

December 3, 2020

The Columbia County Commissioners met on the above date at 2:00 PM in the Commissioners' Conference Room at 700 Sawmill Small Conference Room for a Commissioners meeting handling the transaction of routine business. In attendance were Commissioners Young, Ridgway, Kovach, Solicitor McDonald, Chief Clerk Witchey, Marcie Strachko, Treasurer Creveling, and Eric Boughner. All other attendees were online via zoom they are as follows Eric Stahley, Sheriff Chamberlain, Don Coleman, and Dan Knorr.

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 700 Sawmill Small Conference Room for the transaction of routine business. In attendance were Commissioners Young, Ridgway, Kovach, Solicitor McDonald, Chief Clerk Witchey, Marcie Strachko, Eric Boughner, and Harry Mathias. All other attendees were online via zoom they are as follows Eric Stahley, Jen Long, and Wade Mays, Don Coleman, Sheriff Chamberlain and Mike Lester. Harry started off the meeting by providing a summary of what was done with the CARES funding and stated that there is no new news. Jen provided a COVID-19 update with Dan Knorr that a media release was going out and that starting Monday December 7th Susquehanna Health would start testing 20 people per day. Jean reviewed bills and cash and the Act 148 that has not yet been paid by the state was discussed and it was confirmed that on around December 15th the state will be dispersing those funds to the County. The treasurer reviewed her report. The agenda was reviewed and then Solicitor McDonald asked that an executive session be held to discuss a pending lawsuit. To go out of executive session a motion was made by Kovach and seconded by Young. The meeting was then adjourned.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Treasurer – November Report:

\$1,002.00 was collected in Commissions

Sheriff – November Report:

Revenue:

Interest:	\$57.44
Civil	\$2,675.00
Lic To Carry	\$5,092.00
Lic to Sell Firearms	\$0.00
Lic to Sell Precious Metals	\$0.00
Personal Prop	\$383.00
Real Estate	\$2,155.46
Warrant	\$465.00
Total	\$10,827.90

Register & Recorder – November Report:

\$31,824.45 was collected in commissions and fees
\$2,109.00 was collected in Recorder Improvement Fund
\$1,406.00 was collected in County Improvement Fund
\$10,958.62 was collected in Affordable Housing Fund
\$2,167.69 was collected in Remote Access Fee

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Update on Covid-19

B. Update of the COVID-19 Cares Funding

C. Approve the transfer of the Fingerprinting (\$336,055.36) and Commissary (\$203,495.98) accounts from First Columbia to First Keystone

Motion made by Kovach and seconded by Ridgway; abstain by Young motion passes

D. Approve Columbia County Redevelopment Authority to administer the CDBG-CV 2020 Program which provides mortgage assistance to homeowners facing foreclosure

Motion made by Kovach and seconded by Young; all approved

E. Approve the appointment of Nicholas Whitbeck to the Columbia County Housing Authority and replace Doris Hines

Motion by Ridgway and seconded by Kovach; all approved

F. Approve the appointment of Nicholas Whitbeck to the Columbia County Redevelopment Authority and replace Doris Hines

Motion by Ridgway and seconded by Kovach; all approved

G. Approve the advertisement of the 2021 Commissioners Meeting Schedule

Motion made by Kovach and seconded by Ridgway; all approved

H. Approve the 2021 holiday schedule

Motion by Ridgway and seconded by Kovach; all approved

I. Approve the Pay Day schedule for County employees, of which 2021 is a 27 pay year

Motion by Ridgway and seconded by Kovach; all approved

J. Approve the SEDA-COG letter of support for their Economic Development Administration activities

Motion by Ridgway and seconded by Kovach; all approved

K. Acknowledgement of Jim Campbell and Heritage Acres for the donation of two wreaths for the Twin Bridges

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

- Brandon Delia, PT >30, Prison, Promotion, 11/24/2020

Motion by Ridgway and seconded by Kovach; all approved

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

- James Dalton, Deputy, Sheriff, Hire, 12/14/2020
- Barb Warunek, Program Director, Courts, 6 mo step inc, 12/11/2020

Motion by Ridgway and seconded by Kovach; all approved

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

- Martin Boudman, PT Deputy, Sheriff, 11/30/2020, Resignation

Motion made by Kovach and seconded by Ridgway; all approved

CORRESPONDENCE:

- The Pennsylvania Department of Health notified the Commissioners that our Non-Disclosure and Confidentiality Agreement that allowed for dissemination of COVID-19 individuals is no longer in effect due to the passing of Act 112 of 2020.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Request to pay bills for period of November 27th totaling \$3,104,940.47

Motion by Ridgway and seconded by Kovach; all approved

Request to pay American Paper for the period of November 27th totaling \$627.84

Motion by Kovach and seconded by Young; abstain by Ridgway; motion passes.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Ed Wenner said to thank you to Commissioner Young for raising his taxes.

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

Attest: _____
David J. Withey, Chief Clerk