManamon stated that the Library Board does do some fund raising.

There was one county veteran burial allowance and an installation of one government headstone for approval today.

There being no further business, it was moved by Commissioner Fluke to adjourn the meeting at 10:38 a.m. Minutes prepared by Michelle Cerett, Chief Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey Thomas, Secretary