

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; Police Chief, Rufus Brenneman; Judge, George Zanic; Court Administrator, Alexa McGraw; Daily News Reporter, Candy Price and visitors Bruce Pergament and Jim Cassatt.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 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 January 14th 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 bills.

There were no additions to the agenda, public comments, announcements or items addressed by the Solicitor today.

Police Chief, Rufus Brenneman provided information on a contract between the County and Mission Critical Partners, Inc. The contract is part of a regional assessment for 911, which is being done with several other counties to determine the feasibility of sharing 911 towers and equipment. PEMA is providing funding for the assessment for Huntingdon County as well as Snyder, Juniata, Blair, Bedford, Fulton, Clearfield and Centre Counties. The contract with Mission Critical is for Huntingdon Counties portion of the assessment for an amount not to exceed \$21,000.00. Commissioner Fluke stated that he would agree to the assessment but will consider any future changes individually. Commissioner O’Korn stated this is for an assessment only and future decisions will be considered by each county individually. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes) to approve the contract with Mission Critical Partners, Inc. as presented.

Michelle received the Public Defender contract for 2014 and presented it for approval. Solicitor McManamon has reviewed the contract and stated the amounts requested were approved in the 2014 budget. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) to approve the 2014 Public Defender contract as presented.

Michelle also received a retirement request from a Corrections officer at the Jail. It was moved by Commissioner Fluke, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes) to accept the retirement of David Hileman, Corrections officer effective February 4th, 2014.

Judge Zanic and Alexa McGraw requested approval of the hiring of two TIP staff. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes) to approve the hiring of Linda McMath, TIP staff on an as needed basis effective January 13th, 2014.

It was moved by Commissioner Fluke, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) to approve the hiring of Joanne Whitsel, TIP staff on an as needed basis effective January 21st, 2014.

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 9:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey Thomas, Secretary