

The regular meeting of the Clearfield County Commissioners was held on Tuesday, March 22, 2022 with Chair Sobel conducting the meeting. The following were in attendance: Commissioners Scotto and Glass; Heather Bozovich, Solicitor; Rob Edwards, Controller; Kara McGary, Family Support Services Manager – Children’s Aid Society; Kelsey Vitullo, CYS – Supervisor; Dawn Graham, Director of Elections; Jim Chorney and Sherry Dumire; North Central Pennsylvania Regional Planning and Development Commission; Diane Byers, Courier/Progress; Yvonne Lehmann, Radio WOKW; Adam Curry and Cam Strom, County IT Department; Yanni Tragellis, WTAJ Television; Lisa McFadden, Chief Clerk.

Minutes of the previous meeting of March 8, 2022 were approved by motion of Commissioner Scotto, seconded by Commissioner Glass; motion carried unanimously.

Controller Edwards presented the following bills for approval: General Fund, \$6,782,072.79; Liquid Fuels Fund, \$3,000; Hazardous Materials Fund, \$1,371.86; 911 Fund, \$7,463.26; Domestic Relations Fund, \$9,302.69; Children and Youth Fund, \$438,596.34. Approval of the bills by Commissioner Glass, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

#### Personnel Changes

New Hires – Theresa Hynds, District Judge Secretary/DuBois, effective 3/10/22.

Thomas Ray, Deputy Warden of Operations/Jail, effective 3/14/22.

Morgan Young, Department Clerk II/Clerk of Courts, effective 3/28/22.

Mackenzie Williams, Caseworker/CYS, effective 4/4/22.

Transfers – Christy Robbins-Daubs, Administrative Assistant/Tax Assessment to Field Assessor/Tax Assessment, effective March 22, 2022.

Separations – Jonmarie Maines, Department Clerk II/Clerk of Courts, effective 4/1/22.

Approval of the personnel changes by Commissioner Glass, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment – None

Old Business – None

New Business

Kara McGary and Kelsey Vitullo attended the meeting to ask the board to Proclaim April as Child Abuse Prevention Month. Ms. McGary explained the programs they offer to prevent Child Abuse are Triple P, Parent's As Teachers, In home services, and Nurturing. Ms. McGary said the agency works closely with the County Children Youth and Family Services department. Motion to Proclaim April as Child Abuse Prevention Month by Commissioner Scotto, seconded by Commissioner Glass; motion carried unanimously.

Jim Chorney, Executive Director and Sherry Dunmire, ARC/EDA Director of North Central Pennsylvania Regional Planning and Development Commission (NC) attended the meeting to discuss new programs that will provide County municipalities and organizations with assistance finding project funding and completing grant requests. In April an additional position will be added, Community Capacity Specialist which will start helping with grant writing and enhanced grant services. NC hopes to provide services to municipalities that do not have staff or are not able to fill out the necessary documents for applications. Commissioner Glass said NC's programs are very timely as the County has just completed surveys to municipalities asking them to submit their needs for local infrastructure projects they hope or need to complete. Commissioner Glass said hopefully, the County and NC can work together to help the municipalities find funding to assist with paying for the projects.

Chair Sobel asked for a motion to award bids for printing of Election Ballots. Ms. Bozovich explained that three bids were received with Phoenix Graphics, Rochester NY were the low bidder at .20 cents per ballot. Motion to award the bid to Phoenix Graphics by Commissioner Scotto, seconded by Commissioner Glass; motion carried unanimously.

Chair Sobel asked for a motion to approve the relocation of Coalport Borough Polling location from the Coalport Fireman's Hall, Coalport to the Beccaria Twp – 1st polling location located at St. Basils Hall and Penn Township polling location from the Cen-Clear Child Services Building to St. Bonaventure Church, Main Street, Grampian to be combined with Grampian Borough. Both polling location moves are due to lack of poll workers in those locations. Approval by motion of Commissioner Glass, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

Chair Sobel opened the lone bid for Bosch DIP Server. A bid was received from the Phone Guys, Clearfield in the amount of \$33,969.46. Award will be made once the bid has been reviewed by Adam Curry and the Solicitor.

Chair Sobel presented the Master Professional Services Agreement with TRC. Solicitor Bozovich explained that the County has chosen to contract with TRC for the management of the County Bridges. Ms. Bozovich has reviewed the contact and is awaiting a reply from TRC with the following issues with

the agreement: doing business by the laws governed by the State of Connecticut, payment process and effective date of the contract

Chair Sobel asked for a motion to approve a Coordination Agreement with System Access & Management, Inc. (SAM). The agreement allows for the County Probation Department to share information with mutual clients. Approval of the agreement by Commissioner Glass, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

Chair Sobel called for a motion to appoint Dana Dillion to the Clearfield County Public Library Board. Approval of the motion by Commissioner Glass, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve a Collaboration Agreement with Peer Star, LLC. to be utilized by Children and Youth Services by Commissioner Scotto, seconded by Commissioner Glass; motion carried unanimously.

Purchase of Service Agreement with Harborcreek Youth Services for the period of July1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 was approved by motion of Commissioner Glass, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

#### Solicitor's Report

Solicitor Bozovich reported that the General Assembly and Party candidates are now permitted to obtain signatures on nominating petitions beginning March 18 through March 28.

Commissioner Glass reported that he had just returned from a CCAP Conference and discussion was held concerning the lack or poor broadband services in Rural Pennsylvania. It was suggested at the conference that a study should be performed to determine the needs. Adam Curry spoke he is a member of the advisory committee with NC and they have been conducting a survey and the information they have gathered might be helpful to the County. Commissioner Glass said that Jefferson County had just hired a consultant to assist them with the same and at some point I would like to recommend that Clearfield County put out an RFP for a study.

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Scotto, seconded by Commissioner Glass; motion carried unanimously.

Lisa McFadden, Chief Clerk