

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM MEETING

July 5, 2022

In

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

Press: Bob Baker, New Age Examiner; Rick Hiduk, Endless Mountain Lifestyle,
(Via Zoom) Warren Howeler, Rocket Courier

Visitors: R.V. Martin, Terri McCloskey

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 June 21, 2022 regular Meeting minutes and the June 30, 2022 Worksession minutes. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

R.V. Martin updated the Commissioners on the September 18, 2022, Lake Carey Triathlon proceeds will support the Ralph B. Martin Scholarship for Tunkhannock and Towanda Schol District.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve a Letter to Anthony Camillocci, Director PEMA Eastern Office appointing Ralph Schwartz as our new Wyoming County Emergency Management Coordinator. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

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

Terri McCloskey presented the State Grant for Nurse Family Partnership Contract for approval and signatures. Tom Henry moved to approve and sign. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to add the Nurse Family State Grant to the Agenda for Action. 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.

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Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

WORK SESSION MEETING

July 7, 2022

In

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

Press: (Via Zoom) Bob Baker, New Age Examiner; Warren Howeler, Rocket Courier

Visitors: None

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

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

The Commissioners gave the Press a brief update on the Meeting with Senator Casey on the Broadband Project for the County.

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.

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Ernie King
Thomas Casey

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

WORK SESSION MEETING

July 14, 2022

In

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

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

Visitors: Flo Kellett, Election Director

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

Rick Wilbur moved to approve the Bills following review by Tom Henry and Rick Wilbur. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve the IRS mileage rate set at \$0.625 per mile effective July 1, 2022.

Flo Kellett, Election Director reported the Governor has signed Act 88, which will give the County \$90,593.00 in Election funding, deadline to submit paperwork is August 15, 2022.

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 10:10 a.m.

W.S.W.A.
Ernie King
Tom Henry

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM MEETING

July 19, 2022

In

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

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

Visitors: (Via Zoom) Albert Olive, (In Person) Bill & Janet Shaw, John Alunni, Human Service Director, 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 July 5, 2022 regular Meeting minutes and the July 7, 2022 Work Session minutes. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to Amend the Agenda adding the Wyoming County Recycling Center Electronic Event, September 17, 2022, update. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur reported that Senaca Park is back to the County, July 27, 2022 with signed paperwork in hand.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve the Wyoming County Emergency Operation Plan that was just updated. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to approve increasing the Mileage reimbursement rate to \$ 0.625 which is the new IRS approved rate effective July 1, 2022. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to approve the donation of the unused Brush Hog to Tunkahnock Boro Council for use at the Riverside Park, repairs to the Brush Hog will be completed by Boro Council. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to add Ernie King to the Wyoming/Luzerne Counties Drug & Alcohol Board as a Clergy Representative. Tom Henry second the Motion. Ernie King abstained. Motion carried.

Mike Rogers, Recycling Coordinator, updated the Commissioners on the Electronic Recycling Event, September 17, 2022. Pre-Registraton needed, deadline September 2, 2022.

Commissioners called for an Executive session at 10:40 a.m. No Action Taken following Executive Session.

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 10:50 a.m.

Thomas Henry
 Rick Wilbur
 Ernest King

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM MEETING

August 2, 2022

In

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

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

Visitors: John Alunni, Director Human Service, Cathy Voda, Director of Assessment,
(Via Zoom) Dave Taylor, Don Howland

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 July 14, 2022, Work Session and the July 19, 2022, regular Meeting minutes. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

The Commissioners approved the following be added to today's agenda:

U.S. Senator Bob Casey; Community Project Funds; Election Integrity Grant; Replacement of Courthouse Doors

Comp-Time Policy Tabled

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

Rick Wilbur moved to approve the Liquid Fuel's Grant to Townships, Borough at \$50,000.00 based on population and mileage. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve and accept the bid for \$31,000.00 for replacement of the Front door to add security and keep historical nature, \$24,000 to be through a Judicial Grant and \$7,000 General Fund Maintenance Budget. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve FMLA for T.C., Prison Employee for 12 weeks without pay. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to appoint Atty. Ken Levitsky to handle a Planning Office issue, this is due to a conflict with the Wyoming County Solicitor. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to approve the Bank Accounts for Tunkhannock Ford Escrow, Planning Engineering Fees and Seneca Trail. 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 10:40 a.m.

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

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM MEETING

August 16, 2022

In

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

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

Visitors: John Alunni, Director Human Service; Linda Price, Seneca Park

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

Tom Henry moved to approve the August 2, 2022, Meeting minutes. Ernie King second the Motion.
Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to amend the Agenda to include Executive Session, Opioid Settlement Account set-
up, Election Funds Grant. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to approve a County Buildings Cleaning Contract with Patrick Robinson Cleaning
Service. Approximately Cost \$67,000.00. All County owned Buildings. Rick Wilbur second the Motion.
Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved not to approve on an easement to the PA Fish Commission for Seneca Park. Ernie
King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur reported on a recent letter from Jeannie Brady, Real Estate with her professional opinion
that the Department of Agriculture property is worth substantially more than the \$125,000 the County
offered. This was required before closing can take place.

Tom Henry moved to approve and set up a Bank Account for Opioid Settlemnt Funds the County will
receive. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve and accept the \$90,000 State Grant for the Election Official Expenses.
Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved for an Executive Session at 10:45 a.m. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Executive Session closed at 10:48 a.m. with No Action Taken.

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 10:50 a.m.

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Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM MEETING

August 30, 2022

In

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

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

Visitors: Bob Roberts, Shjerriff, Ken Repsher, Warden, Linda Coolbaugh, Dawn Rogers, Janet & Bill Shaw, Gerald Coolbaugh (All Seneca Park)

Rick Wilbur, Chairman opened the Meeting at 10:05 a.m. following the Prison Board Meeting.

Tom Henry moved to approve the August 16, 2022, Meeting minutes. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to award the bid to A.R. Popple for the demolition of the Dana House, Eaton Twp., Bid \$65,100.00. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to approve funding for the Grass Roots Work Force Development Program, \$10,000. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to approve the transfer of a Prison Employee to the Sheriff's Dept (Deputy Sheriff) effective September 12, 2022 to fill vacant position. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Executive Session called at 10:45 a.m. to discuss a Legal matter. Adjourned with No Action Taken.

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 11:30 a.m.

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Thomas Henry
Ernie King

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

ZOOM MEETING

September 13, 2022

In Attendance: Rick Wilbur, Tom Henry, Ernie King, Commissioners, Paul Litwin, Solicitor,
Amber Franko, Deputy Chief Clerk

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

Visitors: John Alunni, Human Service, Director; Cain Chamberlin, Endless Mt. Heritage Region

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 August 30, 2022 regular Meeting minutes. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Paul Litwin addressed the need for an Executive Session following the meeting regarding a personnel issue.

Ernie King moved to declare September as National Preparedness Month. "The Life you've built is worth protecting. Prepare for disasters to create a lasting legacy for you and your family." Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to donate \$2,780.22 from the Drug Free School Grant account to rejuvenate the D.A.R.E. program at Tunkhannock Area School District. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to Amend the Agenda adding Endless Mountain Heritage Region. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry reported that the check for Seneca Park has been given to the County.

Tom Henry reported the County received the first Opioid settlement check of \$68,280.27.

Tom Henry moved to approve the Children & Youth contracts presented to them. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to delay the vote for the purchase of the Dept of Agriculture building. He stated there are clauses in the contract that need to be reviewed by Paul Litwin. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

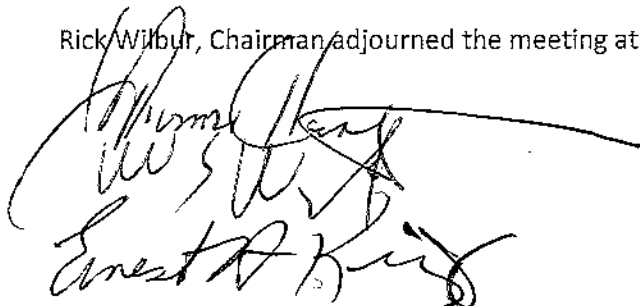
Rick Wilbur moved to approve the use of county development block funds for the water system at the Senior Center in Exeter Township. This is part of the Housing Authority project. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Cain Chamberlin spoke about the developments and different projects the Endless Mountain Heritage Region has been working on in Wyoming County. He noted there is an annual meeting October 7, 2022 at 9:30. Tom Henry moved to donate money from Act 13 to the Endless Mountain Heritage Region. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Commissioners called for an Executive session at 10:50 a.m. No Action Taken following Executive Session.

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 10:50 a.m.



Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

WORK SESSION MEETING

September 22, 2022

In

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

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

Visitors: Endless Mt. Heritage Associates Representative

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

Tom Henry moved to amend the Agenda to include a Letter of Support for Endless Mt. Heritiage, Agreement of Sale with Commonwealth of PA of Council Service and hiring of two 911 Telecommunitors. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve the Bills pending review by Rick Wilbur and Tom Henry. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve a Letter of Recommendation supporting Endless Mountain Heritiage Association Room Tax Grant application for the purpose of conducting an outdoor and heritage expo at the Wyoming County Fairgrounds in September, 2023. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve the Agreement of Sale with the Commonwealth of PA Dept of Council Services to purchase the former PA Agriculture Building on Rt. 92 South for \$125,000.00. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to hire Alex Ronca and Jaime Lynne Sickler as 911 Tele-Communitors. Both have successfully completed the pre-employment testing and background checks. 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 10:15 a.m.

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Rick Wilbur
Ernie King

Wyoming County Commissioners Meeting

Zoom Meeting Available

September 27, 2022

In

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

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

Visitors: Jim Brooks, Airport Authority, John Alunni, Human Service Director

Rick Wilbur, Chairman opened the Meeting following the Prison Board Meeting.

Tom Henry moved to approve the September 13, 2022 regular Meeting minutes and the September 22, 2022 Work Session minutes. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to amend the Agenda adding Suicide Awareness Month for September 2022. Rick Wilbur second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to accept the Resignation of Jessica Hannon, Juvenile Probation Dept. effective October 7, 2022. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Tom Henry moved to approve the following ARP Funding: Laceyville Sewer Authority - \$48,000.00; Wyoming County Airport Authority - \$23,000.00. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion Carried. Jim Brooks for the Airport Authority Thanked the Commissions for the funding and support . Funds will be used for runway repairs.

Ernie King moved approving Sheriff Bob Roberts decision to terminate Joseph Miller as Deputy Sheriff. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Rick Wilbur moved to approve and authorize the County Solicitor to advertise the Seneca Park Ordinance. Ernie King second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King moved to approve and sign the following Children & Youth Purchase Service Agreements:
Diversified Treatment
Concern

Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King moved to approve hiring Brittany O'Connor as a Part-Time Deputy Sheriff, No Benefits. She has all certification and will be working as needed by the Department. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Ernie King moved to declare October as Prepared in PA Month concerning being ready for disasters. Tom Henry second the Motion. Motion carried.

Commissioners agreed to contact utility companies to assure that Tree removal programs are being property funded to eliminate or at least reduce frequent power outages.

A September 14th editorial in the Wyoming County Press shows concerns of trust for federal broadband maps. We want people to know that our GIS coordinator and County Commissioners are working diligently with the FCC to insure that the broadband maps are as complete and accurate as possible.

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 10:30 a.m.

Rick Wilbur
Thomas Clench
Ernest A. King