



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WORK SESSION MINUTES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022, 11:00 A.M.

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

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I. CALL TO ORDER

The public work session of the Board of Commissioners was convened at 12:18 PM by Chair of the Board Michael Pipe.

In attendance were Commissioner Michael Pipe, Commissioner Mark Higgins, Administrator John Franek Jr., and Executive Office Supervisor Erin Good.

County personnel included Controller Jason Moser, Travis Walker, Deputy Administrator Natalie Corman and Joni MacIntyre.

Guests present included Kim Stank.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments received from the public.

III. American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

Kim Stank gave a brief overview of the project summary. There were no significant changes, the revenue loss calculation is being worked on and is not included. Kim asked if we are ready to put any numbers into the salary study or not. Commissioner Pipe and Controller Moser stated we do not need to at this time.

For the Centre Crest renovations, Administrator John Franek Jr. stated we invested the \$30 million and the PLGIT account. Commissioner Pipe and Commissioner Higgins stated to keep the \$3 million as a placeholder for now. The airport tourism incentive project will be meeting soon to discuss a possible new airline.

The mental health court is currently adjusting the \$500,000 and is a conservative number at this point and will be on hold for now.

Haines Woodward is coming back from the ARPA channel and requesting a little over \$200,000. Commissioner Pipe stated a letter should be sent that we will not be funding it at this time due to CDBG funds.

North Central Conservatory is looking to do dam embankment stabilization projects at Sayers Dam. They are requesting \$163,726 for 3 stabilization projects. The Board concluded that we will not be funding this project at this time.

Centre Region Parks and Recreation is continuing work on one of their park projects and their budget was consumed and the project has been postponed. They want to bring it to the Board of Commissioners' attention that at the first of the year, they will be submitting a request for ARPA funding. They did receive a matching grant from DCNR for \$300,000 for a

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playground. Kim Stank stated they may want to touch base with DCED for additional funds if it is not supported by ARPA funds.

IV. QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS

V. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Commissioner Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Pipe, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 12:34 PM.

ATTEST:

John Franek Jr.

Administrator