

MARCH 12 2019 MINUTES

Formally approved at March 26, 2019 meeting

FULL BOARD PRESENT; Also present: Susan Kauwell, Prothonotary; Kathi Lynn, Columbia Montour Aging Office; Dustin Fry, Nathan Kunz, Lloyd Bunch, Public; Geri Gibbons, PressEnterprise; Karen Blackledge, The Danville News.

Mr. Holdren asked those so inclined to rise for a prayer led by Solicitor Robert L. Marks. 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	\$292,625.41
General Account Receipts	\$31,848.68
General Account Checking 2.43%	\$188,487.61
Capital Reserve Fund 2.38%	\$45,458.41
Operating Reserve 2.38%	\$237,904.29
Total Checking	\$471,850.31
Act 13 Highway-Bridge 2.38%	\$216,893.55
Act 44 2.43%	\$91,164.05
Act 89 2.38%	\$97,892.39
Children and Youth Checking 2.43%	\$570,806.43
Flood Mitigation 2.43%	\$2,708.43
Hazardous Material Account Checking 2.43%	\$17,224.39
Human & Community Services Checking 2.43%	\$78,008.25
Improvement Fund Checking 2.43%	\$24,637.99
Liquid Fuels Checking 2.43%	\$256,669.54
Offender Supervision Account Checking 2.43%	\$58,736.63
Storm Water Ordinance Escrow	\$31,386.05
Uniform 911 Surcharge 2.23%	\$693,756.27

Mr. Holdren called for public comment. Mrs. Kauwell commented on the success of Passport Day, saying 22 passports were issued. Mr. Bunch commended MARC on the success of its pancake breakfast fundraiser.

There was no old business.

Under correspondence, Mr. Holdren noted receipt of a letter from the law firm of Peters and Tripoli stating Cooper Township has entered into an intergovernmental agreement with Mahoning Township to form a Joint Planning Commission and Joint Zoning Hearing Board. Additionally, Mahoning Township will also provide zoning officer, sewer enforcement officer and engineering services to Cooper Township.

Correspondence was also received from RHP Law Group seeking a change to the zoning map on behalf of Craig High, Carl Slater, Jeff Heller, Ryan Ossont and J.L. Moyer Sons, Inc., who purchased land from Talen Generation. The amendment request seeks to change the property from public/semi-public to agricultural use. Mr. Holdren said the request will be forwarded to the Planning Commission.

Mr. Hartman introduced Kathi Lynn, Director of the Columbia-Montour Aging Office, who spoke about services the agency offers. Ms. Lynn said the organization's main mission is to keep older adults in their homes rather than institutionalized. Its \$4 million annual budget is comprised of Pennsylvania Lottery funds, some federal dollars, donations and business contributions. The Aging Office also engages in fundraising to try to shorten the wait lists for its services and is currently participating in the Raise the Region fundraiser. The Aging Office offers transportation services through Rabbittransit for such activities as medical appointments and shopping. It operates senior centers throughout the two-county area, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Monday through Friday. The centers offer lunch, events and speakers. Meals are delivered to home-bound residents and personal care services, such as help with personal hygiene, shopping, laundry and household maintenance are offered. However, there is a 45-person waiting list for the latter. Ms. Lynn said Aging's waiver program provides in-home care for up to 20 hours a day and its Community Health Choices can offer assistance with Medicare and Medicaid eligibility. Another important function of Aging involves protective services for older adults suffering from self-neglect, physical and emotional abuse, and financial exploitation. Anyone interested in obtaining services, volunteering or making a donation can do so by calling 570-784-9272 or sending correspondence to 702 Sawmill Road, Bloomsburg, PA 17815.

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Under new business, Mr. Finn moved to approve membership in the SEDA-COG Natural Gas Cooperative Inc. Mr. Hartman seconded. Mr. Finn noted a \$20,000.00 admission fee is being paid by DRIVE through a bequest by the Greater Danville Area Industrial Development Corporation. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to sign a Memorandum of Agreement between the East Central Regional Counter Terrorism Task Force and the Private Industry Council of the Central Corridor (PICC) designating PCC to serve as the task force's financial administrator. Mr. Hartman seconded. Mr. Finn said the agreement runs through June 30, 2020, with annual renewals through 2024. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Hartman moved to affirm the resignation of Valerie Anderson, Deputy Prothonotary, effective March 22. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Hartman moved to affirm the hiring of Valerie Anderson as Secretary/Clerk in the Office of Magisterial District Judge at a salary of \$18,627.22 effective March 25. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to accept a letter of resignation from Robert Jones, effective March 4. Mr. Jones was hired as a Correctional Officer but resigned before starting his employment for a higher-paying job in the state system, Mr. Finn said, adding that losing

applicants and employees has become a “revolving door” as the County, to keep taxes down, cannot afford to pay employees higher wages. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Hartman moved to approve Family Medical Leave Act leave for Sara Prieto, Clerk/Typist, effective March 15. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to pay the following bills: General Account, \$169,603.00; Children & Youth, \$14,453.59; Liquid Fuels, \$382.25; Uniform 911, \$0; Human and Community Service, \$1,825.87; Other Funds, \$61,057.79. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Holdren moved to pay an invoice of \$4,000.00 from LeFevre Wilk from CDBG funds pending receipt of the funds from the DCED. 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