

April 4, 2017

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

The Elk County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at 10 a.m. in Conference Room No. 2 at the Courthouse Annex. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and Scripture Reading Mark 15:37-38. Those present were Commissioners Janis E. Kemmer, Chairperson, Matthew G. Quesenberry, Daniel R. Freeburg, Solicitor Tom Wagner, Chief Clerk Jean Zore and Recording Secretary Chris Lilja. Also present were Nancy Baker, Lee Neureiter and two (2) members of the press.

Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the Minutes of the March 21, 2017 meeting seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.

Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the Agenda with one correction: under Presentation, Planning Department will be rescheduled for the next Commissioners Meeting on April 18, 2017. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

Children & Youth Director Nancy Baker was presented with a Child Abuse Prevention Month Proclamation. Ms. Baker thanked the Commissioners and commented on the Purple Pin Wheels that have been placed on the grounds of the Courthouse and Annex Building to remind citizens of Child Abuse Prevention Month. She also said that Children & Youth Services is now on the Elk County website.

PComp Award – Chief Clerk Jean Zore was recognized by CCAP for her outstanding service with the County Workmen's Compensation Loss Control. Elk County has had the least Worker's Comp claims in the past year. The Commissioners thanked her for her diligence in this area.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve for the Elk County Probation Office:
FY 2017-2022 – Grant-In-Aid Funds Agreement
FY 2017-2022 – Supervision Funds Agreement
Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
2. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve a PAGO Grant for the Elk Country Visitor Center (KECA). Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
3. Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the Elk County Hotel/Room Tax Committee participation in a 2017 TV advertising co-op campaign with WJAC-TV. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
4. Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the use of the Courthouse steps on May 4, 2017 for National Day of Prayer. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
5. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the following people to serve as voting members of the Elk County Family Resource Network (FRN) Collaborative Board:
 - i. Ms. Cortney Pahel, Dickinson Center, Inc.
 - ii. Ms. Fritz Lecker, Rep. Gabler's Office
 - iii. Ms. Amanda Balon, Big Maple Farms Natural Therapies
 - iv. Ms. Amy Gerhart, Northern Tier Community Action GroupMatt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
6. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve a request for Exoneration of 2014,2015,2016 Millstone Township Per Capita Taxes for Gale Clark. Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
7. Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve fourteen (14) Veteran Burial Allowances, twelve (12) Widow Burial Allowances and thirteen (13) Headstone Allowances for the Veteran Affairs Office. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

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APPROVAL OF BILLS

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the following bills:

GENERAL FUND	\$149,632.78
PAYROLL	\$249,131.50
PHFA (PHARE GRANT)	\$ 350.00
HAZMAT	\$ 179.56
911 WIRELESS FUND	\$512,872.12
NTRTP	\$ 3,536.23

Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation filed an application with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), requesting approval of the construction of National Fuel's YM28 and FM120 Modernization Project in Cameron, Elk and McKean Counties.

SWEPI LP is submitting an application for coverage under the Erosion and Sediment Control General Permit for Earth Disturbance Associated with Oil & Gas Exploration, Production, Processing or Treatment Operations Facilities from APDEP. Project consists of constructing stormwater improvement BMP's for the existing Warrant 3781 Well Site in Highland Township, Elk County, PA.

GOOD OF THE COUNTY

There will be no electronics collection at the Recycling Center in St. Mary's in April, it is Easter.

The Elk County Recycling Center, 850 Washington Street, St. Mary's PA will hold an Open House on Thursday, April 13, 2017 from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

A Route 219 (Ridgway-Johnsonburg Road) bridge, which spans Powers Run at the south end of Johnsonburg, Elk County, is scheduled to be replaced as part of the PennDot Rapid Bridge Replacement Project. Construction is expected to begin during the week of April 10th and be completed in September 2017. During this time, drivers will utilize a temporary roadway around the bridge.

The spring Act 13 awards will be announced at the next meeting on April 18, 2017.

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 at 10:21 a.m. on a motion by Matt Quesenberry and seconded the Dan Freeburg.

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ATTEST: _____
Chief Clerk

Next Meeting
Tuesday, April 18, 2017
10 a.m. Conference Room No. 2
Courthouse Annex Building