

April 4, 2019

The Columbia County Commissioners met on the above date at 2:00 PM in the Commissioners' Conference Room at the First Street Annex for a reorganizational meeting and following that meeting would be having their normal Commissioners meeting handling the transaction of routine business. In attendance were Commissioners Young, Ridgway, Kovach, Solicitor McDonald, Jean Lapinski, Treasurer Creveling, Marcie Strachko, Brian Pufnak, Jen Long, Phil Yoder, Beverly Lutcavage, Michelle Mordan, MJ Mahon, Ammon Young, Lydia Kegler, Christine Curley, Chrissy Bardo, and Patrick Derrickson.

A motion was made by Kovach and seconded by Ridgway to approve the minutes of the last meeting. The motion was unanimously passed.

There was a work session at 10:00 AM in the Commissioners Conference Room at the First Street Annex for the transaction of routine business. In attendance were Commissioner Young, Ridgway, Kovach, Solicitor McDonald, Chief Clerk Witchey, Sheriff Chamberlain, Treasurer Creveling, Marcie Strachko, Jean Lapinski, Brian Pufnak, Rachael Swartwood, Wade Mays, April Miller, Jen Long, and Phil Yoder. Marcie reviewed all of the personnel moves within the County, Jean updated the Commissioners on taxes collected and available cash and bills being paid for the period. The Sheriff discussed the drug return safe and where would be a proper place to have the safe located. It was determined that it will be placed in the Main Street Annex Building right next to the front entrance.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Register & Recorder – March Report:

\$25,890.20 was collected in commissions and fees  
\$1,488.00 was collected in Recorder Improvement Fund  
\$992.00 was collected in County Improvement Fund  
\$5,573.30 was collected in Affordable Housing Fund  
\$1,411.80 was collected in Remote Access Fee

Treasurer's March Report:

\$3,221.00 was collected in commissions

Sheriff – March Report:

Courthouse:

Total Visitors: 7,779

Total Alarms: 4,813

Confiscated Weapons:

Knives 73

Scissors 7

Utility 3

Razor 4

Mace 7

Guns 26

Misc 7

Annex:

Total Visitors: 5,690

Total Alarms: 5,021

Confiscated Weapons:

Knives 76

Scissors 4

Utility 6

Razor 0

Mace 4

Guns 5

Misc 2

Magistrates – February Report:

Bloomsburg: Cases 465  
Collected \$8,486.24

Berwick: Cases 343  
Collected \$6,410.29

Catawissa:	Cases	329
	Collected	\$5,773.68
Millville:	Cases	287
	Collected	\$5,269.11

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Public Safety Telecommunications Week Proclamation
- B. National Library Week Proclamation
- C. Week of the Young Child Celebration Proclamation
- D. Acknowledge Beverly Lutcavage for achieving her Advanced Certification as the Sugarloaf Township Emergency Management Coordinator

E. Approve the advertisement for the replacement of Bridge #86

Motion by Young and seconded by Kovach all approved

F. Approve the resolution for the Engaging Families in Greenways for Education, Health, and Recreation (Children's Museum Project)

Motion by Kovach and seconded by Ridgway all approved

G. Approve the exoneration of tax/cost/interest for the following properties:

Camper moved out of campground with no permit

- Parcel # 20-06-004-01,031 \$131.26
- Parcel# 20-06-004-01,050 \$67.54
- Parcel# 20-06-004-01,084 \$160.87

Owner address incorrect

- Parcel# 03-06-008-02,101 \$90.00

Motion by Kovach and seconded by Ridgway all approved

H. Approve the use of the 911 Center Parking Lot from 5:30 to 7:00PM on Wednesday May 1<sup>st</sup> for the Kiwanis Pet & Toy Parade

Motion by Ridgway and seconded by Kovach all approved

I. APPROVE THE FOLLOWING HIRES/STEP INCREASES/PROMOTIONS:

- Christopher Sobolesky, PT CO, Prison, Hire, 4/15/19
- Garret Curland, PT CO, Prison, Hire, 4/15/19
- Brendan Weaver, PT CO, Prison, Hire, 4/15/19
- Joseph Zook, PT CO, Prison, Hire, 4/15/19
- Caleb Kline, PT CO, Prison, Hire, 4/15/19
- Casey Flynn, PT CO, Prison, 6 month step, 4/4/19
- Derek Kane, PT CO, Prison, 6 month step, 4/4/19
- Ismael Castillo, PT CO, Prison, 6 month step, 4/22/19
- Kimberly O'Brien, PT CO, Prison, 6 month step, 4/22/19

Motion by Ridgway and seconded by Kovach all approved

J. APPROVE THE DATES OF THE FOLLOWING ELECTED OFFICIALS/COURT EMPLOYEE HIRES/STEP INCREASES/PROMOTIONS

Amy Hertzog, Conference Officer, DRO, Hire, 4/15/19  
Michelle Santor, Intake Clerk, DRO, 6 month step, 4/8/19

Motion by Kovach and seconded by Ridgway all approved

K. APPROVE THE DATES OF THE FOLLOWING RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS/RETIREMENTS:

Rachel Kusnerick, Conference Officer, DRO, Resignation, 4/15/19

Motion by Young and seconded by Kovach all approved

CORRESPONDENCE:

Coleman Environmental Engineering notified the Commissioners of their intent to submit an application to DEP to replace a deteriorated pipe under Upper Raven Road culvert #1.

Coleman Environmental Engineering notified the Commissioners of their intent to submit an application to DEP to replace a deteriorated pipe under Upper Raven Road culvert #2.

Coleman Environmental Engineering notified the Commissioners of their intent to submit an application to DEP to replace a degraded stacked stone culvert pipe under Elmdale Road.

Coleman Environmental Engineering notified the Commissioners of their intent to submit an application to DEP to replace a deteriorated pipe under Knouse Road.

Coleman Environmental Engineering notified the Commissioners of their intent to submit an application to DEP to replace a deteriorated pipe under Hallow Road.

The Department of Environmental Protection notified the Commissioners that they recommended regulatory amendments which may change the designated uses of certain water bodies within your municipality.

The U.S. District Court of Eastern District of New York notified the Commissioners of a settlement for Merchants that accepted of Visa and Mastercard since 2004.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Warrant requests for April 5<sup>th</sup> totaling \$327,877.84 with the exception of American Paper and Supply

Motion by Ridgway and seconded by Kovach all approved

Warrant requests to pay American Paper Supply \$1,025.25

Motion by Kovach and seconded by Young abstain by Ridgway motion passed

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Kovach and seconded by Ridgway. The motion passed.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
David J. Withey, Chief Clerk