

January 3, 2017

Office of the Elk County Commissioners  
Elk County, Ridgway, Pennsylvania

The regular meeting of the Elk County Commissioners was held on Tuesday, January 3, 2017 immediately following the Reorganizational Meeting of the Commissioners. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Those present were Commissioners Matthew G. Quesenberry, Daniel R. Freeburg, Solicitor Tom Wagner, Chief Clerk Jean Zore and Recording Secretary Chris Lilja. Also present were Sheriff Todd Caltagarone, Ernie Mattiuz and three members of the press. Commissioner Jan Kemmer was absent.

Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the Minutes of the December 28, 2016 meeting, seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.

Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the Agenda, seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.

#### NEW BUSINESS

1. Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve (retro) the following two (2) year contracts with Vision Benefits of America:
  - i. VBA#28 – original contract with no rate increase
  - ii. VBA#4183 (Buy-Up Vision) – new contract – Single – employee pays \$4.67/monthly  
Family – employee pays \$18.59/monthlyDan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
2. Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve five (5) Veteran Burial Allowances and five (5) Headstone Allowances for the Veteran Affairs Office. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

#### APPROVAL OF BILLS

Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the following bills:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 85,190.34
PAYROLL	\$234,320.42
LIQUID FUEL	\$ 30,000.00
RECYCLING CTR BLDG FUND	\$ 22,610.00
GAS WELL IMPACT FEE	\$ 2,795.00
2015 CDBG	\$ 31,160.00
HAZMAT	\$ 60.78
911 WIRELESS FUND	\$179,516.39
NTRTP	\$ 26,554.48

Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Pursuant to PA Act 14, the Borough of Ridgway will be submitting a permit renewal application for their water allocation permit from the PA DEP to continue to utilize water from the Big Mill Creek watershed.

Brockway Area Sewage Authority has applied to the PA DEP for issuance of a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit for Sewage Water Quality Management Part II Permit for sewage.

Domtar Paper Company, LLC notifies Elk County of its submittal of a plan approval application to PA DEP for the proposed economizer replacement on the Mill's Chemical Recovery Furnace.

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GOOD OF THE COUNTY

The Elk County Sheriff's Office was recently featured in The Pennsylvania Sheriff Magazine. Chief Deputy Tom Fullem spoke to those in attendance at the Ridgway Elks Flag Day ceremony.

The Board of Trustees of the Rural Regional College of Northern Pennsylvania (RRC) is in search of an administrative center. The RRC will create an affordable, accessible, and open-admission educational institution to serve the communities in northern PA. The administrative site will house some RRC administrative functions and require office space and access to technology. This site may provide access to classrooms, computer labs, video conferencing equipment and other technical laboratory spaces. The location of this space must be within the rural region of the nine-county delivery area of: Erie, Crawford, Warren, Venango, Forest, McKean, Potter, Elk and Cameron Counties. For more information contact Community Education Center of Elk/Cameron Counties, 4 Erie Ave., Suite 200, St. Mary's, PA 15857, Phone 814-781-3437 or [cec@communityedcenter.com](mailto:cec@communityedcenter.com).

Ernie Mattiuz informed the Commissioners of his appointment to the American Farm Bureau Council stating that he will be working closely with the County Courthouse in the near future.

Please continue to pray for our military personnel, our families and our children, their teachers, all elected officials and peace in the world.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS  
QUESTIONS FROM TAXPAYERS  
ADJOURN MEETING

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Matt Quesenberry and seconded by Dan Freeburg.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Clerk

Next Meeting  
Tuesday, January 17, 2017  
10 a.m. Conference Room No. 2  
Courthouse Annex Building