

The regular meeting of the Clearfield County Commissioners was held on Tuesday, January 26, 2021 with Chair Sobel conducting the meeting. The following were in attendance: Commissioners Scotto and Glass; Heather Bozovich, Solicitor; Tom Adamson, Controller; Adam Curry, Director of IT; Yvonne Lehmann, WOKW Radio; Jeff Corcino, Progress/Courier; Jessica Shirey, gantdaily.com; Lisa McFadden, Chief Clerk.

Minutes of the previous meeting of January 5 and 12 were approved by motion of Commissioner Glass, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

Controller Adamson presented the following bills for approval: General Fund, \$724,563.38; 911 Fund, \$4,791.12; Domestic Relations Fund, \$4,717.22; Children Youth Services Fund, \$420,310.38. Approval of the bills by Commissioner Scotto, seconded by Commissioner Glass; motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Changes

New Hires – Shania Liegey, Part-time Corrections Officer/Jail, effective 1/11/21.

William Plyler, Enforcement Officer/Domestic Relations, effective 1/19/21

Mark Kelly, Part-time Deputy Sheriff, effective 2/1/21

Shannon Kemp, Part-time Corrections Officer, effective 2/1/21.

Cindy Morgan, Tipstaff/Courts, effective 2/1/21

Rick Coudriet, Tipstaff/Courts, effective 2/11/21.

Separations/Retirements – Shelby Bloom, Part-time Secretary II/Veterans Affairs, effective 1/19/21.

Thomas Janocko, Part-time Deputy Sheriff, effective 1/29/21

Joseph Bigar, Director of EMA, effective 1/29/21.

Approval of the personnel changes by Commissioner Glass, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously. Chair Sobel thanked Joe Bigar for his service to the County who began his career September 2011.

Public Comment: None

Old Business: None

New Business

Jodi Brennan attended the meeting to discuss the At Risk Bridge funding awards and provided the following information:

“ Clearfield County recently solicited applications from local municipalities for projects that would repair or replace a municipally owned structurally deficient bridge to be funded with the County’s Act 13 At-Risk Bridge dollars. Projects whose scope of work removes the structurally deficient (SD) status of the bridge were considered.

A total four (4) applications were received. All four were deemed eligible by Penn DOT standards and met the program guideline requirements including 20% match. A total of \$400,000 was requested however only \$132,000 is currently available in the fund for such awards.

Due to limited funding the recommendation was made to fund three now with available funds as they are all currently closed.

The three applicants currently receiving funding awards include:

Gulich Township - TR 919 Walnut Street over Muddy Run – award of \$50,000.00

Cooper Township - TR 774 Coalward Street over Sulphur Run – award of \$50,000.00

Morris Township - TR 704 Colorado Road over Unnamed Trib. To Moshannon Creek – award of \$32,000.00

The fourth application from Irvona Borough is being recommended for future funding once additional funds are received from the state. This bridge has received previous county at risk bridge funds and is currently open. However, it is a project in much need of additional funds as the project will cost over a million dollars”

Motion by Commissioner Scotto to approve granting the Act Risk Bridge funds to Gulich Township, \$50,000; Cooper Township, \$50,000 and Morris Township, \$50,000; seconded by Commissioner Glass; motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Brennan also spoke to the Board that the County Municipal Solid Waste Plan will need updated by January 28, 2023. Ms. Brennan provided the following information:

The PA Municipal Waste Planning, Recycling and Waste Reduction Act, Act 101 of July 28, 1988 requires every county to prepare and adopt a municipal waste management plan every 10 years.

The primary purposes of a municipal waste management plan are to (1) Ensure that each county has sufficient processing and disposal capacity for its municipal waste for at least 10 years, (2) Ensure a full, fair and open discussion of alternative methods of municipal waste processing or disposal, (3) Ensure maximum feasible waste reduction and recycling of municipal waste or source separated recyclable material and (4) Conserve resources and protect the public health, safety and welfare from the short- and long-term dangers of transportation, processing, treatment, storage and disposal of municipal waste.

The current county plan will be expiring January 1, 2023 and as such the process for updating this plan is being initiated by the county commissioners.

Step one will be forming a County Solid Waste Advisory Committee as per § 272.202 of the municipal solid waste regulations. So today we are announcing that we are seeking interested parties to serve on this committee. Specifically we are in need of folks who qualified to represent the following committee categories

- (1) All classes of municipalities within the county (City, Township, & Borough).
- (2) Citizen organizations.
- (3) Industry
- (4) The private solid waste industry operating within the county.
- (5) The private recycling or scrap material processing industry operating within the county.

Interested parties should submit letter of interest including information as to how they are qualified to represent one of these outlined committee categories to the County Commissioners by email to ccomm@clearfieldco.org or mail to 212 E. Locust street suite 112 Clearfield, PA by February 19, 2021 4PM.

Motion by Commissioner Scotto to move forward to update the Municipal Solid Waste Plan and to also recruit members for the Solid Waste Advisory Committee, seconded by Commissioner Glass; motion carried unanimously.

Chair Sobel asked for a motion to approve a Linkage Agreement between the County and Dickinson Center for use by the County Probation Department. Approval by motion of Commissioner Scotto, seconded by Commissioner Glass; motion carried unanimously.

Chair Sobel presented a Professional Services Agreement with MCM Consulting Group. MCM will provide services to update the County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion to execute the

agreement by Commissioner Glass, Seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

Chair Sobel asked for a motion to execute an Agreement between the County and Clearfield County Economic Development Corporation (“Clearly Ahead”). The agreement is for a one year term in the amount of \$100,000. The funds are to be used for salaries and operational expenses. Approval by motion of Commissioner Scotto, seconded by Commissioner Glass; motion carried unanimously.

Chair Sobel presented a lease agreement with Quadient for a new postage machine to be used by the Courthouse and Annex staff. Motion to execute the lease agreement by Commissioner Glass, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

Chair Sobel called for a motion to approve the Owner County Agreement with Central Counties Youth Center. Commissioner Glass spoke that Clearfield County’s annual cost as a member County has decreased due to lack of usage not only by Clearfield County but also the other member Counties and due to the fact that member Counties provided CARES funds to the CCCYDC that helped with their budget issues. Commissioner Glass explained that the CCCYDC Board is looking for other uses for the center such as a shelter facility. Motion to execute the agreement by Commissioner Glass, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

Chair Sobel asked for a motion to reappointments Jodi Brennan, Janie French and Paul McCloskey to the North Central Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee. Approval of the reappointments by Commissioner Scotto, seconded by Commissioner Glass; motion carried unanimously.

Chair Sobel asked for a motion to appointment of Rebecca Misko and Tammy Kyler to the CYS Advisory Board. Approval by Commissioner Glass, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

The Commissioners thanked the County IT staff Adam Curry and Justin Jarrett for all of their hard work in getting the County Computer system up and running after being attacked by malware that was discovered on January 9, 2021. Most of the issues have been resolved with the County Prison getting back online as of yesterday. Commissioner Glass said that Justin was very instrumental with his knowledge in getting the County Prison servers restored.

Solicitors Report

Solicitor Bozovich asked the Commissioners to consider approval of a Stipulation and Consent Order with respect to Mature Resources (Village of Hope) assessment appeal and market value of their property. Solicitor Bozovich asked permission to enter into the Stipulation and Consent Order – Docket No. 2019-1816 to set the Girard Township property at 8962 Gillingham Road with a market value of \$75000. The Clearfield School District has also agreed to the same.

Approval by motion of Commissioner Glass,
motion carried unanimously.

seconded by Commissioner Scotto;

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

Lisa McFadden, Chief Clerk