

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; Joyce Zolten, CYS Administrator; Planning Director, Mark Colussy; Grant Administrator, Maureen Safko; Daily news reporter Claire Williams; and visitors Stan Westbrook, Shelly Long, Angie Lindberg, Mike Hannon, and Bruce Pergament.

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 Commissioner O’Korn.

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 February 17th 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, announcements, public comments or matters addressed by the Solicitor.

First on the agenda today was Mark Colussy and Maureen Safko with a request to submit a grant application for the clock tower rehabilitation. The grant is being offered through the Pennsylvania Historic Museum Commission in the amount of \$50,000.00. The grant requires a 100% match by the County and it was noted that money has been budgeted. Maureen stated that if approved, the work would be completed between September, 2015 and March, 2017. She also stated that the original estimate for the complete renovation of the clock tower was \$260,000.00 so the work being completed will need to be prioritized. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Fluke, seconded by Commissioner Thomas and carried (Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes) to approve resolution 2-2015, granting the Planning Department permission to apply for the Keystone Historic Preservation Construction Grant in the amount of \$50,000.00 as presented.

Mark also requested approval of the addition of two stretches of roadway in the County to be added to the National Highway system. The change would allow for additional funding to maintain the roads. The two changes include a 19.5 mile stretch of Route 26 South and a six mile stretch of Route 453. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) to approve the addition of the roadways to the National Highway System as recommended.

Joyce Zolten was present today with two requests. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes) to approve the purchase of service agreement with Keystone Adolescent Center for a period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015.

It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner O’Korn and carried (Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes) to approve the hiring of Karen Wise, Clerk Typist effective March 9, 2015.

Michelle provided information on a new hire for the Maintenance department. There has been a second shift vacancy since December which was not filled pending the hiring of a new Maintenance Director. The Director has been hired and completed interviews last week to fill the vacancy. His recommendation is to hire Nathan Hack to fill the position effective March 2nd, 2015. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) to approve the hiring of Nathan Hack, Maintenance Crew effective March 2nd, 2015.

There was one veteran burial allowance approved today.

There being no further business, it was moved by Commissioner Fluke to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 a.m. Minutes prepared by Michelle Cerett, Chief Clerk.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey Thomas, Secretary