

Huntingdon, Pa.
Tuesday July 26, 2011
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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 Hoover, Fluke and Kough Pittenger; Chief Clerk, Michelle Cerett; Solicitor, Peter McManamon; Joyce Zolten, CYS Director; Chris Wysocki, MHMR Administrator; George Germann, Daily News; and visitors Bruce Pergament, Charlie Coleman, Gary O'Korn, Bob Pittenger, Jim and Joan Cassatt.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chairman Hoover followed by Prayer led by Michelle Cerett and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Commissioner Kough Pittenger.

There were no additions or corrections to the July 19th minutes.

It was moved by Commissioner Kough Pittenger seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Hoover, yes; Fluke, yes; Kough Pittenger, yes) to approve the minutes of the July 19th meeting.

It was moved by Commissioner Fluke seconded by Commissioner Kough Pittenger and carried (Fluke, yes; Kough Pittenger, yes; Hoover, yes) to approve payment of invoices for the week.

There were two additions to the agenda today, a resignation from CYS and an additional change order for the Bailey building.

Commissioner Hoover offered comment on a correspondence recently received from the Department of Public welfare. The most recent cuts to the State budget will increase the County cost for the Children and Youth programs in the amount of \$37,507. He will confirm this information with CYS Director, Joyce Zolten.

There were no public comments today.

Solicitor McManamon reminded the Board that they meet with Penn State on August 1st at 10:00 to discuss payment in lieu of taxes for University property.

Chris Wysocki, MHMR Administrator provided the board with a quarterly update. Chris has worked closely with community care behavioral health this year on a program to improve the connection between physical health and behavioral health. Chris has not received an allocation letter yet outlining the budget cuts to MHMR funding. The anticipated cut to MHMR funding is anticipated to range between 1% and 12%. Chris will keep the board updated as information is received from the State.

Joyce Zolten, CYS director was present to request the hiring of three Caseworkers. This will bring her staff to full compliment with the exception of replacing one caseworker who is resigning in August. It was moved by Commissioner Kough Pittenger, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Kough Pittenger, yes; Hoover, yes; Fluke, yes) to approve the following new hires for CYS with respective hire dates:

Leondrei Fenderson, Caseworker I effective August 1, 2011
Katherine Armstrong, Caseworker I effective August 1, 2011
Kelli Bacco, Caseworker I effective August 15, 2011.

It was moved by Commissioner Fluke, seconded by Commissioner Kough Pittenger and carried (Hoover, yes; Fluke, yes; Kough Pittenger, yes) to accept the resignation of Lindsay Magill from CYS effective August 4, 2011.

The Board received a letter from the Department of Public welfare recognizing the fiscal staff at CYS for a positive outcome on a recent federal funding audit. Joyce stated that they received no deficiencies for the first time, which is commendable. The Board offered their gratitude and congratulations to the CYS staff.

The Commissioners received three reimbursement requests for the Walnut Grove bridge project. It was moved by Commissioner Kough Pittenger, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Fluke, yes; Kough Pittenger, yes; Hoover, yes) to approve the following reimbursement agreements for the Walnut Grove bridge project:

Reimbursement #7 in the amount of \$261,668.19
Reimbursement #3-003 in the amount of \$283.45
Reimbursement #4-004 in the amount of \$9,457.55

It was moved by Commissioner Fluke, seconded by Commissioner Kough Pittenger and carried (Kough Pittenger, yes; Hoover, no; Fluke, yes) to approve CG-71 for the Bailey building in the amount of \$1,612.82

It was moved by Commissioner Kough Pittenger, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Hoover, no; Fluke, yes; Kough Pittenger, yes) to approve change order CG-72 for the Bailey building in the amount of \$1,277.45.

The Commissioners were asked to adopt resolution #8-2011 related to the Enterprise Zone grant program. At last weeks meeting, they gave approval for Richard Stahl to apply for the EZ grant. After the meeting, Richard realized that it needed done in the form of a resolution. It was moved by Commissioner Kough Pittenger, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Fluke, yes; Kough Pittenger, yes; Hoover, yes) to adopt resolution #8-2011 granting Richard Stahl permission to apply for the EZ grant in the amount of \$50,000.

There were two County veteran burial allowances to be approved today.

There being no further business, it was moved by Commissioner Fluke second by Commissioner Kough Pittenger and carried to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 a.m. Minutes prepared by Chief Clerk, Michelle Cerett.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Kough Pittenger, Secretary