

COMMISSIONERS GENERAL SESSION
June 4, 2018

**Present at the meeting were
Commissioners:**

Brenda K. Benner-Chairman
Paul L. Rudy Jr- Vice-Chairman
Stephen C. Naylor- Secretary
William R. Bunt-Solicitor
Kathy Burkholder- Chief Clerk

Present from the Press: Jim Ryan

Present from the Public: Miriam Briscoe, Frank Campbell, Mary Colledge, Bonnie Delancey, Michelle Jones, Sarah Keller, Jim Lucas, Dave Magee, Allen Metzger, Harva Owings Baughman, Rich Pluta, Jim Quigley, Larry Reisinger, Martha Roberts, Glenda Ruch, Jim Scott, Marty Smith, Greg Wirth, Melanie Wertz

Commissioner Benner opened the meeting at 10:00 AM on June 4, 2018 with the Pledge to the Flag and a moment of silence. Melanie Wertz recorded the meeting and Jim Lucas videoed the meeting.

Public Comment:

Melanie Wertz asked if the Commissioners were considering helping the Office of Aging with funding for their Meals on Wheels program.

Dave Magee recognized Commissioner Naylor for speaking at the New Bloomfield Veterans Day ceremony.

The Commissioners acknowledged Jim Scott, Veterans Affairs Director as being selected to receive the 2018 Commander's Special Award for Above and Beyond the call of Duty for Veterans. The Award Presentation will be held in Pittsburgh.

A public hearing occurred in the Commissioners Conference Room to discuss the 2018 Project Review for Community Development Block Grant Funds. Seda-COG administers the grant on behalf of the County. The amount of \$235,000 is based off of last year's funding amount. The following three municipalities have applied for project funding;

- Oliver Township Municipal Authority for sewage system rehabilitation in the amount of \$117,950 and is an ongoing project with 2 additional steps to complete.
- Howe Township Municipal Authority for sanitary sewer lateral installation in the amount of \$221,710 which would provide assistance to income-eligible owner-occupants with the costs associated with the installation of private sanitary sewer laterals.
- Loysville Municipal Authority is requesting \$96,165 to their sewage system and is also a continuation of an on going project.

All three projects meet the project evaluation criteria.

Martha Roberts gave an update on the activities for the Economic Development Authority for 2018. Since the beginning of the year volunteers have logged in over 500 hours of volunteered time. They are currently using business plan software to assist users and businesses in creating a comprehensive business plan. They are working with Tri-County Planning, Chamber of Commerce, Capital Regional Partnership for Career Development, Farm Bureau and the County School Districts to help them be well informed on economic issues. They have applied for a Rural Business Development Grant and a Local Food Promotion Grant.

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Rudy made a motion to approve the minutes of May 21, 2018. Commissioner Naylor seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Warrant List: Commissioner Rudy made a motion to approve the warrant list for the week of May 21, 2018 in the amount of \$77,752.21 and \$479,083.31 for the week of June 4, 2018. Commissioner Naylor seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Based on the recommendation of the Mh/IDD Board, Commissioner Naylor made a motion to approve the following 2017/2018 contracts:

Early Intervention	Pediatric Therapy Specialists of SCPA, LLC	E1170092	\$91,547	Increase \$5,067
Mental Health	Riverside Associates, PC	MH17-0041	\$15,000	Increase \$3,000

Commissioner Rudy seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Commissioner Rudy made a motion to approve the Independent Contract Agreements for Aging for Health & Wellness Programs for 2017/2018 which is a Tai Chi program to benefit those suffering from arthritis:

- Karen Pelton \$35.00 per session
- Bonnie Luther \$35.00 per session

Commissioner Naylor seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Employee Status: Commissioner Naylor made a motion to to accept the letter of resignation from Justin Michael Casey as a part time Correctional Officer effective June 11, 2018. Commissioner Rudy seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Commissioner Rudy made a motion to accept the letter of resignation from Courtney Roth, Counselor at the prison effective June 15, 2018. Commissioner Benner seconded the motion. Commissioner Naylor opposed. Motion carried.

Commissioner Naylor made a motion to approve Jessica Miller as an unpaid intern for Children & Youth effective June 4, 2018. Commissioner Rudy seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Solicitors Report: Nothing that required Action. Mr. Bunt noted that Robin Holman resigned as the Solicitor for the Domestic Relations Office effective May 24, 2018.

Public Comment: Jim Scott thanked the Commissioners Office for their assistance in helping to create Veterans I.D. cards for those veterans in need at a minimal cost to the County. The cards will begin to be issued next week to those requesting them on a scheduled basis.

Dave Magee asked Martha Roberts if Spiral Path Farms will be contacted for local food production and Yeingst Mobile Homes in Martysville regarding Natural Gas.

Rich Pluta expressed his gratitude to Michelle Jones, Authority Secretary for all of her hard work that she has done.

Commissioner Naylor made a motion to adjourn at 10:40 a.m. Commissioner Rudy seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Kathy Burkholder, Chief Clerk

Stephen C. Naylor, Secretary