

Huntingdon, PA

Tuesday, October 29, 2019

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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 present: Commissioners Sather, Walls and Thomas; Chief Clerk, Heather Fellman; Solicitor, Peter McManamon; CYS Director, Shannon Walborn; VA Director, Brian Bassett; Planning Director, Mark Colussy; News Reporter, Kylie Hawn and visitors, Jim Cassatt and Mike Hannon.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Commissioner Sather, followed in 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 Thomas and carried (Sather, yes; Walls, yes; Thomas, yes) to approve the minutes of the October 22, 2019 Public Meeting.

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

There were no additions to the agenda.

Commissioner Thomas announced that Election Day falls on November 5 and voters should make sure to exercise their right to vote.

Commissioner Sather announced that today is National First Responder Day.

Commissioner Walls announced that there will be no public meeting next week due to the election.

Jim Cassatt asked if the county audit was available yet. Commissioner Sather commented that it is finished, however he is not sure if it has been released to the Daily News yet. Commissioner Thomas noted that this is not a problem just for Huntingdon County. All counties are experiencing problems meeting the deadlines set by the State because of problems with overlapping timelines.

There were no matters to be addressed by the solicitor.

Shannon Walborn, CYS Director, requested consideration of approval for the promotion of Laura Hardy to Caseworker Supervisor effective December 2, 2019. It was moved by Commissioner Walls, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (Thomas, yes; Sather, yes; Walls, yes).

Brian Bassett, Veteran's Affairs Director, provided an update on funding received from the PA Hero Walk. This is a fundraising program to donate to veterans for a number of items and services. \$10,651.14 in grant funding was received to benefit five veterans in Huntingdon County. There are three more grants currently under consideration.

Mark Colussy, Planning Director, requested consideration of approval for a sub-recipient agreement with Shirley Home for a walk-in 8x12 foot cooler project. The total amount of CDBG funding for this project is \$30,000. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Walls and carried (Sather, yes; Walls, yes; Thomas, yes).

Mark Colussy requested consideration of approval for the temporary promotion of Laurie Nearhood to interim Community Development Administrator. He noted that the grant programs do not pause and there needs to be a designated signatory for invoices and grant paperwork. The effective date for this promotion would be November 8, 2019. It was moved by Commissioner Walls, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (Walls, yes; Thomas, yes; Sather, yes).

There were no Matters for Action.

There were no Veteran's Burial Allowances.

There being no further business, it was moved by Commissioner Thomas to adjourn the meeting at 9:52 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Heather N. Fellman, Chief Clerk.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey Thomas, Secretary