

## **JULY 23, 2019 MINUTES**

Formally approved at August 13, 2019 meeting

FULL BOARD PRESENT: Also present: Susan Kauwell, Prothonotary; Norma Bird, Treasurer; Jeff Molinaro, FirstNet; Geri Gibbons, Press Enterprise; 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. Hartman moved to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

General Account Disbursements	\$155,455.09
General Account Receipts	\$274,400.53
General Account Checking 2.43%	\$2,087,356.30
Capital Reserve Fund 2.38%	\$54,397.32
Operating Reserve 2.38%	\$86,622.98
Total Checking	\$2,228,376.60
Act 13 Highway-Bridge 2.38%	\$218,816.58
Act 44 2.43%	\$92,066.75
Act 89 2.38%	\$111,728.38
Children and Youth Checking 2.43%	\$319,521.37
Facilities Fund .05%	\$844,377.99
Flood Mitigation 2.42%	\$2,735.24
Hazardous Material Account Checking 2.43%	\$22,363.79
Human & Community Services Checking 2.43%	\$76,554.69
Improvement Fund Checking 2.43%	\$25,826.89
Liquid Fuels Checking 2.43%	\$222,291.37
Offender Supervision Account Checking 2.43%	\$60,905.77
Storm Water Ordinance Escrow	\$33,866.05
Uniform 911 Surcharge 2.22%	\$760,253.34

Mr. Holdren asked for public comment. There was none.

Under old business, Mr. Hartman moved to award the general contracting bid for the Prison annex accessibility project to Gray Builders LLC in the amount of \$144,500.00 plus an alternate addition of \$14,000.00 for a front entrance door. Mr. Holdren seconded. It was noted the entrance door is historically faithful, secured and ADA compliant. On called vote, Mr. Hartman and Holdren voted in favor. Mr. Finn abstained, disclosing his nephew is an employee of Gray.

Mr. Hartman moved to accept the plumbing construction bid for the Prison annex accessibility project to Hepco Construction Inc. in the amount of \$11,975.00. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to adopt Ordinance 4 of 2019 amending and restating the articles of DRIVE. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor. Mr. Finn moved to approve the first amendment to DRIVE's restarted articles of agreement. Mr. Hartman seconded. Mr. Finn explained the actions were needed as the Columbia Alliance for Economic Growth and Greater Danville Area Industrial Development Corporation functions were assumed by DRIVE. Under DRIVE's original articles, member representatives from both organizations were appointees to DRIVE's Board of Directors, which is no longer the case. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Under new business, Mr. Holdren moved to reject the sole bid of \$1,543,018.00 from Railroad Construction Company Inc., and to rebid the track, turnout and grade crossing construction and bridge repair project on DRIVE property through a Multimodal Transportation Grant. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to approve an application and agreement for the adult probation services Grant-In-Aid program with the Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole from July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020, in the amount of \$87,463.00. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

The Board introduced Mr. Molinaro who explained the FirstNet cell phone system. Mr. Molinaro said AT&T was awarded a 25-year contract by the government to provide a wireless network for first responders and related entities. The dedicated network offers a superior communications tool and will keep users connected at all times no matter the emergency as it is segregated. from consumer traffic. Mr. Finn said County EMA and Sheriff's staff tested coverage and found both interior and outdoor coverage superior to the County's current carrier. Additionally, the County will realize a \$360.00 monthly savings by switching to FirstNet, he noted. Mr. Molinaro said there will never be a cost increase for the current level of service which is on a month-to-month contract. Mr. Finn moved to approve the FirstNet agreement. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn left the meeting for a fire call.

Mr. Hartman moved to unencumber \$81,700.00 in Liquid Fuels funds for scour repairs to Bridge 15 in Anthony Township. The bridge was destroyed in a flood and will be rebuilt, he explained. Mr. Holdren seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Holdren moved to hire Robert Appleman as a full-time Correctional Officer at an hourly rate of \$13.87 effective July 22. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Hartman moved to hire Amy Hertzog as a Children & Youth Services Caseworker at an annual salary of \$24,000.00 effective July 15. Mr. Holdren seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Hartman moved to accept the resignation of Karen Cooper, Children & Youth Services Clerk/Typist, effective close of business July 26. Mr. Holdren seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn returned to the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

Mr. Hartman moved to affirm an unpaid medical leave request from Paige Bitting, Chief Deputy Coroner, for seven weeks beginning July 18. Mr. Holdren seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to affirm the hiring of Eamon Shoff as a part-time Deputy Coroner at \$10.00 per hour effective July 23. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Hartman moved to pay the following bills: General Account, \$229,083.10; Children & Youth, \$69,229.51; Liquid Fuels, \$49,121.60; Human and Community Service, \$1,054.95; Other Funds, \$18,499.04. 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