



Wyoming County Commissioners

2022 Meeting

Minutes

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM AVAILABLE

January 4, 2022

In

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

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

Visitors: Patricia Mead, Treasurer

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

Ernie King moved to approve the December 21, 2021 Regular Meeting minutes and the December 30, 2021 Work Session minutes. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

The Commissioner's discussed the Covid Additional Sick Leave Policy. Action will be taken at Thursday Work Session.

Lackawanna Trail School District RACP Grant was discussed and approved several months ago. Lackawanna County will be involved and has someone on shift that will handled the reported papwerwork for both Counties.

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 10:25 p.m.

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Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

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January 6, 2022

In

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

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

Visitors: None

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

Rick Wilbur moved to amend the Agenda to include Resolution for DCED and approve RACP Lackawanna Trail Grant. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King moved to approve and adopt a New Covid Sick Leave Policy and follow CDC Guidelines. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King moved to authorize the Chairman to sign the DCED Documents for the Nicholson Housing Project. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

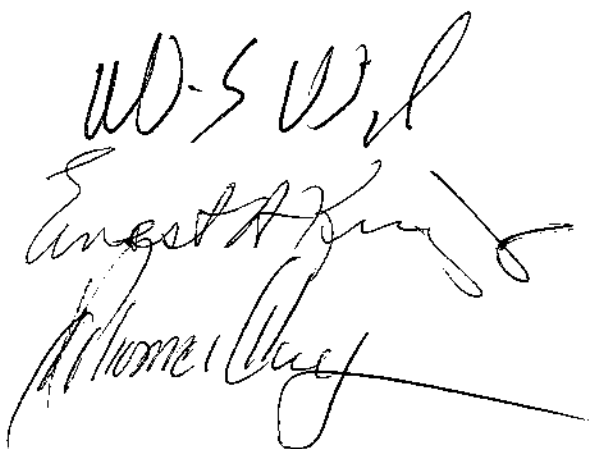
Tom Henry moved to Adopt a Resolution, authorizing the Chairman to sign, objecting to the Redistricting of the Legislative Area. Wyoming County would go from 117 to House District 110 and would lose House Rep. Karen Boback. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to accept and approve the RACP Grant for Lackawanna Trail School Project, in the amount of \$500,000.00. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to approve the HMCP Hazard Mitigation Planning Grant; Addendum #2 authorizing Chairman to sign and designate David Carichner, EMA Deputy Director as Agent. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

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 10:30 p.m.



Handwritten signatures of Rick Wilbur, Ernest A. King, and Thomas Gaylord.

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

WORK SESSION

ZOOM AVAILABLE

January 13, 2022

In

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

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

Visitors: Sharon Borgia, People Security Bank, Pattie Mead, County Treasurer

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

The Commissioners approved and signed all the Tax and Revenue Anticipation Note Documents presented by Sharon Borgia, People Security Bank; Loan amount \$2,200,000.00 at .69%.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve a Cooperation Agreement by and between Wyoming County Trehab for Development and Affordable Housing CDBG – DR Funding, Bridgeview Common Project. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to Ratify the Electronic Submission of the CDBG Documents. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve the start of the Engineering and Design for the Bridgeview Common Project. 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 10:20 a.m.

Tom Henry
W S Wilbur
Ernie King

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

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January 18, 2022

In

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

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

Visitors: Chas Mead, 911 Addressing Coordinator, Erica Rogler, DietrichTheater, Dellalna Didvisalzo, Tunkhannock Library

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

Tom Henry moved to amend the Agenda to include Eagle View Pictometry. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to approve the January 4th, January 6th and January 13th, 2022 Regular and Work Session Meeting minutes. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

The December 21, 2021 Salary Board Minutes were also approved.

Tom Henry moved to Adopt a Proclamation for Wyoming County Reads: One County, Two Books, Two Movies. We encourage all residents of the County to take advantage of this opportunity to join Friends and Neighbors in learning more about the intricacies of these acclaimed novels and movies by reading and discussing the Books, watching and discussing the Movies and enriching their lives. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

The Commissioners recognized 11 voters who have voted in 50 General Elections in a Row since 1971. The list of these voters is attached to these minutes.

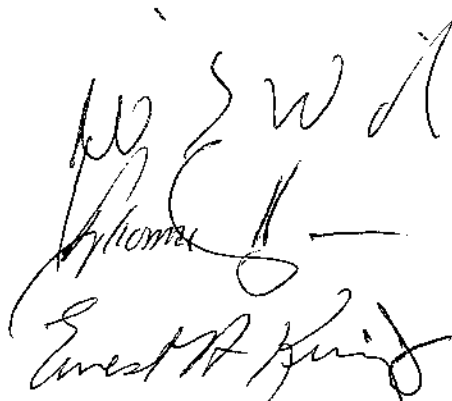
Tom Henry moved to reappoint William Earnshaw to the Wyoming County Airport Authority. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Chas Mead, 911 Addressing Coordinator updated the Commissioners on the Eagle View GIS Project. Six Year Project, Act 13 Funding.

Executive Session at 10:50 a.m. No Action taken following Meeting.

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 10:55 p.m.



Handwritten signatures of Rick Wilbur, Tom Henry, and Ernest A. King.

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Recognize the following 11 voters who have voted in 50 General Elections in a row since 1971. Certificates applauding them for this achievement have been mailed to them.

William		Geary	Jr	342 Post Hill Rd	Falls
Wayne		Wikoski		148 Triangle Rd	Meshoppen
Sandra		Goodwin		1327 Plattsburg Rd	Monroe Township
Donald	Allen	Stanton		3500 SR 92N	Nicholson
Barbara	A	Swingle		129 Reesa Ln	Nicholson
Catherine	J	McCormack		3517 SR 29 S	Noxen
Enola		Hawk		2208 Whites Ferry Rd	Factoryville
Robert	K	Robinson		68 E Harrison St	Tunkhannock
Evelyn	M	Lewis		10 Thunderbird Trl	Tunkhannock
Dale	F	Shupp		540 SR 92 N	Tunkhannock
Beth		Bartels		117 Ellsworth Hill Rd	Meshoppen

- Hearing Visitors/Public Comment
- Adjournment

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WORK SESSION

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January 27, 2022

In

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

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

Visitors: None

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

Tom Henry moved to approve the bills as presented. 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 10:05 a.m.

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Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM AVAILABLE

February 1, 2022

In

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

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

Visitors: Jeff Porter, 911 Director

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

Tom Henry moved to approve the January 18,2022 regular Meeting minutes and the January 27, 2022 Work Session Minutes. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King moved to approve the bills as presented. Tom Henry second the Motion. Rick Wilbur abstained , will review all bills later. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to Adopt Resolution setting a Late Filing Fee for Delinquent Taxes sent in by Tax Collectors. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Jeff Porter, 911 Director presented a Contract Renewal from AMP for 911 Radio and Tower Service, paid by Wireless Funding. Tom Henry moved to approve. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King moved to approve the following \$5,000.00 Legacy Fund Grants:

Community Center at Mehoopany, Playground equipment
 Monroe Twp. – Community Park Design, Construction
 Eaton Twp – Improvements Seneca Trail Park
 Factoryville Boro – Trail Surface Improvements at Christy Mathewson Park
 Moose Lodge – Marketing and setup Lake Carey Loop Triathlon

Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to approve a Labella invoice for the Streby Plan Review amount \$1,040.00. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

Jerry Beauchene asked about the Sand Transfer Site on RT 9250. The Commissioners explained this is regulated by Federal Government Surface Transportation Board, not the County or Township.

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 10:40 p.m.

Ernie A King
W. S. W. A.
Thomas Henry

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM AVAILABLE

February 15, 2022

In

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

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

Visitors: Mike Rogers, Recycling Coordinator, Bob Roberts, Sheriff, Elaine Wall, Judy Shupp, Nancy Thaler

Rick Wilbur, Chairman called the Meeting at 10:10 a.m. following the Prison Board Meeting.

Tom Henry moved to approve the February 1, 2022 Meeting Minutes and February 24, 2022 Work Session Minutes. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

The Commissioners amended the Agenda to include the Electronic Recycling Event.

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

Tom Henry moved to approve and sign the Grant for Violence Against Women through the District Attorney's Office. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to Adopt Resolution setting a Late Filing Fee for Delinquent Taxes sent in by Tax Collectors. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve and sign Adoption Agreement for a boy and girl as presented. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

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

Rick Wilbur moved on ending the mask and visitors restrictions at all County Buildings effective today, but suggests to continue to make appointments, but it is not needed. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur also moved to repeal the Resolution that was adopted to self mask and visitor restriction in place. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King moved to approve an increase of \$75.00 a month for storage area at Hollowcrest. County was getting it free. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to approve the Courthouse Alarm System upgrade with Triguard, cost \$9,868.00, funding through PCORP Grant. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to adopt a Proclamation, proclaiming that February 9, 2022 be recognized as Doris Holdren Preston Day in Wyoming County. We would like to congratulate Doris on the celebration at her 90th Birthday, as well as thank her for preserving our past generations for our future generations.

Tom Henry moved to Adopt a Proclamation, proclaiming that February 17, 2022 be recognized as Elva Veety Day in Wyoming County. We would like to Congratulate Elva on the Celebration of her 100th Birthday as well as thank her for preserving our past generation for our future generations. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Mike Rogers, Recycling Coordinator updated the Commissioners on the next Electronic Recycling Event Schedule for May 14, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Pre-Registration will be required, deadline April 29, 2022 to register.

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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 10:55 p.m.

W S Wilbur
Ernie King
Tom Henry

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

WORK SESSION

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February 24, 2022

In

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

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

Visitors: None

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

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

The Commissioners setup a Salary Board for Thursday, March 3, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. to address various Departments.

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. Wilbur
Ernie A. King
Thomas Henry

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

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March 1, 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: Jeff Porter, 911 Director

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 February 15, 2022 and February 24, 2022 Meeting minutes. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

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

Tom Henry moved to Amend the Agenda to add the 911 Advisory Board Appointment. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King moved to approve and sign the designation of Agent Resolution to change the designated Agent from Gene Dziak to Tom Henry for future PEMA correspondence. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to approve and sign the Purchase Service Contract with Trehab. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King moved to approve and sign the Agreement with the Commission on Economic Opportunity (CEO) to provide Homeless Assistance Cash Management and Rental Assistance Services to eligible Wyoming County residents. This is funded through the Department of Public Welfare as a percentage of program costs and no cost to Wyoming County. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to accept the resignation of Jessica Coolbaugh, Secretary between the Public Defender and Planning Office effective March 4, 2022. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

The Commissioners Congratulated Jeff Porter, 911 Director on his appointment by Gov. Wolf to the 911 Advisory Board.

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.

Ernie King
W. Henry
Thomas Glenshaw

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

WORK SESSION

ZOOM AVAILABLE

March 3, 2022

In

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

Press: (By Zoom) Kevin McConlogue, New Age Examiner, Warren Howeler, Rocket Courier

Visitors: None

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

Rick Wilbur moved to proceed with the Early Buyout for County Employees starting with Stage 1 , Juvenile Probation employees. Letter sent to Unon for their review. 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 10:20 a.m.

Ernie King
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Thomas Clancy

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

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March 15, 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.

Ernie King moved to approve the March 1, 2022 Regular Meeting minutes and the March 3, 2022 Work Session Meeting. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve the bills following review. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve a letter supporting the Endless Mountain Heritage Region Grant Application for \$502,000.00 which is the main source of financial support for their organization on a annual basis. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to approve a Letter to all County Departments concerning fuel conservation due to the high gas prices. All Departments using County vehicles will reduce the use to only when needed. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

The Commissioners reported that this year CDBG is in the amount of \$242,745.00 and will be administered by Trehab.

Public Comment:

Jackie Simmons, Executive Director, Wyoming County Special Needs, as to the Covid Relief funds and the time line on spending the funds. Jackie also asked the Wyoming County Special Needs be put on a list for any funding.

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.

Handwritten signatures of Rick Wilbur, Tom Henry, and Ernie King.

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM AVAILABLE

March 24, 2022

In

Attendance: Rick Wilbur, Tom Henry, Ernie King (VIA PHONE), 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.

Rick Wilbur moved to include the following Actions:

- *Approve the current bills to be paid.
- *Discuss and possible approval of the Purchase of the State Ag. Building on Rt 92 South, Tunkhannock, PA.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve the bills as presented and reviewed. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur, Chairman gave an update on the purchase of the State Dept. Ag. Building on Rt 92 South, Tunkhannock. The State has accepted the Counter Offer of \$125,000.00. The Appraisal price was set at \$305,000.00 which the County would not accept. The next step is the State House will have to vote next week to approve the sale. Rick Wilbur moved to accept and approve the purchase of the State Dept Ag. Building at \$125,000.00 with the State House approval. 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. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

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

Ernie King

*Ernest A King
Attorney & Clerk*

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM AVAILABLE

March 29, 2022

In

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

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

Visitors: Jeff Porter, 911 Director, Amanda Marchegiani, Northeast Regional Cancer Institute

Rick Wilbur, Chairman opened the meeting at 10:10 a.m. following the Wyoming County Prison Board

Tom Henry moved to approve the March 15, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes and the March 24, 2022 Work Session Minutes. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to adopt a Proclamation designating the Month of March 2022 as Colon Cancer Awareness Month and March 31, 2022 as C.A.S.U.A.L. Day in Wyoming County. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Present for the Proclamation signing and picture was Amanda Marchegian from the Northeast Regional Cancer Institute.

Ernie King moved to adopt a Proclamation in support of the PA Underground Utility Line Protection Law and hereby Proclaim April 2022 as PA 811 State Digging Month. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Jeff Porter, 911 Director discussed the Outstanding Performance and Review Policy. Rick Wilbur moved to approve the policy as presented. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve and sign the PEMA Contract Release of Annual Funding. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Keystone College requested to release a portion of Keystone's Property from the County's Mortgage Lien to allow Keystone to transfer the property to Lackawanna County as it is needed for a Bridge restoration/reconstruction project. Tom Henry moved to approve. Ernie King second the Motion. Rick Wilbur abstained because he sits on the Keystone Board. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to amend the Agenda to add the 911 Outstanding Performance Policy and the Hazardous Material Contract. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to approve and sign the Hazardous Material Response Contract. 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 10:50 a.m.

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Ernie King
Thomas Henry