

The regular meeting of the Tioga County Commissioners was called to order today at 10:00 a.m. with the following members present: Mark L. Hamilton and Erick J. Coolidge. Also present was Derek Williams, Janice Chamberlain, Casey Zuchowski, Benton Best, Robert Kipferl, Kerry Miller, Andy Tom, Tiffany Cummings, Deb Crawford, Nancy Clemens, Becky Briggs, Betsy Craig, Amy Perry, and press representative Nat Kennedy.

Pledge of Allegiance

A Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Certificate of Appointment was presented to Robert Kipferl.

Public Comments – (agenda items)  
None

Minutes A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve the minutes of May 9, 2017.

Hire J. McCarthy A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve the hire of Joshua McCarthy, part-time Corrections Officer, Tioga County Prison, \$13.81/hr., no benefits.

Resignation K. Mosso A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve the resignation of Kyle Mosso, part-time Corrections Officer, Tioga County Prison, effective 4/15/17.

Resignation R. Harer A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve the resignation of Rebecca Harer, Executive Assistant to the District Attorney, effective 5/31/17.

Resignation A. Howard A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve the resignation of Anastacia Howard, Child Care Worker, effective 5/10/17.

Resignation B. Thompson A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve the resignation of Bobbie Jo Thompson, Residential Treatment, effective 5/4/17.

Resignation A. Case A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve the resignation of Ashley Case, Family Services, effective 5/31/17.

Termination W. Place, III A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve the termination of William Place, III, part-time Corrections Officer, Tioga County Prison, effective 4/21/17.

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to issue the following Proclamation:

Issue  
Proclamation  
Emergency  
Medical  
Services Week

Proclamation  
Emergency Medical Services Week

**WHEREAS**, The members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need, 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and,

**WHEREAS**, emergency medical services is a vital public service and access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and,

**WHEREAS**, emergency medical services personnel consist of ambulance attendants, emergency medical responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, dispatchers, emergency physicians, and nurses, educators, administrators, and others; and,

**WHEREAS**, emergency medical services personnel, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and,

**WHEREAS**, Pennsylvanians benefit daily from the knowledge and skills of these highly trained individuals. Injury prevention and the appropriate use of emergency medical services through a coordinated statewide 911 system will help reduce health care costs.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Commissioners of Tioga County hereby proclaim the week of May 21-27, 2017 as

**“EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK”**

In Tioga County, and encourage the community to join with them in recognizing the value and accomplishments of the members of the EMS team.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, we have set our hand and seal this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2017.

TIOGA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
/s/ Mark L. Hamilton  
/s/ Roger C. Bunn  
/s/ Erick J. Coolidge

Issue  
Proclamation  
Smoke-Free  
Day on the  
Green

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to issue the following Proclamation:

**SMOKE-FREE DAY ON THE GREEN**  
June 10, 2017

WHEREAS, Saturday, June 10, 2017 is the official beginning of the annual Pennsylvania State Laurel Festival in Wellsboro; and

WHEREAS, this day is known as Family Day + Children's Health Fair; and

WHEREAS, the Wellsboro Area Chamber of Commerce, Wellsboro Montessori Children's Center and Kids First Work Group of the Tioga County Partnership for Community Health wish to promote our children's health, safety and well-being; and

WHEREAS, in honor of Family Day + Children's Health Fair, tobacco use of any kind will be banned on The Green;

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the Tioga County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim Saturday, June 10, 2017 as Smoke-Free Day on The Green.

TIOGA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
/s/ Mark L. Hamilton  
/s/ Roger C. Bunn  
/s/ Erick J. Coolidge

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to adopt the following Resolution:

Adopt  
Resolution  
Remember the  
USS Liberty

**RESOLUTION**  
**REMEMBER THE USS LIBERTY**  
R-6-17

Whereas, the USS Liberty AGTR5, a US Navy intelligence gathering ship, was operating in international waters off the Sinai Peninsula on June 8, 1967; and

Whereas, the Israeli/Arab 6-day War was in progress; and

Whereas, the USS Liberty was clearly marked and flying the American flag; and

Whereas, Israeli military forces, strafed, napalmed and torpedoed the USS Liberty at will with only token resistance from Liberty machine guns; and

Whereas, the commanding officer, Captain William L. McGonagle, and the valiant crew attempted to save the ship from total destruction while awaiting US Navy assistance; and

Whereas, the fighter aircraft launched from the USS Enterprise to rescue the Liberty were recalled under orders from Washington; and

Whereas, 34 non-combatant men, military and civilian, lost their lives in the performance of their duty as well as 172 wounded; and

Whereas, the Israeli government labeled this assault on a US Navy ship as an "accident" and "mistaken identity" even though the USS Liberty was clearly marked with hull markings and flying the American flag in a stiff breeze; and

Whereas, the US Navy and National Security Agency intelligence chiefs familiar with this unprovoked attack by an "allied government" have stated unequivocally that Israeli forces had clearly identified the Liberty.

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Tioga County Commissioners do hereby declare June 8, 2017 as "Remember the USS Liberty Day" and order the flag at the Tioga County Courthouse and other County facilities to be flown at half-mast in memory and support of the officers, crew and their families.

Tioga County Board of Commissioners  
/s/ Mark L. Hamilton  
/s/ Roger C. Bunn  
/s/ Erick J. Coolidge

Adopt  
Resolution  
Local Match  
for EMTA

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to adopt the following Resolution:

**R-7-17**  
**RESOLUTION BY MUNICIPALITY CERTIFYING PROVISION OF LOCAL  
MATCH FOR STATE OPERATING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

The Board of Commissioners of Tioga County resolves and certifies that it will provide Endless Mountains Transportation Authority local funds in the amount of \$33,195.02 to match state funds provided pursuant to 74 Pa. C.S. Section 1513 in Fiscal year 2017-18.

Further, the Board of Commissioners resolves and certifies that the required amount of local matching funds will be provided no later than the end of the State Fiscal Year, June 30, 2018. The following schedule indicates dates and payments of eligible local matching funds:

Payment Date	Payment Amount
January 30, 2018	\$16,597.51
March 30, 2018	\$16,597.51

I, Mark Hamilton, Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners of Tioga County do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Tioga County Commissioners held the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May 2017.

By: /s/ Mark Hamilton                      Date: 5/23/17

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to adopt the following Resolution:

Adopt  
Resolution  
Signature  
Approval for  
Water Quality  
Grant

Resolution No. R-8-17

Be it RESOLVED, that Tioga County hereby requests a Baseline Water Quality Data grant of \$250,000 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used to assess groundwater quality in Tioga County.

Be it FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Applicant does hereby designate Kerry Miller, Tioga County Planner, as the official to execute all documents and agreements between the Tioga County Board of Commissioners and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant.

I, Derek Williams, duly qualified Chief Clerk of Tioga County, Wellsboro, PA, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution duly adopted by a majority vote of the Tioga County Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting held May 23, 2017 and said Resolution has been recorded in the minutes of the Tioga County Commissioners and remains in effect as of this date.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I affix my hand and attach the seal of the Tioga County, this 23rd day of May, 2017.

Tioga County Commissioners  
/s/ Mark L. Hamilton  
/s/ Erick J. Coolidge

Approve HSS  
funding

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve fiscal year 2017/2018 Human Services and Supports funding of \$64,446.

Amend grant  
for Promoting  
Responsible  
Fatherhood

A motion was made by Mark L. Hamilton, seconded by Erick J. Coolidge and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve an amendment to a current grant agreement which provides Promoting Responsible Fatherhood services to at-risk families, extending the term to June 30, 2019. Grant amount per fiscal year is \$30,600.

Approve bid  
form Hawbaker  
for H.C. paving

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve a bid from Glenn Hawbaker for the Highland Chocolate paving project, \$67,526. This will be paid with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

Deny tax  
abatement  
request

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to deny a Preferential Tax Abatement request from Flip Flop Pizza & Subs, LLC, Wellsboro.

Approve  
proposal –  
remove fuel  
system @ DHS

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve a proposal from Brooks Petroleum Contracting to remove gasoline fueling system at the Dept. of Human Services, \$3,594. This will be paid with Human Services funds.

Approve quote  
to replace  
Green side-  
walk

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve a quote from J. S. General Contracting for replacing 120 lineal feet of sidewalk on the Green, \$6,120.

Approve  
contract with  
SACS

A motion was made by Mark L. Hamilton, seconded by Erick J. Coolidge and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve a contract with Susquehanna Accounting & Consulting Solutions, Inc. for accounting services for the period 1/1/17 – 12/31/17. Maximum fee \$124,790 plus a maximum of \$5,000 out-of-pocket expenses.

Approve GR  
Noto proposal  
TC2017-16

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve proposal # TC2017-16 from G. R. Noto Electrical Construction to install 10 additional LED emergency lights in the courthouse, \$4,230. This will be paid with Act 13 funds.

Approve GR  
Noto proposal  
TC2017-18

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve proposal # TC2017-18 from G. R. Noto Electrical Construction to provide power and control wiring for the new courthouse tower clock, \$4,038.

Approve GR Noto proposal TC2017-19 A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve proposal # TC2017-19 from G. R. Noto Electrical Construction for power and lighting modifications in the main IT room, \$7,266. This will be paid with Act 13 funds.

Approve GR Noto proposal TC2017-22 A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve proposal # TC2017-22 from G. R. Noto Electrical Construction for voice/data wiring in the voter registration office, \$7,142. This will be paid with Act 13 funds.

Approve Mtn Research proposal A motion was made by Mark L. Hamilton, seconded by Erick J. Coolidge and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve a proposal from Mountain Research for purpose of testing asbestos containing material and lead based paint in the Hope Building –\$3,375; bulk asbestos samples - \$10.00 per sample.

Approve EADS proposal for Hope Bldg A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve a proposal from EADS Architects for the Dept. of Human Services Hope Building renovations and improvements project, \$54,300.

Approve EADS proposal for Maintenance Bldg A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve a proposal from EADS Architects for the Maintenance Building renovations and improvements project, \$33,600. This will be paid with insurance money received from the fire of the original building.

Approve DHS agreements A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve the following agreements for the Dept. of Human Services:

- Avanco International, Inc. – Child Accounting & Profile System Application Service Provider Agreement
- Avanco International, Inc. – Consulting Agreement
- Community Life Options, Inc. – 2016/17 Amendment #1 to the Purchase of Service Agreement for Home & Community Habilitation Services

Public Comment –  
None

The meeting adjourned at 10:31 a.m.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Derek Williams

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Mark L. Hamilton

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Erick J. Coolidge