

NOVEMBER 26, 2019 MINUTES

Formally approved at December 10, 2019 meeting

FULL BOARD PRESENT: Also present: Norma Bird, Treasurer; Susan Kauwell, Prothonotary; Brian Pufnak, ECEN; Greg Molter, Planning Director; Lloyd Bunch, Public; Karen Blackledge, The Danville News.

Mr. Holdren asked those so inclined to rise for a prayer led by Solicitor Robert L. Marks. A moment of silence was observed in recognition of the passing of William Dickerson, County Zoning Officer. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison. The meeting was then opened.

Mr. Hartman moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

General Account Disbursements	\$158,560.16
General Account Receipts	\$27,944.09
General Account Checking 2.08%	\$1,006,193.12
Capital Reserve Fund 1.71%	\$54,771.45
Operating Reserve 1.71%	\$87,218.76
Total Checking	\$1,148,183.33
Act 13 Highway-Bridge 1.71%	\$192,562.63
Act 44 1.76%	\$92,715.57
Act 89 1.71%	\$112,496.83
Children and Youth Checking 1.76%	\$324,656.36
Facilities Fund .05%	\$809,413.74
Flood Mitigation 1.76%	\$2,754.52
Hazardous Material Account Checking 1.76%	\$7,296.07
Human & Community Services Checking 1.76%	\$88,875.70
Improvement Fund Checking 1.76%	\$19,326.52
Liquid Fuels Checking 1.76%	\$210,978.74
Offender Supervision Account Checking 1.76%	\$71,793.45
Storm Water Ordinance Escrow	\$33,866.05
Uniform 911 Surcharge 1.67%	\$1,105,665.57

Mr. Holdren called for public comment. Mrs. Bird announced her office will hold a giveaway in conjunction with 2020 dog license sales. Those buying licenses in the Treasurer's Office will be entered for a drawing for two gift baskets filled with goodies for dogs. Mrs. Bird said the promotion is a way to encourage residents to come to the courthouse and purchase licenses in person rather than do so online, which requires an additional fee. She noted the baskets were paid for by employees in her office

There was no old business.

Under new business, Mr. Holdren moved to enter into an agreement with ES&S to purchase the DS-200 optical scan voting system and ExpressVote accessible ballot marking devices at a cost of \$162,144.00 through Co-Stars. Mr. Hartman seconded. Mr. Holdren expressed frustration over the state mandate to replace “good working equipment.” While the state is expected to pay 60 percent of the cost over a five-year period, the remainder amounts to an unfunded mandate, and is one of the reasons the County will likely need a tax increase next year, he said. Mr. Finn announced his intention to vote against the agreement – not as a slight to his fellow board members or ES&S but because of his frustration over being forced to replace working equipment. He noted Dauphin County Commissioners voted against replacing their voting system, and the citizens of that County could be on the hook for 100% of the cost. On called vote, Mr. Holdren and Mr. Hartman voted in favor. Mr. Finn voted against.

Mr. Finn moved to enter into a Regional Government Enterprise Agreement with Esri for GIS software. Mr. Hartman seconded. Under the proposal, PEMA will pay \$150,000.00 per year for all five counties – or \$30,000.00 per county - to provide unlimited GIS software use. The motion included authorization to use the GIS support to the following: Michele Sharrow, Assessment; Greg Molter, Planning/Zoning; Clair Heath, Sheriff; Ed Burkland, EMA; Bob Stoudt, MARC; and Jennifer Wakeman, DRIVE. On called vote, all voted in favor. It was noted, the County will budget \$17,000.00 to develop maps, a one-time maintenance expenditure of \$5,000.00 and \$15,000.00 for continuing GIS support, which will save dollars during the Comprehensive Plan and Hazard Mitigation Plan updates.

Mr. Hartman moved to approve a web services program agreement with CCAP for \$12,000.00. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Holdren moved to enter into a memorandum of understanding with Geisinger Medical Center under which Geisinger will provide \$300,000.00 to support the purchase of new radio equipment for emergency responders and County offices. Mr. Finn seconded. Mr. Holdren said the County is “thrilled” by Geisinger’s commitment, which, helped the County achieve its goal of raising in excess of \$400,000.00 toward the purchase of radios. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn approved submission of a PCorp Loss Prevention Grant application of \$11,258.00 to remove and replace fencing around the Prison. Mr. Hartman seconded. Mr. Finn noted the old fencing will be donated to the Montgomery House Museum and possibly Zamboni Park. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Hartman moved to enter into a purchase of service agreement on behalf of Children & Youth Services with Central Counties Youth Center at a per diem of \$280.00, representing a 4 percent increase. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to purchase a skid loader through CoStars from Penn Equipment Co. for \$41,765.40. Mr. Hartman seconded. It was noted the County will look to use Liquid Fuels funds for the purchase, if eligible. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Holdren moved to cancel Board meetings scheduled for December 3 and 17 and schedule a meeting for December 31 at 11 a.m. Mr. Hartman seconded. Mr. Holdren noted a previously scheduled meeting on December 10 will remain on the calendar with the 2020 tentative budget approval planned for then. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Hartman moved to reappoint Dr. Willis Manges to a five-year term on the Northumberland-Montour Airport Authority. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

With the passing of William Dickerson as Zoning Officer, Mr. Holdren moved to temporarily appoint Planning Director Greg Molter as Zoning Officer. Mr. Hartman seconded. With Mr. Molter assuming zoning duties, it was noted that he will no longer be able to approve any land development or minor sub-division plans due to a conflict of interest. Such plans will now go to the full Planning Commission for approval. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to approve Family Medical Leave Act leave for Marc Maturani, Correctional Officer, effective December 10. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Holdren moved to pay the following bills: General Account, \$593,336.90; Children & Youth, \$76,078.87; Liquid Fuels, \$438.85; Human and Community Service, \$2,165.79; Facilities, \$28,043.54; Other Funds, \$21,170.96. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:
Holly A. Brandon, Chief Clerk