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March 7, 2024

In Attendance: Rick Wilbur, Tom Henry, Ernie King (via phone), Commissioners,

Atty. Paul Litwin, Solicitor, Amber Franko, Chief Clerk

Press:

Kevin McConlogue, New Age Examiner, Warren Howeler, Rocket Courier (via Zoom)

Visitors:

John Alunni, Human Services Director

Rick Wilbur opened the Meeting at 10:01 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment (Agenda Items Only):

Commissioner Henry made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Chief Clerk Report-None

Solicitor Report-None

Rick Wilbur made a motion to approve the payment of the bills that were previously presented to the Commissioners and reviewed in their entirety. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur made a motion to approve to ratify emergency roof repairs to the 911 building. There was a water leak which was affecting the smoke detectors within the building. Rainbow International Restoration is the vendor making the repairs at a price quote of \$18,500.00. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry made a motion to use Act 13 funds for the emergency roof repair to the 911 building as this was a safety issue. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

There being no further business to come before the Commissioners at this time. Rick Wilbur made the Motion to adjourn. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur adjourned the meeting at 10:06 a.m.

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March 12, 2024

In Attendance: Rick Wilbur, Tom Henry, Ernie King, Commissioners,

Atty. Paul Litwin, Solicitor, Amber Franko, Chief Clerk

Press:

Kevin McConlogue, New Age Examiner, Warren Howeler, Rocket Courier (via Zoom)

Visitors:

John Alunni, Human Services Director, Nancy Aiello, Grandparents Raising

Grandchildren, 4-H Group

Rick Wilbur opened the Meeting at 10:01 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment (Agenda Items Only):

Rick Wilbur made a motion to add to the agenda, a Letter of Support for Overfield Township. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner King made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Tom Henry made a motion to approve the February 27, 2024, February 29, 2024 and March 7, 2024 meeting minutes. Ernie King second the motion. Motion carried.

New Business:

Chief Clerk Report-None

Solicitor Report-None

Rick Wilbur made a motion to send letters of support for federal grants for Health Family Partnership, CEO, Tunkhannock Sewer Authority and Overfield Township. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King made a motion to sign a Memorandum of Understanding for a storm water project at the Wyoming County Jail, with Tunkhannock Borough and Tunkhannock Sewer Authority. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King made a motion to proclaim March 17-23, 2024 as 4-H Week. Tom Henry read aloud the proclamation to a group of 4-H participants. Commissioner Henry also second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry made a motion to accept the resignation of CO Hastings from the Jail, effective March 16, 2024. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry made a motion to approve a service purchase contract with Community Solutions. This is an extension of an existing contract. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

Speaking on behalf of Grandparents Raising Grandchildren, Nancy Aiello updated the group that their meetings will now be held at the new Interfaith building in Tunkhannock. There is also a Grandparents Raising Grandchildren conference that will be held at the Woodlands on October 18, 2024 from 9:00am-3:00pm. More information to follow.

Rick Wilbur acknowledged the receipt of the Risk Control award from PComp to Wyoming County. This was awarded for having the lowest workman's compensation experience rating of all counties in the CCAP program.

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Mr. McConlogue inquired about the well that has gone bad in Mehoopany. The Commissioners stated that it is Trehab housing that is affected by this. Currently there are water tanks being brought in daily to supply the residents with clean water. There have been numerous attempts to clean the well but that has not ratified the issue. The solution will be to hook the housing facility up to Mehoopany's water system.

Mr. Howeler asked about the repainting job of the Courthouse. The Commissioners informed the group that there has been a meeting with a contracting group to get pricing on repainting and repairing any stucco on the outside of the Courthouse. Everything will stay historically accurate. Funding for this project will come from a RACP grant or ARP funds.

There being no further business to come before the Commissioners at this time. Ernie King made the Motion to adjourn. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur adjourned the meeting at 10:34 a.m.

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March 21, 2024

In Attendance: Rick Wilbur, Ernie King, Commissioners, Amber Franko, Chief Clerk

Press:

Bob Baker, New Age Examiner, Warren Howeler, Rocket Courier (via Zoom)

Visitors:

John Schultz & Nick Sulzer, Vosburg Neck State Park

Rick Wilbur opened the Meeting at 10:01 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment (Agenda Items Only):

Ernie King made a motion to add to the agenda, an approval of FMLA for a 911 Communications employee. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner King made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Chief Clerk Report-None

Solicitor Report-None

Ernie King made a motion to approve the payment of the bills that were previously presented to the Commissioners and reviewed in their entirety. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur made a motion to accept the FMLA leave for a 911 Communications employee from March 21, 2024 to June 13, 2024. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

There being no further business to come before the Commissioners at this time. Ernie King made the Motion to adjourn. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur adjourned the meeting at 10:09 a.m.

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March 26, 2024

In Attendance: Rick Wilbur, Tom Henry, Ernie King, Commissioners,

Atty. Paul Litwin, Solicitor, Amber Franko, Chief Clerk

Press:

Kevin McConlogue, New Age Examiner, Warren Howeler, Rocket Courier

Visitors:

Lynnelle Farber, Planning Director, Tim Carroll, Public Defender, Cain Chamberlin, Endless Mountains Heritage Region, Cathy Franko,

Karen Saunders & Amanda Marchegiani (via Zoom), Northeast Regional Cancer Institute

Rick Wilbur opened the Meeting at 10:12 a.m.

Public Comment (Agenda Items Only):

Ernie King made a motion to add the following items to the agenda:

- Discuss and approve authorizing Lynnelle Farber to sign the DCNR Wyoming County Seneca Park grant
- Discuss and approve adding Rick Wilbur to the Northern Tier Loan Committee
- Discuss and approve adding Tom Henry to the Northern Tier Rural Transportation Committee Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner King made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Tom Henry made a motion to approve the March 12, 2024 and March 21, 2024 meeting minutes. Ernie King second the motion. Motion carried.

New Business:

Chief Clerk Report-None

Solicitor Report-Requested an Executive Session regarding land developments.

Tom Henry made a motion to accept the resignations of CO Ryan and CO Fries from the Correctional Facility. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry made a motion to approve the promotion of Caitlyn Allaoui to Office Manager for the Public Defender/Planning offices, effective March 25, 2024. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry made a motion to authorize Atty, Paul Litwin, County Solicitor, to advertise the SALDO amendments which were developed by the Planning Commission, for public hearing. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry made a motion to approve the application for the Pcorp Loss Prevention Grant in the amount of \$30,000. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King made a motion to sign a resolution showing support for the National Heritage Area designation under the National Parks Service for the Endless Mountains Heritage Region. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried. Cain Chamberlin from EMHR was also present for any questions related to the designation.

Ernie King made a motion to sign a letter of support for a grant application for Wyoming County Healthcare Center for building improvements. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry made a motion to authorize Lynnelle Farber to sign the DCNR Wyoming County Seneca Park grant. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

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Ernie King made a motion to approve adding Tom Henry to the Northern Tier Rural Transportation Committee and Rick Wilbur to the Northern Tier Loan Committee. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King made a motion to proclaim March 28, 2024 as CASUAL Day in Wyoming County for support of Colon Cancer Awareness. Commissioner Henry read the proclamation which was received by members of the Northeast Regional Cancer Institute. Commissioner Henry also second the Motion. Motion carried.

The proclamation on the agenda for National Child Abuse Prevention Month was tabled until April 4, 2024.

The Commissioners recognized Cathy Franko, Executive Director of HANDS, for receiving a Northeast Business Journal Top 25 Women in Business Award.

Public Comment:

Atty. Paul Litwin called for an Executive Session at 10:46 a.m. No action taken following the Executive Session.

There being no further business to come before the Commissioners at this time. Ernie King made the Motion to adjourn. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur adjourned the meeting at 10:48 a.m.