

MARCH 26, 2019 MINUTES

Formally approved at April 9, 2019 meeting

PRESENT: Commissioner Vice Chairman Dan W. Hartman, Commissioner Trevor S. Finn; Commissioner Chairman Kenneth A. Holdren was present via telephone; Also present: Susan Kauwell, Prothonotary; Norma Bird, Treasurer; Marv Shrawder, Magisterial District Judge; Lloyd Bunch, Public; Karen Blackledge, The Danville News.

Mr. Hartman asked those so inclined to rise for a prayer led by Assistant Solicitor Michael Dennehy. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison. The meeting was then opened.

Mr. Finn moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Mr. Hartman 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	\$152,561.75
General Account Receipts	\$475,424.93
General Account Checking 2.43%	\$511,350.79
Capital Reserve Fund 2.38%	\$45,566.39
Operating Reserve 2.38%	\$88,333.17
Total Checking	\$645,250.35
Act 13 Highway-Bridge 2.38%	\$217,284.55
Act 44 2.43%	\$91,331.89
Act 89 2.38%	\$98,068.86
Children and Youth Checking 2.43%	\$620,978.23
Flood Mitigation 2.43%	\$2,713.42
Hazardous Material Account Checking 2.43%	\$17,256.10
Human & Community Services Checking 2.43%	\$76,329.01
Improvement Fund Checking 2.43%	24,682.74
Liquid Fuels Checking 2.43%	\$256,762.85
Offender Supervision Account Checking 2.43%	\$62,212.51
Storm Water Ordinance Escrow	\$33,866.05
Uniform 911 Surcharge 2.23%	\$694,969.15

Mr. Hartman called for public comment. Mr. Shrawder informed the board that a large tree had fallen into and across the creek upstream from Bridge 20 on Meadowbrook Avenue and could potentially cause an issue in a high-water event.

Mr. Bunch asked why the government doesn't spend more money on preventing flooding than after floods. Mr. Hartman said it is the goal to do just that through mitigation projects. Mr. Finn noted the County Conservation District has completed such projects as streambank restorations, but the problem stems from new construction without proper stormwater management. The area gets a fraction of the rain it used to but still floods.

Under correspondence, Mr. Hartman said the Postal Service mailed letters to residents stating the majority of Danville mail is being addressed incorrectly. The letter advised residents to use the 911 street addresses assigned in 2017 and to notify their correspondents of the proper address as the post office is mandated to use the new addresses and no others. Mr. Holdren said he talked to staff at the Danville Post Office and the Postmaster about the letter and officials conceded the estimate of incorrect mailings was overstated. That said, residents need to use their new addresses as first responders are reporting some new addresses are not posted.

Under old business, Mr. Hartman moved to accept the 2019 CDBG Grant award of \$312,193.00. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to accept the Victim Witness Grant award for the project period of January 1, 2019 through December 30, 2022, noting the entire grant is for a three-year period in the amount of \$77,450.00. Mr. Holdren seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Hartman moved to approve an addendum to the agreement of sale with the Danville Area School District for the former Danville Elementary School, which extends the closing date to on or before April 30. Mr. Finn seconded. Mr. Holdren explained the County is still waiting for the Department of Community and Economic Development to sign off on the loan, which is the reason for the extension. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Under new business, Mr. Finn moved to approve a hazardous material emergency response spill agreement with Northridge Group Inc. as a secondary responder. Mr. Holdren seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to let bids for the prison parking lot project with bids due back by 3 p.m. April 22. Mr. Holdren seconded. Bids will be opened at the Board of Commissioners meeting at 11 a.m. April 23. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Hartman moved to approve a proposal from Larson Design Group for a hydrologic and hydraulic study on Bridge 15 in the amount of \$15,200.00, which includes a field survey and truncated bridge replacement study to evaluate a box culvert and a single-span bridge. Mr. Holdren seconded. Before the vote, Mr. Finn moved to table the motion indefinitely. The motion died for lack of a second. Mr. Hartman said it was important to get the the bridge project in motion in order to get approval for federal grant dollars. Mr. Holdren agreed on the necessity of moving ahead right away. Mr. Finn explained he wanted to put the whole project out for an engineering RFP with proposals due back by April 9 and as the Larson proposal was based on a notice to proceed of April 8, that would have been only a one-day difference. Mr. Holdren said the Board did not have an actual RFP in hand to issue, which would delay the process. Mr. Hartman said if the proposal on the table was approved, Larson would start work well ahead of April 8.

On called vote on the original motion, Mr. Hartman and Mr. Holdren voted in favor. Mr. Finn voted against.

Mr. Hartman moved to adopt resolution R-3-26-2019 designating William Bradfield, Flood Resiliency Program Analyst with SEDA-COG, as the designated agent for the County to submit documents to obtain financial assistance through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to approve an allocation of \$1,500.00 from the Legacy Gas Well Drilling Fees Fund for Zamboni Park upkeep. Mr. Hartman seconded. Commissioners noted that Bill and Diane Zamboni, other volunteers and donors are responsible for the upkeep of the beautiful gateway to Danville. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Hartman moved to approve a purchase of service agreement on behalf of Children and Youth Services with Columbia County Family Center for 2019-2020 with no rate increase. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Hartman moved to appoint Michael Kull to the ECEN Advisory Board, as the Montour County fire companies' representative. Mr. Holdren seconded, stating the appointment was on the recommendation of county fire chiefs. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to appoint a Microsoft Cloud Agreement. Mr. Holdren seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Hartman moved to affirm the hiring of Colleen McCollum as Deputy Prothonotary at \$21,000.00 annually effective April 1. Mr. Holdren seconded. On called vote, Mr. Hartman and Mr. Holdren voted in favor. Mr. Finn abstained as Ms. McCollum is his niece.

Mr. Finn moved to issue a Request for Proposals for engineering services, including permitting and construction, for Bridge 15 with proposals due back and opened at 3 p.m. April 9. Mr. Holdren said he was uncomfortable issuing the request as he has not seen an actual RFP. Mr. Hartman said the RFP was premature as the hydrology and hydraulics study needs to be completed to determine what kind of bridge to build. The motion died for lack of a second.

Mr. Holdren moved to pay the following bills: General Account, \$206,495.47; Children & Youth, \$73,610.79; Liquid Fuels, \$45.61; Uniform 911, \$0; Human and Community Service, \$1,172.25; Other Funds, \$639.96. 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