

The regular meeting of the Clearfield County Commissioners was held on Tuesday, July 27, 2021 with Chairman Sobel conducting the meeting. The following were in attendance: Commissioners Scotto and Glass; Heather Bozovich, Solicitor; Tom Adamson, Controller; Dave Kessler, Warden; Ibberson, Heidi, Deputy Warden Ibberson; Tyler Nichols and Steven Niez, AMB; Jessica Shirey, gantdaily.com; Diane Byers, Progress/Courier Express; Yvonne Lehmann, WOWK Radio; Lisa McFadden, Chief Clerk.

Minutes of the previous meeting of July 13, 2021 were approved by motion of Commissioner Scotto; seconded by Commissioner Glass; motion carried unanimously. Controller Adamson presented the following bills for approval: General Fund, \$859,893.31; Liquid Fuels Fund, \$6,296.67; Operating Reserve, \$99,95; Hazardous Materials Fund, \$497.90; 911 Fund, \$7,461.78; Domestic Relations Fund, \$1,579.54; Children Youth Services Fund, \$444,316.83. Approval of the bills by Commissioner Glass, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Changes

New Hires – Thomas Young, Part-time License Clerk/Treasurer, effective 7/14/21.

Rachel Young, Caseworker/CYS, effective 7/19/21

Dennis Curry, Jr., Temporary Part-time 911 Telecommunicator, effective 7/22/21.

Transfers – Thomas Patterson, Part-time Corrections Officer to Full-time Corrections Officer, effective 7/25/21.

Separations/Retirements – William Nye, Part-time Corrections Officer, effective 7/12/21.

Joseph Whitton, Security Guard, effective 7/20/21.

Susan Bauer, GIS Technician/GIS, effective 7/30/21

Miscellaneous – Rescind the previously accepted July 29, 2021 resignation form Kelsey Vitullo, Caseworker Supervisor/CYS. Employee to continue in position with no separation in employment.

FMLA – LI66468 excused unpaid leave of absence from 7/9/21 for a period up to eight weeks.

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

Public Comment – None

Old Business – None

New Business

Chair Sobel introduced Tyler Nichols, Sales Director and Steven Niez, Sales Director of ABM Industries. Chair Sobel spoke that in April, the Commissioners chose the company to conduct an energy savings project for the County buildings. The company guarantees there will be a cost savings to the county over a five-year period once the new equipment and changes have been made. The cost of the projected is expected to be \$9,398,612 with Energy Savings of \$2,198,742. The majority of the work will be performed at the County Jail. Items to be addressed will be replacements of the roof, HAVA System, plumbing (water conservation devices) and LED lighting. It was noted that most of the items that will be replaced are beyond their expected life span. The agreement with ABM will be a five-year term, ABM will conduct an annual audit of the energy savings, and if it has not met the expected savings, ABM will reimburse the County for the costs. The Commissioners requested proposals from three local banks (Northwest, CNB and Riverview) and other lending institutions. Huntington Bank provided the lowest fixed interest rate and waived all costs and fees. The interior projects are expected to begin in mid-August with the roof replacement to begin in spring 2022. The Commissioners believe that they will be able to utilize American Rescue Act Funds for the HVAC System portion. The Commissioners agree that the project is very necessary and have worked with the ABM representatives to move the project forward. Chair Sobel asked for a motion to adopt Resolution 2021-#1 authorizing the selection of ABM to complete a GESA for \$9,398,612 and to authorize the Chairman to execute all documents related to the project. Approval by motion of Commissioner Glass, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously. Chair Sobel asked for a motion to adopt Resolution 2021-#2 to accept the proposal of Huntington Bank, for a 20 year fixed rate of 2.71% and to authorize the Chair's execution of documents in the final form with the exact amount to be borrowed and terms of the loan, once reviewed by the Solicitor. Approval by motion of Commissioner Glass, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk McFadden presented a copier lease with Doing Better Business for usage at District Judge Nevling's office. The lease is for 36 months at a cost of \$120.71/month. Approval of the lease agreement by Commissioner Scotto, seconded by Commissioner Glass; motion carried unanimously.

Purchase of Service Agreements were approved for Children's Aid Society and Dr. Ryan by motion of Commissioner Glass, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

Chair Sobel asked for approval of an agreement with Cen-Clear Child Services to administer the Child Advocacy Center. Motion by Commissioner Glass, seconded by Commissioner Scotto; motion carried unanimously.

Liquid Fuel allocations were approved for Huston Township, \$4,198.65; Union Township, \$4,250.00; Cooper Township, \$5,457.36 by motion of Commissioner Scotto, seconded by Commissioner Glass; motion carried unanimously.

Announced the August 3, 2021 meeting is cancelled due to lack of quorum. Commissioners Glass and Scotto will be attending the CCAP Conference in Hershey.

Chair Sobel announced an opening on the Curwensville Lake Authority. If anyone is interested, they should send a letter of interest to the Commissioners.

Solicitors Report

Solicitor Bozovich reported Preliminary Objections and an Amended Complaint were filed concerning the lawsuit against numerous Prothonotary offices throughout the State. Ms. Bozovich will report with any new developments.

Commissioner Glass reported that

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

Lisa McFadden, Chief Clerk