

July 3, 2024

There was a Commissioners meeting at 2:00 PM in the Commissioners Conference Room at 700 Sawmill Road, Small Conference Room for the regular scheduled Commissioners meeting. In attendance were Commissioners Brewer, Karschner, Kovach, Chief Clerk Witchey, Marcie Strachko, Eric Boughner, Prothonotary Stroup, and Treasurer Creveling. Via zoom were the following individuals Alex Karpinski, Jenn Long, and MJ Mahon.

Commissioner Brewer called the meeting to order and asked that we stand and pledge the flag, he then called for the approval of the minutes of the prior meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Kovach, seconded by Commissioner Karschner; all approved; motion passes.

Commissioner Brewer then called for a report of the work session: There was a 10:00 work session held. In attendance were Commissioners Brewer, Karschner, and Kovach, Chief Clerk Witchey, Jean Lapinski, Eric Boughner, MJ Mahon, Marcie Strachko, Treasurer Creveling, and Prothonotary Stroup. Via Zoom were Jenn Long, Alex Karpinski, Sheriff Chamberlain, Eric Stahley, Denise LaBuda, and April Miller. Commissioner Brewer called the meeting to order and asked if anyone had anything to discuss that was on the agenda. With no one wanting to discuss any particular items the agenda was reviewed. The Commissioners reviewed items A thru D and then Marcie reviewed the hires steps and promotions for both the Commissioners and elected officials, then reviewed the resignation, retirements and terminations. Jean then reviewed available cash and bills after which the work session was adjourned.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Register & Recorder – June Report:

Total remitted to the County was \$25,944.71

Total business all sources was \$631,685.98

Number of Deeds recorded for June was 140

Number of Mortgages recorded for June was 153

Sheriff Revenue – June Report

Interest:	\$1,049.35
Civil	\$2,561.60
Lic To Carry	\$1,790.00
Lic to Sell Firearms	\$0.00
Lic to Sell Precious Metals	\$50.00
Personal Prop	\$2,111.00
Real Estate	\$1,483.22
Transports	\$0.00
Warrant	\$1,880.50
Total	\$10,865.67

Sheriff Screener – June Report

Courthouse:	
Visitors	6,351
Alarms	3,019
Weapons:	
Guns	5
Knives	23
Misc	12
Annex:	
Visitors	4,833
Alarms	2,001
Weapons:	
Guns	1
Knives	39
Misc	7

Treasurer – June Report:

County Commission \$2,712.00

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Approve the proposed increase of court appointed attorneys from \$75 per hour to \$100 per hour effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024

Motion by Commissioner Karschner and seconded by Commissioner Kovach; all approved

B. Approve the sale of eight (8) Sig Sauer p320 9mm handguns with 3 magazines, sale will be a sealed bid.

Motion by Commissioner Kovach and seconded by Commissioner Karschner; all approved

C. Approve a draft letter for the Children's Museum to withdraw from the previously supported DCNR's grant

Motion by Commissioner Kovach and seconded by Commissioner Brewer; all approved

D. Approve the exoneration of tax/cost/interest for a lease hold trailer which was sold or razed pursuant to Act 156

- Parcel # 11-06-006-03,339                      \$1,078.96

Approve exoneration of cost of for a property that did not receive their 2023 tax bill, the bill was sent to the old address

- Parcel # 05E-02-226-00,000                      \$75.00

Motion by Commissioner Kovach and seconded by Commissioner Karschner; all approved

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

- Michael Domanski, Sr. Certified Telecommunicator, ECEN, 9 yr step inc, 7/7/24
- Tracy Francioni, Sr. Certified Telecommunicator, ECEN, 9 yr step inc, 7/7/24
- Michelle Mordan, Sr. Certified Telecommunicator, ECEN, 9 yr step inc, 7/7/24
- Phil Yoder, Jr, Sr. Certified Telecommunicator, ECEN, 9 yr step inc, 7/7/24
- Alexander C. Smith, Tele. Trainee, ECEN, Hire, 7/7/24
- Franklin Kepner, III, Asst PD (PT), PD, ReHire, 7/8/24

Motion by Commissioner Kovach and seconded by Commissioner Brewer; all approved

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

- Barbara Warunek, Dir of Court Programs, Courts, 4 yr step inc, 06/10/24

Motion by Commissioner Kovach and seconded by Commissioner Karschner; all approved

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

- Gunner Treibley, FT CO, Jail, Resignation, 6/27/24

Motion by Commissioner Karschner and seconded by Commissioner Kovach; all approved

CORRESPONDANCE:

- Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection notified the Commissioners that Gilberton Coal Company has corrected its Permit, the correction included adding 14.0 acres for bonding and an update module 16: anthracite Blast Plan to the permit.
- Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection notified the Commissioners that Burnrite Coal Co. permit is for Reclamation Activities Only.
- FHLBank offered the County an Irrevocable Letter of Credit for \$16,500,000

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Approve the bills dated June 28, 2024 in the amount of \$419,940.41

Motion by Commissioner Karschner and seconded by Commissioner Kovach; all approved

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

AJOURN:

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Kovach seconded by Commissioner Karschner; motion passes.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
David J. Withey