

Huntingdon, Pa.
Tuesday, January 24, 2012
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The regular weekly meeting of the Huntingdon County Commissioners was held on the above date in the Commissioners Meeting Room with the following being present: Commissioners O’Korn, Fluke, and Thomas; Chief Clerk, Michelle Cerett; Solicitor, Peter McManamon; Daily News reporter, George Germann; Planning Director, Rich Stahl; Elections Coordinators Lori Sheffield and Sandy McNeal; and visitors Bruce Pergament, Jim and Joan Cassatt, Pat Kepple, and Valerie Burnett.

The Meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Commissioner O’Korn followed by Prayer led by Commissioner Thomas and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Michelle Cerett.

There were no additions or corrections to the January 17th minutes.

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes; Thomas yes;) to approve the minutes of the January 17th meeting.

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

There were two additions to the agenda today. First is acknowledgement that the RSVP board has dissolved. Second is consideration of appointment for the Route 22 Community Advisory Committee. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes) to appoint Commissioner O’Korn to the Route 22 Advisory Committee.

Commissioner O’Korn announced that Planning Commission is accepting nominations for the Community Improvement Award. The deadline is January 27th, 2012 and the awards will be presented at the March 14th annual banquet.

George Germann asked if there was any progress to report on the budget process. Commissioner O’Korn stated there was nothing to report at this time. The Commissioners are in the process of meeting with the Department Heads.

Solicitor McManamon presented an agreement for signature from the Hay Group for 2012 actuarial services. The terms and cost are the same as in the past. It was moved by Commissioner Fluke, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) to approve the agreement with the Hay Group.

Lori Sheffield, Elections Coordinator provided deadlines for the upcoming election. The deadline to register to vote is March 26th and the deadline to apply for an absentee ballot is April 17th. Individuals interested in running for the local committee may start circulating petitions today. Lori also addressed the recent re-districting concerns. The changes effect Hopewell Township, which is being moved back to the 78th district. The congressional split effects Penn Township. Five addresses were moved to the 5th district. Despite the split, everyone will vote at the same precinct but use different ballots.

Rich Stahl, Planning Director presented change orders for the Bailey building elevator. There were three changes; two credits and one to be done on a time and materials basis. The credits total \$2010.27, taking the total credits to \$2039.42. It was moved by Commissioner Fluke, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes) to approve change orders #9, #10 and #11 for the Bailey building elevator.

Morefield Comminucations provided quotes and a purchase agreement for telephone work in three locations. The first quote was to expand the current system, allowing for the addition of other offices to be added via the fiber. The other two quotes were to add Children Youth Services and the County Jail to our phone system via the fiber. The total for all three quotes is \$25,447.00. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes) to approve the purchase agreement as presented.

Commissioner Thomas commented that this money was put into the 2012 budget and will save the county money in the long run. He also added that more offices will be added via the fiber in the near future.

There were no county veteran burial allowances for approval today.

There being no further business, it was moved by Commissioner Fluke to adjourn the meeting at 10:13 a.m. Minutes prepared by Chief Clerk, Michelle Cerett.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey Thomas, Secretary