

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

WORK SESSION - ZOOM AVAILABLE

April 7, 2022

In

Attendance: Rick Wilbur, Tom Henry, Ernie King, Commissioners, Linda Stacknick, Administrative Assistant

Press: (VIA ZOOM) Warren Howeler, Rocket Courier, Kevin McConlogue, New Age Examiner

Visitors: Jeff Porter, 911 Director, Frank Miller, Ben Norris, Matthew Schwartz, 911 Center

Rick Wilbur, Chairman opened the meeting at 10:30 a.m. following the Pledge of Alligence to the Flag

Rick Wilbur moved to amend the Agenda to add the paying of bills after review and the signing of the Proclamation for National Public Safety Communications Week. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry made the Motion to pay the bills after review. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to adopt a Proclamation designating the Month of April 2022 as National Public Safety Telecommunications Week. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Present for the Proclamation signing and picture were Jeff Porter, Frank Miller, Ben Norris, Matthew Schwartz.

Commissioner Henry asked the number of employees and Jeff Porter reported 11 full-time with 1 full-time traninee for a total of 12. Tom stated we have the greatest 911 Center.

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

Rick Wilbur, Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

RSW
Ernie King
Thomas Henry

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM AVAILABLE

April 12, 2022

In

Attendance: Rick Wilbur, Tom Henry, Ernie King, Commissioners, Paul Litwin, Solicitor,
Bill Gaylord, Chief Clerk

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

Visitors: Jackie Simmons, Wyoming Co. Special Needs, Howard Heise, C&Y,
Kelly Heatherman, C&Y

Rick Wilbur, Chairman opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Alligence to the Flag.

Tom Henry moved to amend the Agenda to include the Report on the Airport Visit. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King moved to approve the March 29, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes and the April 7, 2022 Work Session Minutes. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to adopt a Proclamation proclaiming April 2022 as Child Abuse Awareness Month in Wyoming County and urge all citizens to recognize this month by dedicating ourselves to the task of improving the quality of Life for all Children and Families. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to approve the hiring of Chris Faux, Conservation District, Ag Conservation Program Coordinator. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur, Chairman read a letter from Mehoopany Area Library Board of Directors Thanking Wyoming County for their Annual Donation.

Ernie King moved to approve and sign the Children & Youth Purchase Service Agreement with Chester County. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve the hiring of Caitlyn Traver, Administrator Assistant, split time between Planning Office and Public Defender Office, effective April 19, 2022. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to approve a Letter Supporting the PA Outdoor Veteran's Retreat Center located in Leighton, to obtain State Funding. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King moved to approve sponsoring Agriculture Awareness Trail for one week each at both Tunkhannock and Lackawanna Trail School Districts. Cost: \$4,500.00 - Funding through Covid ARP or Act 13. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve and sign all Bank Account Documents signature pages and add Amber Franko, Deputy Chief Clerk to the accounts. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Executive Session held from 10:40 a.m. to 10:43 a.m. No Action taken following meeting.

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

Rick Wilbur, Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:43 a.m.

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Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM MEETING - WORK SESSION

April 21, 2022

In

Attendance: Rick Wilbur, Ernie King, Tom Henry, Commissioners, Bill Gaylord, Chief Clerk

Press: VIA ZOOM –Warren Howeler, Rocket Courier, IN PERSON - Kevin McConlogue, New Age Examiner;

Visitors: ZOOM ONLY – Leslie Cadden, Rep. Boback Office

Rick Wilbur, Chairman called the Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Alligence to the Flag.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve the Bills, pending review by all three Commissioners. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried. .

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, Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

WSTW
Ernie King
Ernie King

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM AVAILABLE

April 26, 2022

In

Attendance: Rick Wilbur, Tom Henry, Ernie King, Commissioners, Paul Litwin, Solicitor,
Bill Gaylord, Chief Clerk

Press: Warren Howeler, Rocket Courier, Kevin McConlogue, New Age Examiner, Rick Hiduk,
Endless Mountain Lifestyle

Visitors: None

Rick Wilbur, Chairman opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Tom Henry moved to approve the April 12, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes and the April 21, 2022 Work Session Minutes. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to amend the Agenda to include the May 14, 2022 Electronic Recycling Event. Registration is needed. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to accept the resignation and retirement of Laura Hazenzahl effective April 29, 2022 and Joe Viadella when his paperwork is submitted. Juvenile positions will not be filled at this time. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

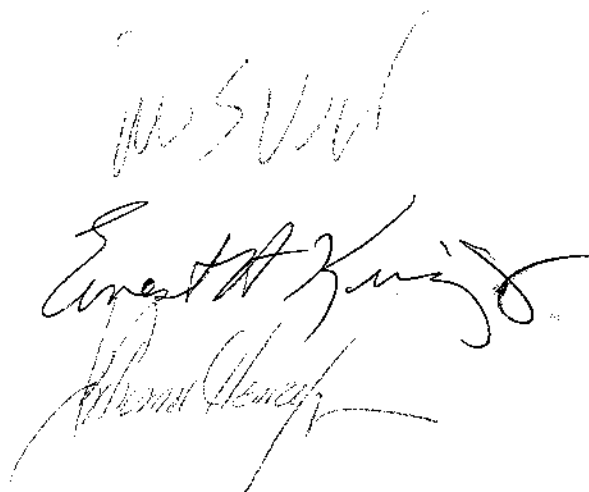
Rick Wilbur moved to approve Family Medical Leave for Kaitlyn Mitchell for 12 weeks. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to approve and submit the PCORP Loss Control Grant in the amount of \$20,000.00. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King moved to approve and sign the Children & Youth Purchase Service Agreements as presented. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

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

Rick Wilbur, Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:50 a.m.



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Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM MEETING - WORK SESSION

April 28, 2022

In

Attendance: Rick Wilbur, Ernie King, Tom Henry, Commissioners, Bill Gaylord, Chief Clerk

Press: Kevin McConlogue, New Age Examiner;

Visitors: None

Rick Wilbur, Chairman called the Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Alligence to the Flag.

Ernie King moved to recognize May 5, 2022 as National Day of Prayer in Wyoming County. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King moved to approve the bills as presented. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve and move forward with the Second Round of the County Employee Buy-out. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried. Other buy-outs will proceed as needed.

Rick Wilbur report the PA House has unaminiously approved the sale of the Department of Agriculture Building to the County for \$125,000.00 and now moves on to a Senate Vote.

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

Rick Wilbur, Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

Ernie King
Ernie King
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Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM MEETING - WORK SESSION

May 5, 2022

In

Attendance: Rick Wilbur, Ernie King, Commissioners, Bill Gaylord, Chief Clerk

Press: (VIA ZOOM) Kevin McConlogue, New Age Examiner; Warren Howeler, Rocket

Visitors: None

Rick Wilbur, Chairman called the Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve the bills as presented pending review by Rick Wilbur. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

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

Rick Wilbur, Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

W. Wilbur
Ernie King
Bill Gaylord

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM AVAILABLE

May 10, 2022

In

Attendance: Rick Wilbur, Tom Henry, Ernie King, Commissioners, Bill Gaylord, Chief Clerk, (VIA ZOOM) Paul Litwin, Solicitor,

Press: (VIA ZOOM) Warren Howeler, Rocket Courier, Rick Hiduk, Endless Mountain Lifestyle, (IN PERSON) Kevin McConlogue, New Age Examiner

Visitors: Tammy Jenkins

Rick Wilbur, Chairman opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. and then moved the meeting start at 10:30 a.m. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King moved to approve the April 26, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes and the April 28, 2022 and the May 5, 2022 Work Session Meeting Minutes. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King moved to adopt a Proclamation proclaiming the Month of May 2022, Mental Health Awareness Month in Wyoming County. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Present for the Proclamation signing and picture were Tara Fox MH/DS; Donald Houland and Jessica Burke, The Burke Center; Ramee Smith, MH/DS; Cheryl Farlay, MHDS; Mike Hopkins, Children Service Center.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve the upgrading of the delinquent Management Software Programs to replace old and antiquated system to make us more efficient. Cost \$75,450.00 to be taken out of Act 13 Funds, with an annual maintenance cost of \$12,500.00. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve and sign the Avana International Consulting Service Contract. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to accept Milnes Engineering as our engineer at record for the Community Block Grant Program. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

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, Chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

W S Wilbur
Ernie King
Thomas King

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM MEETING - WORK SESSION

May 19, 2022

In

Attendance: Tom Henry, Ernie King, Commissioners, Bill Gaylord, Chief Clerk

Press: Kevin McConlogue, New Age Examiner; (VIA ZOOM) Warren Howeler, Rocket

Visitors: None

Tom Henry, Vice-Chairman called the Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Ernie King moved to approve the bills as presented. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to Temporary Close County Bridge #4 on Center Brides Drive as per recommended by the County Bridge Engineer, Labella. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

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

Rick Wilbur, Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

W S W T
Ernie King

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM AVAILABLE

May 24, 2022

In

Attendance: Rick Wilbur, Tom Henry, Ernie King, Commissioners, Paul Litwin, Solicitor, Bill Gaylord, Chief Clerk,

Press: (VIA ZOOM) Warren Howeler, Rocket Courier, (IN PERSON) Rick Hiduk, Endless Mountain Lifestyle, Kevin McConlogue, New Age Examiner

Visitors: Jeff Porter, 911 Director, Elaine Howell, Nancy Walter and Mary Macarchick, Daughters of American Revolution.

Rick Wilbur, Chairman opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Rick Wilbur moved to amend the Agenda to include Ben Hall's Resignation and the Letter of Consent for the Daughters of the American Revolution. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve and sign an Agreement with SEIU waiving Timeliness for Binding Arbitration. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to close and abandon County Bridge #2 on Lockville Road. This is due to the Exeter Twp. Supervisors not repairing the road on Lackville. Ernie King second the Motion. Rick Wilbur abstained as he has tried to get the Bridge opened. Motion carried. Bridge #2 will be taken down.

Ernie King moved to approve the bills, pending review by Rick Wilbur. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to proclaim May 21, 2022 as Nancy Hopkin's Day in Wyoming County to celebrate her retirement after 27 years of dedicated service as Exeter Township Secretary. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to temporarily close County Bridge #4 on Brides Drive, as recommend by our County Bridge Engineer – Labela. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to promote Matthew Schwartz from Tele-Communicator Trainee to Tele-Communicator I, effective May 21, 2022. Matthew has completed all required certifications. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to accept the offer of Brad Killian, Tele-Communicator to accept a pay reduction of \$3.09 per hour to no longer be involved in Training new employees. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to approve and submit the PCORP Grant in the amount of \$30,000 for various projects. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried. The Commissioners thanked Lori Gaydos for her work on the Grant.

Tom Henry moved to sign a Letter to Peoples Security Bank and Penn East Credit Union, that the County is aware of the plan to refinance the private loan for the new Keystone College Fieldhouse to a Commercial Loan. Penn East require a junior lien position at the same terms as the private loan and nothing change for the County. Ernie King second the Motion. Rick Wilbur abstained due to his role as Trustee of Keystone. Motion carried.

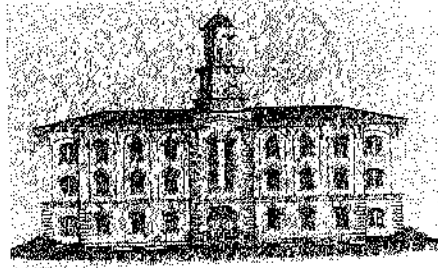
Tom Henry moved to approve and sign the Children & Youth Purchase Service Agreement with Chester County. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve FMLA Leave request for Mardell Moore. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Richard Wilbur
Chairman

Thomas S. Henry

Ernest A. King, Jr.



William Gaylord
Chief Clerk

Anthony P. Litwin III
Solicitor

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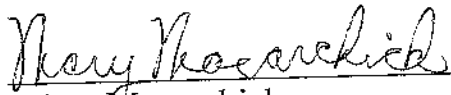
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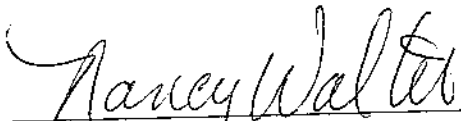
TO: Daughters of American Revolution

We the Commissioners of Wyoming County have given approval for the Daughters of American Revolution to install a Granite Monument on the property designated at the Wyoming County Courthouse.

Signed this 24th day of May, 2022.


Daughters of American Revolution

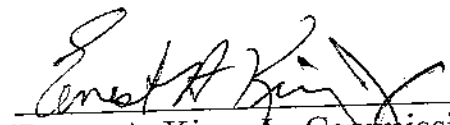

Mary Macarchick


Nancy Walter

Wyoming County Commissioners


Richard Wilbur, Chairman


Thomas S. Henry, Commissioner


Ernest A. King, Jr. Commissioner

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM MEETING - WORK SESSION

May 26, 2022

In

Attendance: Rick Wilbur, Tom Henry, (VIA PHONE) Ernie King, Commissioners, Bill Gaylord, Chief Clerk, (VIA ZOOM) Paul Litwin, Solicitor, Bill Gaylord, Chief Clerk

Press: Kevin McConlogue, New Age Examiner; (VIA ZOOM) Warren Howeler, Rocket

Visitors: None

Rick Wilbur, Chairman called the Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

The Commissioners reported having discussions and meetings with a few hospitals who may be interested in Tyler Hospital. Talks continue along with a group of local businesses and people who were involved in Tyler.

The Commissioners agreed to put up one million dollars from the ARP Fund, if necessary to help with the purchase of Tyler. Rick Wilbur moved to approve the one million dollars from ARD funds, if needed. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

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, Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

Ernie King
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Thomas

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM MEETING

June 7, 2022

In

Attendance: Rick Wilbur, Tom Henry, Ernie King, Commissioners, Paul Litwin, Solicitor,
Bill Gaylord, Chief Clerk

Press: Warren Howeler, Rocket Courier, (VIA ZOOM), Kevin McConlogue, New Age Examiner;
Rick Hiduk, Endless Mountain Lifestyle

Visitors: John Alunni, Wyoming County Human Services Director, Tara Fox, Mental Health
Luzerne/Wyoming County

Rick Wilbur, Chairman opened the Meeting at 10:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegence to the Flag.

Ernie King moved to approve the May 24, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes and the May 26, 2022 Work Session Meeting Minutes. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

The Commissioners approved and amended to the Agenda adding the Prison Report updating on Boarding. Rick Wilbur moved to approve. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to approve Labella Engineering to study the feasibility of replacing County Bridge #4 on Brides Drive in Falls Twp. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King moved to adopt a Proclamation proclaiming June 7, 2022 to be recognized as Irene "Queenie" Ciprich Day in Wyoming County and Congratulate Irene on the Celebration of her 100th Birthday, as well as Thank her for preserving our past generations for our future generations. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King moved to adopt a Proclamation proclaiming that June 7, 2022 to be recognized as Bertha "BB" Colodny Day in Wyoming County and Congratulate Bertha on the celebration of her 100th Birthday as well as Thank her for preserving our past generations for our future generations. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to adopt a Proclamation proclaiming June 6th to June 10th, 2022 as Child Welfare Professionals Appreciation Week in Wyoming County and recognize the Staff of Children & Youth for their dedicated efforts in protection of the Children of Wyoming County. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried. The Children & Youth Staff were present for the Proclamation signing and picture.

Tom Henry presented an Award to Carl Charmetski for his dedicated service to the Luzerne/Wyoming County Mental Health Board for over 11 years.

Tom Henry moved to approve a Contract with Triquard for a New Fire Alarm System at the County Prison; Cost \$63,000.00. Triquard is a Co-Star vender. Rich Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to approve a donation to the Meshoppen Cat Rescue in the amount of \$1,000.00. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion Carried.

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

Rick Wilbur, Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

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Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

WORK SESSION MEETING

June 2, 2022

In

Attendance: Rick Wilbur, Ernie King, Commissioners, Paul Litwin, Solicitor, Bill Gaylord, Chief Clerk

Press: Warren Howeler, Rocket Courier, (VIA ZOOM), Kevin McConlogue, New Age Examiner.

Visitors: None

Rick Wilbur, Chairman called the Meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Ernie King moved to approve the bills as presented. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

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, Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

W. S. King
Ernie King
James King

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM MEETING

June 21, 2022

In

Attendance: Rick Wilbur, Tom Henry, Ernie King, Commissioners, Paul Litwin, Solicitor,
Bill Gaylord, Chief Clerk

Press: Warren Howeler, Rocket Courier, Kevin McConlogue, New Age Examiner;
Rick Hiduk, Endless Mountain Lifestyle

Visitors: Linda Coolbaugh

Rick Wilbur, Chairman opened the Meeting at 10:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegence to the Flag.

Ernie King moved to approve the June 2, 2022 Work Session minutes and the June 7, 2022 regular Meeting minutes. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to approve the bills that were paid on Friday. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur reported the Dept. of Agriculture Building purchase has passed the House and Senate awaiting approval paperwork to go to closing.

Senaca Park back to be run by the County was tabled.

The Commissioners accepted the resignation of Elizabeth Foster as Wyoming County Court Reporter.

Tom Henry moved to approve Carla Diorio, part-time to fill Court reporter position until a replacement is found, position includes No Benefits. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

The Commissioners approved reducing the original Tunkhannock Business & Professional Association Grant for exhibit materials from \$14,750.00 to \$7,125.00 and approve additional \$5,000.00 for event marketing.

Rick Wilbur moved to send a Letter to Senator Baker and Rep. Bobeck urging increase funding for the County Mental Health System in FY 2022-2023 State Budget. This is a top priority for CCAP and the Wyoming County Commissioners due to budget cuts in the past. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

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

Rick Wilbur, Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

Rick Wilbur
Thomas Henry
Ernie King

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

WORK SESSION MEETING

June 30, 2022

In

Attendance: Rick Wilbur, Ernie King, Commissioners, Paul Litwin, Solicitor, Bill Gaylord, Chief Clerk

Press: Warren Howeler, Rocket Courier, (VIA ZOOM), Kevin McConlogue, New Age Examiner.

Visitors: None

Rick Wilbur made the Motion to add the following to the Agenda: Pay bills, Bid on Exit Doors, Donation to WCMS.

Rick Wilbur asked Steven Henning, who is going for his Boy Scout Communication Badge to lead off with the Pledge of Alligence to the Flag.

Steven Henning who is going for the Boy Scout Communication Badge was present with his Mother, Beckie Henning.

Steven needed to attend a Commissioners Meeting to obtain notes and the process at the meeting to help in obtaining his Boy Scout Badge.

Ernie King moved to approve the bills as presented. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

The Commissioners discussed the Courthouse Exit Door and the bidding process and specs to replace the Door.

Rick Wilbur moved to make a donation of \$1,200 to WCMA for CDL report Training for the Twp/Borough Secretaries and Municipal Assistants, funding from Act 13. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur also moved to allow WCMA to make this training available to surrounding counties at a fee, with the fee to be kept by their Association. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

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, Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

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Thomas Henning
Ernie King