

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 Ceretti; Deputy Chief Clerk/Elections Coordinator, Kelly Hughes; Mission Critical Rep, Sid McConahy; Chief Tax Assessor, Ken Tucker; 911 Director, Rufus Brenneman; Joyce Zolten, CYS Administrator, Daily news reporter Claire Williams; visitor Bruce Pergament.

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 Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) to approve the minutes of the February 10<sup>th</sup> public meeting.

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

There was one personnel item added to the agenda today.

Commissioner Thomas announced that CCAP released their top ten priorities last week. The number one priority is 911 System re-form. A full list of the priorities can be found at [pacounties.org](http://pacounties.org). Commissioner O’Korn congratulated several local wrestlers for winning the District Championships. Those mentioned were Colin Glorioso, Jake Boozel, and Jacob Oliver. He also mentioned that Huntingdon won the team title and Jon Mykut was named Coach of the Year District 6.

There were no public comments or matters addressed by the Solicitor today.

First on the agenda today was the consideration of Ordinance 1-2015, which would allow the County to enter into an inter-governmental agreement with Bedford, Blair and Fulton counties for the sharing of 911 equipment. Solicitor McManamon noted that this has been in the works for several months and the other counties have all entered into the agreement. He also stated it has been properly advertised for today’s date. It was moved by Commissioner Fluke to table this item until he has had a chance to review the terms. Motion failed for lack of a second. Commissioner Fluke expressed concern about the cost of purchasing the equipment. Sid McConahy stated that the Ordinance allows the County to enter into an Inter-Governmental agreement. The agreement states that the counties will share equipment that it makes sense to share. If any equipment is purchased for only one county, that county will be solely responsible for the cost. He also stated that the Inter-Governmental agreement will make the counties eligible for funding and he plans to submit a grant application by March 3<sup>rd</sup> to establish connectivity between the counties and to move forward with the relocation of some equipment. Sid finished by stating that sharing the equipment will save all the counties a substantial amount of money. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner O’Korn and carried (Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes; Fluke, no) to adopt Ordinance 1-2015 as presented and advertised.

Next was the consideration of the Inter-Governmental agreement. The agreement includes Huntingdon, Blair, Fulton, and Bedford and is for the purpose of establishing and maintaining 911 systems. Commissioner Thomas clarified that all of the equipment being considered is necessary in each county. By sharing in the equipment, each county will save a significant amount of money. Commissioner O’Korn stated this will also increase the services to the residents of the County and avoid lapses in service due to outages. Rufus Brenneman stated that as the 911 Director, he feels this agreement is a huge benefit to Huntingdon County. Commissioner O’Korn finished by reiterating that this is only a consolidation of equipment, not services. After further discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner O’Korn and carried (O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) to approve the Inter-Governmental Agreement as presented.

District Attorney, Dave Smith was present with a recommendation from the CJAB committee. Dave stated that it is the recommendation of the CJAB committee to hire James Robertson as a consultant to review the judicial system in the County. Mark Colussy stated that the estimate he received from Mr. Robertson is \$58,760.00 but he has no contract available at this time. After discussion it was moved by Commissioner O’Korn, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes) to table the item until a contract is received. The Board authorized Mark Colussy to contact Mr. Robertson and request a contract for review.

Kelly Hughes, Elections Coordinator provided the deadlines for the upcoming primary election. She also stated she was informed by the Department of State that committees using a checking account will now be required to have an EIN number. The Commissioners asked Kelly to get clarification on the new requirements for next week’s meeting. Michelle asked that if residents are unsure of their polling district, they should call the office as soon as possible to find out. The deadline to make any changes to voter records is April 20<sup>th</sup>.

Ken Tucker was present with a request to attend the USPAP and Act 28 training. The training is being held at the CCAP office in Harrisburg on May 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015. The cost of the class is \$275.00 and is required for him to maintain his State Certification. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes) to attend the training as requested.

Chris Wysocki, JVBDS Administrator provided a quarterly update on services provided by his agency. There are 204 Individuals receiving Intellectual Disabilities services, 249 Individuals receiving Mental Health services and 53 in the Early Intervention programs. Chris stated he does not expect to see a take back of funding as he originally thought.

Joyce Zolten, CYS Administrator was present with two purchase of services agreements for consideration today. First was a Purchase of Service agreement with The Bair Foundation. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (O'Korn, yes; Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) to approve the purchase of service contract with The Bair Foundation of Pennsylvania for a period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015. It was moved by Commissioner Fluke, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes O'Korn, yes) to approve the purchase of service agreement with The Christian Home of Johnstown for a period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015.

Joyce also requested approval for herself, Claudia Conrad and Solicitor McManamon to attend the upcoming PCYA Quarterly meeting. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Thomas, yes; O'Korn, yes; Fluke, yes) to approve the request as presented.

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (O'Korn, yes; Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) to approve the 2015 contract with Central Counties Youth facility with one date correction on page 7.

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner O'Korn and carried (Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes; O'Korn, yes) to appoint Janet Lake to the Ag Land Preservation board for a 4 year term effective January 1, 2015.

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Thomas, yes; O'Korn, yes; Fluke, yes) to approve a 30 day leave of absence for Todd Walker effective February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

There were no veteran burial allowances for approval today.

There being no further business, it was moved by Commissioner O'Korn to adjourn the meeting at 11:08 a.m. Minutes prepared by Michelle Cerett, Chief Clerk.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Jeffrey Thomas, Secretary