



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES

Thursday, February 21, 2019, 10:00 A.M.

Willowbank Office Building
420 Holmes Street, Room 146
Bellefonte, PA 16823

I. CALL TO ORDER

The public meeting of the Centre County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 10:04 AM on February 21, 2019 by Chair of the Board, Michael Pipe.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

In attendance were Commissioner Michael Pipe, Chair; Commissioner Mark Higgins; Commissioner Steven Dershem; Administrator, Margaret Gray; Deputy Administrator, Bob Jacobs; Director of Financial Management, Tom Martin; Executive Assistant, Natalie Bird; Director of Human Resources, Kristen Simkins; Assistant Director of Human Resources, Missey Bender.

County personnel present included Chad Joyce, Deb immel, Joyce McKinley, Bryan Sampsel, and Joe Davidson.

Representatives from the news media included Gary Sinderson.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

IV. MEETING MINUTES

Minutes from the Thursday, February 14, 2019 Board of Commissioners' meeting.

Action: On a motion by Commissioner Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Dershem, the Board voted to approve the meeting minutes from February 14, 2019.

V. ACTION ON PERSONNEL ITEM(S)

- A. MH/ID/EI - Consider approval of the appointment for Ashley M. Standridge, full-time Caseworker 2, MH/ID, (p.c. #40, non-exempt, replacing K. Conway), at SG-N012A(01)--\$16.36/hour, effective March 4, 2019, pay period 6. (Conditional upon satisfactory completion of pre-employment requirements) (Salary budget savings for 2019 \$5,124, Annualized salary savings for 2020 \$1,287) - Dept. 561.

Action: On a motion by Commissioner Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Dershem, the Board voted to approve the appointment of Ashley Standridge.

Commissioner Higgins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dershem and approved by the Board to add item C to Section V.

VI. ACTION ON NON-PERSONNEL ITEM(S)

- A. Commissioners - Letter of Support to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Office of the Budget for an application submitted by Navitus, LLC for Redevelopment Assistance Capital Project Funding (RACP) for the Titan Park Plan 1 Improvement Project. Margaret explained that Delta Development is working with Navitus, LLC to renovate Plant 1 of Titan Park – Dept. 111.

Action: On a motion by Commissioner Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Dershem, the Board voted to approve the letter of support for the RACP application submitted by Navitus, LLC.

- B. Elections - Joyce McKinley presented the annual Certification of County Maintenance of Effort for the period of January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018 in accordance with the HAVA Title II Finance Assistance Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania – Dept. 131.

Action: On a motion by Commissioner Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Dershem, the Board voted to approve the Certification of County Maintenance of Effort.

- C. MIS/RBA – Margret asked the Board to consider a contract amendment with Comcast to provide increased bandwidth. Director of Transportation Dave Lomison has been reporting slowness with internet service at the Transportation Office, RBA has been troubleshooting and has not found a solution. Chad Joyce reported that it has been determined to be a bandwidth issue, the service comes into the Willowbank Building and then travels to the Transportation Office by fiber line. Tom Martin said the contract was budgeted for around \$3,300 and with renegotiation; the County currently pays \$2,577.25 per month. Commissioner Dershem asked if Transportation is able to provide funding to offset the expense? Tom said that this contract is through the MIS budget, not the general fund. Chad will be going to the Transportation Office today and will provide follow up on Tuesday with results from a speed test – Dept. 142.

Action: On a motion by Commissioner Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Dershem, the Board voted to table the contract amendment with Comcast until Tuesday, February 26.

VII. REPORT ON JUDICIAL PERSONNEL ITEM(S)

VIII. REPORT ON ROW OFFICE PERSONNEL ITEM(S)

IX. DISCUSSION ITEMS

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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XI. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Commissioner Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Dershem, the Board voted to move into executive session at 10:21. Executive session was adjourned at 10:53 AM.

ATTEST:

Margaret N. Gray
Administrator