

The regular meeting of the Tioga County Commissioners was called to order today at 10:00 a.m. with the following members present: Roger C. Bunn and Mark L. Hamilton. Also present was Derek Williams, Janice Chamberlain, Casey Zuchowski, Kera Hackett, Nancy Clemens, Dave Cohick Benton Best, Kerry Miller, Terry Browning, and Terry Ginn. Members of the public included Dan Styborksi and press representatives Nat Kennedy and Cheryl Clarke.

Pledge of Allegiance

For information – the Swift 911 Notification Program was presented by Benton Best

Public Comments – (agenda items)
None

Minutes A motion was made by Mark L. Hamilton, seconded by Roger C. Bunn and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve the minutes of September 27, 2016.

Hire L. Wales For information, hired Lorrie Wales, Judicial Line Staff, Domestic Relations Office, \$13.04/hr. with benefits, effective 10/17/16.

Hire M. Lehman A motion was made by Roger C. Bunn, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve the hire of Melinda Lehman, Ongoing Integrated Caseworker 1, Family Services, \$14.75/hr. with benefits.

Resignation K. Staudenmeier A motion was made by Mark L. Hamilton, seconded by Roger C. Bunn and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve the resignation of Katie Staudenmeier, Erosion & Sediment Control Technician, Tioga County Conservation District, effective 10/28/16.

Resignation J. Brewer A motion was made by Roger C. Bunn, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve the resignation of Jill Brewer, 911 Dispatcher, effective 10/5/16.

Resignation J. Chitester A motion was made by Mark L. Hamilton, seconded by Roger C. Bunn and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve the resignation of Jeremy Chitester, 911 Dispatcher, effective 10/16/16.

Termination G. Fidler A motion was made by Mark L. Hamilton, seconded by Roger C. Bunn and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve the termination of Gary Fidler, Support Services, effective 10/6/16.

Termination F. Bollock A motion was made by Mark L. Hamilton, seconded by Roger C. Bunn and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve the termination of Frank Bollock, Support Services, effective 10/6/16.

Use of Green – Relay for Life A motion was made by Mark L. Hamilton, seconded by Roger C. Bunn and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve use of the Green for the 2017 Relay for Life event, July 7-9, 2017, and courthouse parking lot July 8, 2017.

2017 Holiday calendar A motion was made by Mark L. Hamilton, seconded by Roger C. Bunn and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve the 2017 Holiday calendar for county employees.

Reappoint Farmland Preservation Bd. Members A motion was made by Roger C. Bunn, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve the reappointments of the following Tioga County Farmland Preservation Board members, for a 3-year term each: Sam Wilson, Tom Robbins.

Funding for Tioga County Trail Authority A motion was made by Mark L. Hamilton, seconded by Roger C. Bunn and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve funding of \$15,000 for the Tioga County Trail Authority, from the Marcellus Legacy Fund.

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

Adopt Resolution R-14-16

2016 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION

Resolution Number: R-14-16

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Tioga County

THAT an application to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for a Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$235,251 is hereby approved. A copy of the application in all detail is made part of this resolution and marked EXHIBIT A.

The Chairman of the County Commissioners is authorized to sign the application, the required statement of Assurances, Disclosure Report and Administration Agreement with the Tioga County Housing Authority.

ATTEST:
/s/ Derek Williams
Chief Clerk

TIOGA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:
/s/ Roger Bunn, Chairperson
/s/ Mark Hamilton, Commissioner

DATE: 10/11/16

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

Adopt
Resolution
R-15-16

GRANTEE'S STATE OF GOALS
NATIONAL PROGRAM FOR MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE
EXECUTIVE ORDER 11625

Resolution Number: R-15-16

It is the public policy of Tioga County to promote the opportunity for full participation by minority and women's business enterprises ("MBE's and WBE's) in all housing and community development programs receiving funds from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development.

1. The County of Tioga hereby sets as its goals for utilization of minority Business through its contracts for public works, site clearance and demolition, supplies and services, a target of approximately 5% of the 2016 CDBG Grant budget for Minority Business Enterprise and 3% of the 2016 CDBG Grant budget for Women's Business Enterprise. This percentage will be utilized by the grantee's administering agency, Tioga County Housing Authority (if applicable).
2. As part of the preparation of the contract documents, the County of Tioga will analyze the specific construction, site clearance and demolition projects, and will determine for each specific contract a goal and percentage amount which represents in the judgment of the County of Tioga and/or the Tioga County Housing Authority as to the maximum feasible involvement of minority business. Thus, individual projects may vary from the stated percentage goal. It is expected during the course of the year, however, that the total volume awarded to minority business will approximate goals stated above.
3. If applicable, the Tioga County Housing Authority is familiar with the County of Tioga Affirmative Action Program for Minority Business Enterprise and will comply with it in all contracts for public works, supplies and services funded with Community Development Block Grant Program.

/s/ Roger Bunn, Chairperson Date: 10/11/16
/s/ Mark L. Hamilton, Commissioner

WELLSBORO, TIOGA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

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

Adopt
Resolution
R-16-16

TIOGA COUNTY EXCESSIVE FORCE POLICY
RESOLUTION NO. R-16-16

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF TIOGA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ADOPTING POLICY PROTECTING INDIVIDUALS ENGAGED INNONVIOLENT CIVIL RIGHTS DOMONSTRATIONS.

WHEREAS, the congress of the United states has passed section 104(1) to the Title I of the housing and Community Development Act stating that no CDBG funds may be obligated or expended by any unit of the general local government that fails to adopt and enforce a policy of prohibiting the use of excessive force against any individuals engaged in nonviolent civil rights demonstrations; or fails to adopt and enforce a policy of enforcing applicable state and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of nonviolent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction;

AND WHEREAS, the COUNTY of TIOGA has received a community Development Block Grant and is required to comply with the Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act;

AND WHEREAS, the failure to enforce such policies may cause the COUNTY to lose its grant or eligibility for future federal grants;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TIOGA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

SECTION 1 It is the POLICY of TIOGA COUNTY that excessive force shall not be used against individuals engaged in lawful and nonviolent civil rights demonstrations within the MUNICIPALITY/COUNTY boundaries.

SECTION 2 It is the POLICY of TIOGA COUNTY to enforce applicable state and local laws against the physical barring of an entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of nonviolent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.

SECTION 3 The TIOGA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS will coordinate with the TIOGA COUNTY Sheriff.

PASSED BY THE TIOGA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY OF TIOGA, PENNSYLVANIA.

/s/ Roger Bunn, Chairman Tioga County Commissioner

/s/ Mark Hamilton, Tioga County Commissioner

Attest: /s/ Derek Williams, Chief Clerk

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

Adopt
Resolution
R-17-16

FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION

Resolution Number: R-17-16

LET IT BE KNOWN TO ALL PERSONS of Tioga County that discrimination in the sale, rental, leasing, financing of housing or land to be used for construction of housing, or in the provision of brokerage services because of race, color, sex, national origin, religion, familial status(families with children), or handicap (disability) is prohibited by Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Federal Fair Housing Law) and the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act adds the additional protected classes of age and ancestry. It is the policy of Tioga County to implement programs to ensure equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of race, color, sex, national origin, religion, familial status, handicap (disability), age and ancestry. Therefore, Tioga County does hereby pass the following resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED, that within available resources Tioga County will assist all persons who feel they have been discriminated against because of race, color, sex, national origin, religion, familial status, handicap (disability), age and ancestry to seek equity under federal and state laws by filing a complaint with the local Fair Housing Officer, Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, whichever is chosen by the person filling the complaint.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Tioga County shall make publically known this Resolution and through this publicity shall cause owners of real estate, developers, and builders to become aware of their respective responsibilities and rights under the Federal Fair Housing Law, the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act, and any local laws or ordinances.

FURTHER ACTION will at a minimum include, but not to be limited to:

- (1) Publicizing the name and contact information of the local Fair Housing Officer, which will include the process to file a complaint if a person feels they have been discriminated against in housing in any manner and other applicable fair housing information through local media and community contracts; and
- (2) Conduct at least one fair housing activity annually to better inform the public of their rights under the Fair Housing Law and Pennsylvania Human Relations Act; and
- (3) Use the fair housing logo on all materials dealing with housing programs such as but not limited to:
 - a. Public advertisements for vacancy or discussing the program
 - b. Applications for assistance
 - c. Contracts
 - d. Municipal letters dealing with the federal programs

Approved at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Tioga County Board of Commissioners, held October 11, 2016.

/s/ Roger Bunn, Chairman, Tioga County Commissioner

/s/ Mark Hamilton, Tioga County Commissioner

DHS
Agreements

A motion was made by Roger C. Bunn, seconded by Mark L. Hamilton and unanimously carried upon vote of two ayes and no nays to approve 9 agreements for the Dept. of Human Services. A listing is attached.

Public Comment –

Nancy Clemens – commended Children & Youth and SAM staff for working together to get the job done. A special thank you to Kelly Mulhearn for the distribution of collection boxes to support Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

The meeting adjourned at 10:17 a.m.

Attest: _____
Derek Williams

Roger C. Bunn

Mark L. Hamilton