

The regular meeting of the Tioga County Commissioners was called to order this evening at 7:00 p.m. at the Wellsboro Borough building with the following members present: Roger C. Bunn, Erick J. Coolidge, and Mark L. Hamilton. Also present were Derek Williams, Janice Chamberlain, and Casey Zuchowski. Members of the public included Deb Crawford, Ron & Sharel Johnson, Gene Allen, Joan Hart, Mike Wood, Chief Bodine, John Wheeler, Dan & Janet Strausser, Jennifer Mase Updyke and press representatives Natalie Kennedy and Cheryl Clarke.

Pledge of Allegiance

For information –

- County Aid applications from Townships/Boroughs are due by August 3, 2015

Public Comments – (agenda items):

Ron Johnson – location of new document storage building

Minutes	A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve the minutes of May 12, 2015.														
Hire B. Best	A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve the hire of Benton Best, full-time Dispatcher-in-Training, Dept. of Emergency Services, \$10.65/hr. with benefits, effective 7/13/15.														
Hire I. Compton	A motion was made by Mark L. Hamilton, seconded by Erick J. Coolidge and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve the hire of Isaiah Compton, Government Services Intern, CORE, \$7.61/hr., no benefits.														
Hire O. Vargas	A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve the hire of Orlando Vargas, Ongoing Integrated Caseworker 1, Family Services, \$14.25/hr. with benefits.														
Hire R. Plunkert	A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve the hire of Ryan Plunkert, Ongoing Integrated Caseworker 1, Family Services, \$14.25/hr. with benefits.														
Hire D. Dascher	A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve the hire of Danae Dascher, Ongoing Integrated Caseworker 1, Family Services, \$14.25/hr. with benefits.														
Hire W. Kaczynski	A motion was made by Mark L. Hamilton, seconded by Erick J. Coolidge and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve the hire of Wes Kaczynski, part-time Child Care Worker, Residential Services, \$10.02/hr., no benefits.														
Decline employment C. Learn	A motion was made by Mark L. Hamilton, seconded by Erick J. Coolidge and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve a declination of employment from Christopher Learn, Government Services Intern, CORE.														
Transfer M. Accetulla	A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve the transfer of Mark Accetulla from GIS Technician to Erosion and Sediment Control Technician in the Tioga County Soil Conservation District, \$13.00/hr. with benefits.														
Resignation J. Diederich	A motion was made by Mark L. Hamilton, seconded by Erick J. Coolidge and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve the resignation of James Diederich, Tioga County Soil Conservation District, effective 6/12/15.														
Retirement D. Colegrove	A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve the retirement of Denny Colegrove, Dept. of Emergency Services, effective 6/30/15.														
Retirement W. Kaczynski	A motion was made by Mark L. Hamilton, seconded by Erick J. Coolidge and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve the retirement of Wes Kaczynski, full-time Educational Coordinator, Residential Services, effective 6/5/15.														
Furlough to SAM	A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve the furlough of the following employees to SAM, Inc. effective 7/1/15: <table border="0" style="margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td>Constance Gunn – Homemaker</td> <td>Holly Kerr, Homemaker</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rhonda Hults, Homemaker</td> <td>John Wheeler, Caseworker 2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ashley Makinster, Caseworker 2</td> <td>Lucia Reimann, Caseworker 2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Kaleena Allen, Caseworker 2</td> <td>Shadel Carleton, Caseworker 2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Paula Martin, Caseworker 1</td> <td>Nichole Lowry, Caseworker 1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Danielle Gutshall, Caseworker 1</td> <td>Lindsay Butler, Caseworker 1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rebecca Rome, Caseworker 1</td> <td>Edward Borsheim, Youth Development Counselor 1</td> </tr> </table>	Constance Gunn – Homemaker	Holly Kerr, Homemaker	Rhonda Hults, Homemaker	John Wheeler, Caseworker 2	Ashley Makinster, Caseworker 2	Lucia Reimann, Caseworker 2	Kaleena Allen, Caseworker 2	Shadel Carleton, Caseworker 2	Paula Martin, Caseworker 1	Nichole Lowry, Caseworker 1	Danielle Gutshall, Caseworker 1	Lindsay Butler, Caseworker 1	Rebecca Rome, Caseworker 1	Edward Borsheim, Youth Development Counselor 1
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Bid from Benedicts for DHS summer programs	A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to accept a bid from Benedict's Bus Service for summer transportation for the Human Services summer programs, \$631/day for 31 days - total \$19,561.														
Bid for purchase of boom lift	A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to accept the high bid of \$2,289.00 from Leo Shanley for the purchase of the old boom lift. Other bids received were from Waldo Wood, \$2,100.00 and Richard Franks, \$785.00.														

Adopt  
Resolution  
R-7-15

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

RESOLUTION  
REMEMBER THE USS LIBERTY  
R-7-15

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, 2015 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/ Roger C. Bunn  
/s/ Erick J. Coolidge  
/s/ Mark L. Hamilton

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

Adopt  
Resolution  
R-8-15

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SGT. FIRST CLASS WILLIAM BOYLE  
MEMORIAL BRIDGE DESIGNATION

Whereas, Sgt. First Class (SFC) William Boyle, a resident of Watrous, attended Galeton High School and served in the United State Army as an E7 with the Military Assistance Command Vietnam – Studies and Observations Group, 5<sup>th</sup> Special Forces Group in Vietnam; and

Whereas, while bravely serving his country, SFC Boyle was killed on February 28, 1970, when an enemy rocket hit his helicopter causing an explosion and subsequent fire; and

Whereas, the bridge located on S.R. 58001, known as Elk Run Road, Gaines Township, Tioga County, over the Pine Creek is hereby designated the SFC William Boyle Memorial Bridge; and

Whereas, the Department of Transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge to traffic in both directions on the bridge; and

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Tioga County Commissioners do hereby recognize SFC William Boyle for his service and sacrifice for his country.

Dated this 26<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015.

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

County real estate tax refunds

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve the following County real estate tax refunds: Ronald Costley, Farmington Township, \$396.29; Charles H. Miller, Jr., Lawrence Township, \$349.87; Lester & Alice Reiff, Morris Township, \$51.67; Williams Scotsman, Tioga Township, \$55.57; Williams Scotsman, Tioga Township, \$119.07; Gerald & Myraetta Austin, Charleston Township, \$83.68; Henry & Synthia Ann Topf, Delmar Township, \$1,871.92; Samuel & Cora Poorman, Clymer Township, \$49.15 (for 2012-2015); Donald & Helen VanVliet, Delmar Township, \$41.20 (for 2010-2015).

NTRPDC committee appointments

A motion was made by Mark L. Hamilton, seconded by Erick J. Coolidge and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve the following Northern Tier Regional Planning & Development Commission Advisory Committee appointments:

Economic Development: Robert Blair, Lindsey Sikorski, Craig Eccher  
Local Loan Review: Jeff Wilson, Robert Blair, Ryan Satalin  
Rural Area Transportation: Mark Hamilton, Fred LaVancher, Jim Weaver  
Local Elected Officials: Erick Coolidge, Mark Hamilton, Roger Bunn  
Member at Large: Jody Place

Beame Security agreement

A motion was made by Mark L. Hamilton, seconded by Erick J. Coolidge and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve an agreement with Beame Security to provide Risk and Vulnerability Assessments for Southern Tioga and Wellsboro Area School District buildings, \$18,140 – Act 13.

Mansfield University funding

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve a request from Mansfield University for funding of \$100,000 to support the Mansfield University Municipal Police Academy for the 2015/2016 school year – Act 13.

MCM Consulting Addendum for 911

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve an Addendum to the current agreement with MCM Consulting Group for the Tioga County 911 Center/EOC project to provide consulting services, engineering services, and project management services for the decommissioning of Tioga County's 911 center located in the courthouse, \$5,000/month, not to exceed a total of \$30,000, for the term 7/1/15 – 12/31/15 – Act 13.

AJC Prof. Svcs. for A/C installation

A motion was made by Mark L. Hamilton, seconded by Erick J. Coolidge and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve the installation of air-conditioning in the new document storage building by AJC Professional Services, \$1,950 – Act 13.

EADS Architects – St. James

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve an agreement with EADS Architects for professional architectural and engineering services in the development of a program for window replacement and minor exterior renovations at the St. James complex, \$16,800 – PHARE grant funds.

Giga Trak – document tracking software

A motion was made by Mark L. Hamilton, seconded by Erick J. Coolidge and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve the purchase of document tracking software and licenses from GigaTrak, \$6,980.53 – Act 13.

McClure Co HVAC proposal

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve a two-year HVAC maintenance proposal by McClure Company for the Armory section of the Courthouse, \$5,944/year.

ThyssenKrupp for heater in elevator

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve the purchase and installation of a cab heater for the elevator in the Armory section of the Courthouse, from Thyssen Krupp, \$4,771.77

Agreement for DHS

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

Whitcomb, Justin & Kathryn – 14/15 Resource Family/Respite Services

Public Comment –

Sharel Johnson – Risk & Vulnerability Assessment for Northern Tioga School District (already completed)  
Cheryl Clarke – next step after Risk & Vulnerability Assessments are completed  
Ron Johnson – number of employees to SAM; DHS union

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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Roger C. Bunn

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

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Erick J. Coolidge

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Mark L. Hamilton