

The regular meeting of the Clearfield County Commissioners was held on Tuesday, March 27, 2018 with Chair Sobel conducting the meeting. The following were in attendance: Commissioners Scotto and McCracken; Kim Kesner, Solicitor; Tom Adamson, Controller; Erin Rowles, Clearfield County CYS, Teresa Guaglianone and Jenna Bell, Children's Aid Society of Clearfield County; Joan Bracco and Terry Khoury, Clearfield County Area Agency on Aging; Jeff Corcino, Progress/Courier; Jessica Shirey, gantdaily.com; Yvonne Lehman, WOKW Radio; Lisa McFadden, Chief Clerk.

Minutes of the previous meeting of March 13, 2017 were approved by motion of Commissioner Scotto, seconded by Commissioner McCracken; motion carried unanimously.

Controller Adamson presented the following bills for approval: General Fund, \$696,253.13; Capital Reserve Fund, \$9,782.71; Hazardous Materials Fund, \$37.00; 911 Fund, \$12,900.15; Children Youth Services Fund, \$123,467.95; Domestic Relations Fund, \$3,220.56. Approval of the bills by Commissioner McCracken, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Changes –

New Hires – Linda Knepp, Department Clerk II Treasurers office, effective April 2, 2018.

Brittany Johnson, Juvenile Probation Officer, effective April 2, 2018.

Separations/Retirements

Robert Farabaugh, Corrections Officer at the Jail, effective March 20, 2018.

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

Public Comment – None

Old Business – None

New Business

Teresa Guaglianone and Erin Rowles asked the Board to Proclaim April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Clearfield County. Both Erin and Teresa explained how their agencies work together daily to prevent child abuse. Motion to adopt the proclamation by Commissioner McCracken, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

Terri Khoury and Joan Bracco attended the meeting to ask the Board Proclaim March as Meals on Wheels Month. Earlier in the month, the Commissioners along with Ms. Bracco assisted in delivering a meal to a recipient in the Clearfield area. The Commissioners agreed what a great and necessary program and service that Meals on Wheels provides. Motion to adopt the proclamation by Commissioner Scotto, seconded by Commissioner McCracken; motion carried unanimously.

Chair Sobel asked for a motion to approve and execution the retention letter from Zelenkofske Axelrod to perform the County audit. Approval by motion of Commissioner McCracken, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor Kesner presented Resolution 2018-#3 Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act (TEFRA) for Penn Highlands Healthcare financing for consideration. Mr. Kesner explained that the Penn Highlands Hospital Authority of the City of DuBois is proposing to issue a private activity bond for \$185,000,000. In order to obtain tax-free status the governing authority of where the funds will be expended must

approve the purpose. A portion of the financing will be used to refinance a 2014 previous bond that was for the benefit of Penn Highlands. Included in the resolution are an explanation of some of the projects that will be undertaken such as a six-story expansion to the main hospital in DuBois and renovation to the emergency department to the hospital in Clearfield. Motion to adopt Resolution 2018-#3 by Commissioner Scotto, seconded by Commissioner McCracken; motion carried unanimously.

Chair Sobel Consider asked for a motion to approve the Addendum to Lease with Developac, Inc., for the Clearfield County Domestic Relations satellite office in DuBois. The lease terms are for 36 months at a cost of \$1,405.00 per month. Approval of the addendum by Commissioner McCracken, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

Liquid Fuel allocations were approved for the following: Ramey Borough, \$3,000; Bradford Township, \$5,330.36; Union Township, \$4,250.82; Jordan Township, \$3,764.82; Pike Township, \$5,505.91. Approval by motion of Commissioner Scotto, seconded by Commissioner McCracken; motion carried unanimously. Motion to approve Liquid Fuel allocation to Girard Township, \$4,015.98 was approved by motion of Commissioner McCracken, seconded by Commissioner Scotto, Commissioner Sobel abstained due to conflict; motion carried.

Purchase of Service Agreements were approve for the following: Daniel Bell acting as Guardian Ad Litem and Cornell Abraxas Group. Approval of the agreements by Commissioner McCracken, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

A sales agreement with Seven Mountains Media for advertising of the CYS Foster Parent Program was approved by motion of Commissioner Scotto, seconded by Commissioner McCracken; motion carried unanimously.

Chair Sobel announced that the Board had received notice last week that DEP had approved the proposed injection well on Highland Street, Brady Township. The Commissioners had previously opposed this action in 2012 and presented testimony at the EPA hearing. Clearfield County continues to oppose the injection well and will continue to support the citizens that are involved. The citizens are very concerned that this well will contaminate their private water wells and the public water sources that are near this area. The citizens group are planning to appeal the decision.

Solicitors Report – None

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

Lisa McFadden, Chief Clerk