

The regular meeting of the Tioga County Commissioners was called to order today at 10:00 a.m. at the Tioga County Courthouse with the following members present: Mark L. Hamilton, Roger C. Bunn, and Erick J. Coolidge. Also present was Janice Chamberlain, Casey Zuchowski, Marc Rice, Sara Rice, Kera Hackett, Betsy Craig, Christine Perry, Becky Briggs, Josh Zeyn, Christa Hilfiger, Rod Butler, Bob Goodrich, Chris Eckert, and press representative Natalie Kennedy.

Pledge of Allegiance

Election Audit
Request
statement

The Board of Commissioners read a prepared statement regarding the election audit request. This statement is attached and a part of these minutes.

Public Comments (agenda items) – None

Minutes

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Roger C. Bunn and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve the minutes of July 13, 2021.

For information:

Appoint
T.Freeman

Appoint: Troy Freeman, Chief Probation Officer, \$87,441.94/yr. effective 8/3/21

Hire: David Stager, (appointed) part-time DUI Coordinator, \$60.00/hr. no benefits, effective 8/10/21

Hire
D.Stager
J.Blizzard
C.Miles
K.Toth

This appointment will be reviewed on an annual basis.

Jennifer Blizzard, Clerk, Prothonotary & Clerk of Courts Office, \$11.00/hr. with benefits, effective 7/19/21

Corey Miles, Clerk, Prothonotary & Clerk of Courts Office, \$11.00/hr. with benefits, effective 8/2/21

Kelsey Toth, Judicial Line Staff, District Court 04-3-03, \$13.83/hr. with benefits, effective 7/26/21

Resignations: Grant Sutley, Assessment office, effective 7/29/21

Resignations
G.Sutley
G.Brion
P.Brewster
B.Kerkeslager

Gwen Brion, Judicial Line Staff, District Court 04-3-03, effective 7/30/21

Parker Brewster, Corrections Officer, Tioga County Prison, effective 8/6/21

Ben Kerkeslager, GIS/Training Technician, Dept. of Emergency Services, effective 8/11/21

Promotion
C.Brackman

A motion was made by Roger C. Bunn, seconded by Erick J. Coolidge and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve the promotion of Chris Brackman from part-time to full-time Dispatcher, Dept. of Emergency Services, \$17.76/hr. with benefits, effective 8/15/21.

Use of Green

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Roger C. Bunn and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve use of the Green for the Jensen / Mattison wedding on May 14, 2022.

Cancel contract
w/Russell
Standard

A motion was made by Roger C. Bunn, seconded by Erick J. Coolidge and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve the cancellation of a contract previously awarded to Russell Standard, at the July 13, 2021 meeting, for a seal coat project. Delays in scheduling, due to the amount of rain received over the past month, prevent the project from being completed by September 3, 2021.

Property lease
w/Mike White
for 911 tower

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Roger C. Bunn and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve a 50-year lease with Mike White of 156 E. Lawrence Road, Lawrenceville, PA, for parcel # 40-01.00-102.//001. County will use this parcel to build a public safety radio system tower and to repurpose certain related structures. Owner has also granted the County a right of way and access to the tower site. The term of the lease is 50 years from the 10th day of August, 2021, with the option to renew the terms of the agreement for an additional 20 years. The lease fee is \$4,000 for the initial year, increasing by 1% per year thereafter.

Enviroserve -
HAZMAT
response area

A motion was made by Roger C. Bunn, seconded by Erick J. Coolidge and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve an amendment to a current agreement with Northridge Group, Inc., also known as Enviroserve. The current agreement calls for Hazardous Materials Emergency Response for the geographic area including and south of U.S. Route 6 in Tioga County. This amendment is to include the geographic area of all Tioga County, Pennsylvania.

Bio-Haz
Solutions – p/u
hazardous
waste at DHS

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Roger C. Bunn and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve a one-year lease with Bio-Haz Solutions, for removal of hazardous waste from the Dept. of Human Services complex. This agreement will automatically renew for one additional year. Fees: \$30/year compliance fee; container removal, up to 30 lbs., \$60. Additional charges will apply for over 30 lbs.

Contractor
agreement w/
Megan S Wells

A motion was made by Roger C. Bunn, seconded by Erick J. Coolidge and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve a one-year Independent Contractor Agreement with Megan S. Wells, Attorney, as Solicitor for the Tioga County Department of Human Services Children and Youth division, \$85.00/hr. This agreement shall renew automatically on a yearly basis.

4 agreements
for DHS

A motion was made by Erick J. Coolidge, seconded by Roger C. Bunn and unanimously carried upon vote of three ayes and no nays to approve four agreements for the Dept. of Human Services. A listing is attached.

Public comment –

Rod Butler – Farmington Twp. Supervisor, needs help with flooding roads, cleaning out of creeks

The next meeting of the Tioga County Board of Commissioners is scheduled for September 14, 2021.

The meeting adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

Mark L. Hamilton

Roger C. Bunn

Erick J. Coolidge

Attest: _____
Janice Chamberlain