

The regular meeting of the Clearfield County Commissioners was held on Tuesday, February 27, 2018 with Chair Sobel conducting the meeting. The following were in attendance: Commissioners Scotto and McCracken; Kim Kesner, Solicitor; Tom Adamson, Controller; Jodi Brennan, County Planner; Dawn Graham, Director of Elections; Donna Bumbarger, Director of Voter Registration; Sam Lansberry, citizen; Yvonne Lehman, WOKW Radio; Jeff Corcino, Progress/Courier Express; Jessica Shirey, gantdaily.com; Lisa McFadden, Chief Clerk.

Minutes of the previous meeting of February 13, 2018 were approved by motion of Commissioner Scotto, seconded by Commissioner McCracken; motion carried unanimously.

Controller Adamson presented the following bills for approval: General Fund, \$933,527.91; Capital Reserve, \$7,530.16; Hazardous Materials Fund, \$245.35; 911 Fund, \$14,760.15; Children Youth Services Fund, \$207,697.67; Domestic Relations Fund, \$3,124.58. Approval of the bills by Commissioner McCracken, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Changes

New Hires – Mary Horner, Department Clerk II/Prothonotary, effective 2/23/18.

Transfers – Amber Richards Department Clerk II to Administrative Assistant/Prothonotary Office, effective 2/23/18.

Separations/Retirements

Taylor Guelich, part-time Telecommunicator/911, effective 2/16/18.

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

Public Comment – Sam Lansberry attended the meeting to discuss his ongoing issue with moving registered voters in Bradford Township from either the Civic Center or the Township Building. Mr. Lansberry feels there is not a problem and feels the Commissioners are trying to fix something that is not broken. The Commissioners, Election Office and Solicitor Kesner are working to clear up the precinct mapping issues prior to the Primary Election. These issues became known after the 2016 Presidential Election where allegations of voter fraud were made across the country. Department of State officials were pressured to confirm the accuracy and validity of the voter registrations records throughout the State. Per a directive from the PA Dept. of State the County Voter Registration office began reviewing the voter registration rolls and discovered that some of the voters were possibly not voting in the correct precincts in Clearfield County. The registrations were based on maps from 1985 when the County petitioned the Courts to consolidate 104 precincts to 68 precincts. At that time, Bradford Township had three precincts – Bigler with 340 voters, Jackson with 379 voters and Woodland with 496 voters. The consolidation of Bradford Township from three precincts to two precincts would consist of merging part of the Jackson precinct east of Route 970 with the existing Bigler precinct and the remaining portion of Jackson west of Route 970 with the Woodland precinct. Currently these precincts are now known as Bradford Township 1st, located at the Bigler Civic Center, and Bradford Township 2nd located at the Bradford Township Building. Commissioner McCracken felt that the intent back in 1985 was to take the Woodland and Bigler precincts as a whole and to combine each with portions of the Jackson precinct. The commissioners hope to reach a decision on the matter by their first regular meeting in March due to upcoming election deadlines; no further precinct notices will be mailed in order to minimize confusion.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jodi Brennan announced that the County would again be hosting an Electronics Recycling Collection Event March 17, 2018. Ms. Brennan explained that you must preregister for the event. Items that can be recycled are Televisions, Monitors, Computer Towers, Printers, Copiers, etc., also mercury containing devices, paints, stains, pesticides, pool chemicals, fluorescent lamps and batteries. All items are weighed and charged by the pound for disposal.

Chair Sobel presented two proposals from CPA firms to perform the County audit. The first was from Johnston, Nelson, Shimmel & Thomas, and LLP of Clearfield with fees for the auditing the following years: December 31, 2107 - \$40,700; December 31, 2018, \$41,500; December 31, 2019, \$42,300; December 31, 2020, \$43,200. The second proposal from Zelenkofske Axelrod, LLC of Pittsburgh with fees for auditing the following years: December 31, 2017 \$35,700; December 31, 2018, \$36,415 and December 31, 2019, \$37,415. Motion by Commissioner Scotto to accept the proposal of Zelenkofske Axelrod pending review by the solicitor, seconded by Commissioner McCracken; motion carried unanimously.

Chair Sobel asked for a motion to approve a lease agreement with Doing Better Business for a copier to be used in the Treasurer's office. The terms are 48 months at a rate of \$71.33/month. Approval by motion of Commissioner McCracken, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

Chair Sobel asked for a motion to approve the Care Coordination Agreement between the County and CENCLER for services used by CYS. Approval by motion of Commissioner Scotto, seconded by Commissioner McCracken; motion carried unanimously.

Chair Sobel asked for a motion to approve the following agreements: Memorandum of Understanding between the County and Community Connections; Linkage agreements between the County and PeerStar, LLC and also System Access Management. The agreements allow information to be shared with the agencies and Children Youth and Family Services. Approval by motion of Commissioner McCracken, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

Chair Sobel noted that the Board received a letter from Mike Gill requesting to be placed on the County Solid Waste Authority. Motion to approve the appointment of Mr. Gill for a five-year term to end December 31, 2022 by Commissioner Scotto, seconded by Commissioner McCracken; motion carried unanimously.

Solicitors Report - None

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

Lisa McFadden, Chief Clerk