

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; Chief Clerk, Michelle Cerett; Planning Director, Mark Colussy; Grant Administrator, Maureen Safko; Register and Recorder, Jinny Cooper; Daily news reporter, Kylie Hawn; visitors Mark Sather and Mike Hannon.

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 August 18th 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 was one conference attendance and one resignation added to the agenda today.

Commissioner Thomas congratulated the Bricktown event center on the opening of their facility in Mount Union. He also stated that the Three Car, Three Generation dedication that was held at the Rockhill Museum last week was very nice.

Mike Hannon, Tri County Drug and Alcohol Executive Director offered public comment today on the budget impasse. He stated that they are doing everything possible to keep the doors open and he feels the agency can continue to provide services through November. Commissioner Fluke asked if there was a line of credit in place. He stated that there was and it is being used. He also stated that the agency has stopped payment to providers and may be reducing his staff work days to four days a week until the budget impasse is over. Commissioner O’Korn asked Mike to thank the providers for continuing to offer services even through payment has been temporarily stopped.

Solicitor McManamon provided information on a Resolution revision that was tabled last week. There were two typographical errors discovered in Resolution 15-2015 after it was adopted. Michelle checked with CCAP to confirm the process for correcting it. After reviewing feedback from Doug Hill, Solicitor McManamon advised that making the corrections and attaching them to the original was sufficient since the changes will not affect the body of the Resolution.

Mark Colussy and Maureen Safko presented two resolutions for consideration today. First was resolution 16-2015, which provides certification that the County will uphold the illegal immigrant policy change in accordance with PA Act 43 of 2006. Mark explained that while this has always been upheld, DCED is requesting it be formalized by Resolution by all recipients of CDBG funds. Maureen stated that failure to comply with PA Act 43 of 2006 would result in the County being ineligible to receive grants for up to two years. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes) to adopt Resolution 16-2015 as presented.

The second resolution was related to competitive CDBG funds for Mapleton Borough. This project was preliminarily approved by the Board earlier this year but DCED is asking for a Resolution to formalize the process. Maureen stated that the original request was for an amount not to exceed \$750,000.00 but after receiving figures from the Engineer, she will only be requesting \$556,000.00. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes) to adopt Resolution 17-2015 as requested.

Michelle provided information on a Probation training request made by Len Hahn. The request is for Len and Carol Braceland to attend the annual Chief Probation Officer training in State College on September 21st, 22nd, and 23rd, 2015. The cost of the conference is \$150.00 per person and the money is budgeted. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Fluke, yes; Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes) to approve the conference attendance as requested.

Michelle also stated she received notice of a resignation from Cassie Thomas yesterday and suggested adding it to today's agenda so the replacement process could be started. It was moved by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Fluke and carried (Thomas, yes; O’Korn, yes; Fluke, yes) to accept the resignation of Cassandra Thomas, Deputy Recorder of Deeds effective September 4th, 2015.

There was one Veteran burial allowance for approval today.

There being no further business, it was moved by Commissioner Thomas to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 a.m. Minutes prepared by Michelle L. Cerett, Chief Clerk.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey Thomas, Secretary