

September 6, 2018

The Columbia County Commissioners met on the above date at 2:00 PM in the Commissioners' Conference Room at the First Street Annex for the transaction of routine business. In attendance were Commissioners Young, Ridgway, Kovach, Solicitor McDonald, Chief Clerk Witchey, Register & Recorder Lupini, Denise Siegel, Marcie Strachko, and Jean Lapinski.

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

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 Commissioners Young, Ridgway, Kovach, Solicitor McDonald, Chief Clerk Witchey, Wade Mays, Marcie Strachko, Rachael Swartwood, Eric Stahley, Jean Lapinski, Tim Murphy, April Miller, Denise Labuda, Denise Siegel, Alex Dubil, and Steve Campbell. Alex Dubil spoke about Centennial 'Bells of Peace' for Armistice Day on November 11th, 2018 and they would like to place a banner on the Courthouse and place a flag on our flag pole. Eric Stahley discussed the Emergency Watershed Protective grant which was utilized in 2011 for streambank restoration and protection. Marcie Strachko reviewed personnel actions. Denise Siegel notified the Commissioners that P. Sivukamar has paid their July Hotel Tax. Jean Lapinski reviewed bills and current cash. Rachael discussed the Recycling Grant that the County receives and also informed the Commissioners that DCED rejected about 1M of the Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant for Sekisui. Wade Mays discussed the bids received for the West Side of the Courthouse the winning bidder was Sokol for \$11,400. April Miller and Denise Labuda were in attendance due to personnel actions. Tim Murphy discussed his findings surrounding Clinton County's GIS Department regarding the Conservation District's use of the Dirt and Gravel Roads vs Growing Greener grant funds to identify and clean out the 'choke points' on the creeks. Commissioners then went into executive session to discuss matters that are not for public information.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Register & Recorder – August Report:

\$31,025.36 was collected in commissions and fees
\$1,983.00 was collected in Recorder Improvement Fund
\$1,322.00 was collected in County Improvement Fund
\$9,015.50 was collected in Affordable Housing Fund
\$1,547.92 was collected in Remote Access Fee

Treasurer's August Report:

\$4,061.00 was collected in commissions

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Approve Larson Design to seek bids for the emergency repairs for bridge #126, #148, and #157; bridge removal of destroyed bridges #136 and #137; and emergency repairs of the road to the dry dam and debris cleanup

Motion by Kovach and seconded by Ridgway all approved

- B. Approve the Sokol bid of \$11,480 to repave the western side of the Courthouse.

Motion by Kovach and seconded by Young all approved

- C. Approve the Halloween window-painting on the Courthouse Annex, payment will be made from the flower fund

Motion by Ridgway and seconded by Kovach all approved

- D. Approve the use of The Courthouse plaza, flagpole and building for the celebration of Armistice Day on 11-11-18.

Motion by Kovach and seconded by Ridgway all approved

- E. Approve the following exonerations:

Leasehold Campers/Trailers razed or moved without permit

- Parcel #19-06-002-00,029 \$319.05
- Parcel #20-06-004-01,121 \$395.19
- Parcel #20-04-017-03,030 \$640.01
- Parcel #04D-09-132-00,041 \$2,223.69

Property Sold at Sheriff's sale

- Parcel #05E-01-108-13,000 \$87.83

Property razed by fire

- Parcel #04A-04-117-00,000 \$177.67

Motion by Young and seconded by Ridgway all approved

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

Brian Williams, PT Telecommunicator, ECEN, Hire, 9/10/18
Margeret Hughes, Lieutenant, Prison, Hire, 9/11/18
Rebecca Savidge, Clerk Typist, CYS, Hire, 9/10/18
Jim Brown, Mechanic, Maintenance, 20 yr step increase, 9/16/18
Chase Raker, FT Corrections Officer, Prison, Promotion to FT, 9/16/18

Motion by Ridgway and seconded by Kovach all approved

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

Rachel Kusnerick, Conference Officer, DRO, Hire, 9/10/18
Jordan Rowe, Conference Officer, DRO, Hire, 9/10/18
Kelly Brewer, Clerk, Juvenile Probation, Hire, 9/10/18
Jodi Belles, Deputy Director, DRO, Promotion (Exempt), 9/2/18

Motion by Ridgway and seconded by Kovach all approved

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

Amy Diehl, Caseworker 2, CYS, Resignation, 9/4/18
Chad Haney, PT CO, Prison, Resignation, 8/17/18
Tyler Hornberger, Corrections Officer, Prison, Resignation, 9/14/18
James Higgins, PT Corrections Officer, Prison, Resignation, 9/9/18
Dylan Knorr, PT Corrections Officer, Prison, Resignation, 9/8/18
Paula Stellfox, LPN, Prison, Resignation, 9/7/18

Motion by Ridgway and seconded by Kovach all approved

CORRESPONDENCE:

Team Ag Inc. notified the Commissioners that a CAFO Permit Renewal has been submitted to DEP for their NPDES Permit

DCED notified the Commissioners that the West Street Church Apartment Project cannot be funded at this time.

PennDOT notified the Commissioners that they intend to submit for a NPDES permit to DEP for Site 38 Wastewater Treatment Plant to an unnamed tributary to Nescopeck Creek in Mifflin Township.

Nutec Design Associates, Inc. notified the Commissioners that Big Heart Pet Brands is submitting for its NPDES Permit to DEP. The project is for Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements.

DEP notified the Commissioners of a permit correction to application No. 19950101C15 to include Mallard Contracting Co, Inc. as an additional source of coal refuse.

MKA Mctish-Kunkel notified the Commissioners of the Bloomsburg School District's NPDES General Permit. The Commonwealth of Pa is petitioning to Transfer Jurisdiction for Building expansions and construction of a new parking lot, driveway and sidewalk/pedestrian areas.

THE Public Utility Commission is petitioning to transfer jurisdiction to court of common pleas to Columbia County regarding the matter the application of PennDOT approval to alter two public-at-grade crossings by installation of new active warning devise and by widening the highway on State Route 339 and State Route 2017.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Warrant requests for August 24th for \$335,376.14 and September 7th for \$629,909.21

Motion by Ridgway and seconded by Kovach all approved

Warrant requests to pay American Paper Supply for August 10th and September 7th totaling \$3,108.53

Motion by Kovach seconded by Young abstain by Ridgway motion passed

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

Attest: _____
David J. Withey, Chief Clerk