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Minutes of the Meeting of June 14, 2018 Board Room, Executive Plaza Pine Street, Williamsport

Commissioner McKernan - Present Commissioner Mussare - Present Commissioner Mirabito - Present

Solicitor Smith - Present

1.0 OPERATIONS

- 1.1 CONVENE COMMISSIONERS MEETING. Mr. McKernan convened the Commissioners Meeting 10:03 a.m. Commissioner McKernan recognized today as Flag Day.
- 1.2 APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS. A motion by Mr. Mussare and seconded by Mr. Mirabito and passed (3-0), approved the minutes of the previous meeting as they are recorded.
- 1.3 RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENTS (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY). Mr. McKernan opened the floor to public comment on agenda items only, and none were received.

2.0 ACTION ITEMS

2.1 AWARD ACT 13 LEGACY GRANTS. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), awarded the following Act 13 Legacy Grants:

| East Lycoming Recreation | Electrify Lime Buff Park Facilities | 15,000 |
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| Hepburn Township | Mutchler Park Playground Updates | 10,000 |
| Loyalstock Township Board of | | |
| Supervisors | Wading Pool | 10,000 |
| Muncy Area Pool Association | 5 Yr. Capital Improvement Plan/Filtration system | 5,000 |
| Muncy Creek Township | Kiess Park Pavillion Upgrades | 11,370 |
| Muncy Historical Society | Cpt John Brady Heritage Park | 5,000 |
| Newberry Little League | Reinvestment 2018 | 20,000 |

| | Nippenose School Fields Multi-Purpose Field | |
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| Nippenose Valley Little League | Upgrade | 6,000 |
| Piatt Township Supervisor | Ballfield Revitalization | 10,000 |
| Rider Park, First Community | | |
| Foundation Partnership of PA | Rider Park Educational Signage | 9,000 |
| South Williamsport Community | | |
| Park Improvement Assoc. | Community Park Tennis Project | 20,000 |
| Way's Garden Commission | Historic Way's Garden Restoration | 20,000 |
| Williamsport Municipal Water | Pavilion & Picnic Shelter, Waterdale | |
| Authority | Environmental Education Center | 10,000 |
| Nippenose Twp. | Antes Fort Village Park Trail | 10,000 |

- Mr. McKernan mentioned that these projects are located all over the county, and involved a lot of fundraising. They will be great places to visit this summer. He extended good luck to all organizations toward their finished projects.
- Mr. Mussare said he appreciates the thanks offered to the County. But the real thanks should go to the local people. Communities have come together to make this successful. The Act 13 money has been well designed.
- Mr. Mirabito said that you did all the hard work. All these projects are for future generations. We live in a good place. Thank you!
- Mr. Mussare added his thanks to the Act 13 Committee who chose these projects.
- 2.2 APPROVE CASH REQUIREMENT REPORT. A motion by Mr. Mussare and seconded by Mr. Mirabito and passed (3-0), approved accounts payable cash requirement report through June 27, 2018 for payment on June 20, 2018 upon review and approval by Commissioners.
- <u>2.3 AWARD CONTRACT FOR BREAD PRODUCTS.</u> A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved contract for bread products to Bimbo Bakeries.
- 2.4 AWARD CONTRACT FOR FOOD PRODUCTS. A motion by Mr. Mussare and seconded by Mr. Mirabito and passed (3-0), approved contracts for food products on a per item as needed basis to the following: Keyco Distributors, Benjamin Foods, Sysco Food Services, LLC, and Feesers, Inc.
- 2.5 APPROVE PURCHASE FROM EAGLE EQUIPMENT CORP. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved purchase from Eagle Equipment Corporation for 5- New 2018 Recycling Containers in the amount of \$38,692.50 off of COSTARS contract.
- 2.6 AWARD CONTRACTS FOR HDPE PIPE ITEMS ETC. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved contracts for HDPE Pipe items and Gas Well Accessories and Portable Gas Extraction Monitor as follows:

Bid Price Schedule A to Core & Main in the amount of \$128,481.12 Bid Price Schedule B to QED Environmental Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$2,904.60 Bid Price Schedule C to QED Environmental Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$11,944.10.

- 2.7 APPROVE RENEWAL OF FULL COURT. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved renewal of Full Court licensing used in the Prothonotary's office in the amount of \$11,825. Karl Demi explained this is for Civil Case Management.
- 2.8 APPROVE PERSONNEL ACTIONS. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved the following personnel actions: Commissioners Tonya R. Anderson as full time replacement Executive Secretary Pay grade 5 \$29,679.54/annually effective 6/18/18.
- District Attorney full time replacement Assistant County Detective (NEU) AD \$21.98/hour effective 6/24/18.
- 2.9 APPROVE PSA WITH HUNTR AND LOMISON. A motion by Mr. Mussare and seconded by Mr. Mirabito and passed (3-0), approved professional service agreement with Hunter & Lomison for PRC generator not to exceed \$76,410.

Ken George explained this is a natural gas generator.

- Mr. Mussare said that the Maintenance Staff does a great job, are very skilled and saves the county money.
- Mr. Mirabito echoed that they have done a great job.
- 2.10 APPOINT TO SEDA COG BOARD OF TRUSTEES. A motion by Mr. Mussare and seconded by Mr. Mirabito and passed (3-0), approved David McKernan to SEDA CoG Board of Trustees with term expiration 4/28/21.
- Mr. McKernan said that David McKernan is a second cousin. There is no compensation received for this position.
- Solicitor Smith explained that second cousins are not part of the ethics act group.
- 2.11 APPOINT TO BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved Bob Moore to the Board of Assessment Appeals with term expiration of 12/31/21.
- Mr. Mussare said that this position is very important. This board reviews all taxation appeals.

5.0 REPORTS / INFORMATION ITEMS.

5.1 The Commissioners presented JWD awards to the following for their perseverance during the power outages during election day on May 15: Voters Services Staff:

Forrest Lehman Jill Shuman.

Mary Kay Camp Susan Johnson.

IS Staff

Leslie Kilpatrick.

Maintenance Staff

Ken George Dennis Straub.

DPS Staff

John Yingling Kelle Robinson Dan Dorman.

- 2.12 ADD RESOLUTION 2018-15 TO AGENDA. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. McKernan and passed (3-0), approved adding resolution 2018-15 to the agenda.
- 2.13 ADOPT RESOLUTION 2018-15. A motion by Mr. Mussare and seconded by Mr. Mirabito and passed (3-0), adopted resolution 2018-15 recognizing the Loyalsock Creek as 2018 River of the Year.
- Carol Parenzan, Middle Susquehanna Riverkeeper, invited the Commissioners to the celebration at Pier 87 on Friday June 22 at 7 p.m.
- **6.0 COMMISSIONER COMMENT.** Mr. McKernan opened the floor to commissioner comment and none were received.
- **7.0 PUBLIC COMMENT**. Mr. McKernan opened the floor to public comment and the following were received:
 - Scott and Jessica Mathias from Plunkets Creek are proud home owners. They moved here to be part of the outdoors in 2014. They learned on May 29 that PGE is going to clear cut a right of way that is immediately adjacent to their property. This will put their home and well at risk.
 - Karen Plankenhorn from Plunkets Creek also owns property adjacent to the proposed pipeline. She said that we can control unnecessary deforestation. She does not want to leave future generations with scarred landscape.
 - Matt Watts (& Chelsea) wrote a letter about the PGE proposed pipeline (Attachment A).
 - Karen Lindsay, Butternut GTrove Road moved here from the King of Prussia area. She is concerned with local business, residents and visitors. She wants to protect the area.
 - Adam K. Weilacher from Union City PA, a PGE employee discussed the plan for the Loyalsock Pipeline. The three lines would be located underground.
 - Brian Smith of South Williamsport also owns property in the area. He found a rattlesnake orchid there.
- **8.0 NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING.** Mr. McKernan announced the next regularly scheduled meeting as a work session on Tuesday, June 10, 2018.
- **9.0 ADJOURN COMMISSIONERS' MEETING**. A motion by Mr. Mussare and seconded by Mr. Mirabito and passed (3-0), adjourned the Commissioners' Meeting at 10:32 a.m.

Attachment A

There is something being planned that will affect many of us up Route 87. It will affect those of us who enjoy fishing, kayaking, and hiking just minutes from town on the Loyalsock. I know many of us in the county love the beauty of the Loyalsock valley and its mountains views. That's why I bought a home here for my family last spring.

PGE is planning to build pipelines. The pipelines will be highly visible for miles just minutes from Montoursville. They will be a visible scar for a great many years. People would see them stretch down Jacoby Mountain, under the Loyalsock, and up the mountains opposite. Driving up 87, just before reaching the head of our famous Loyalsock trail, along PA's River of the Year. I imagine you have seen the pipeline up the mountain in Trout Run. I didn't realize what a defacement it is until I saw it last week. These pipelines are huge and a tremendous eyesore, and will damage property values for some here.

This course of action is optional. Currently PGE has well pads on both sides of the Loyalsock Creek on State Forest Lands in Lycoming County in Plunketts Creek and Gamble Townships. Both areas (lease # 726 on Allegheny Ridge in Plunketts Creek Township and leases 723/724 in Gamble Township) have road access to the areas and <u>can</u> transport water by truck to those locations to support their drilling activities. Currently lease # 726 has a gas pipeline right-of-way laid out to transport gas down the south face of Allegheny ridge off State Forest Lands onto private properties in Upper Fairfield Township and tie into an already existing gas line. On lease's # 723/724 there is the option of running gas lines across State Forest Lands to the north and west to tie into already existing pipelines. The DCNR confirmed that PGE has in place or has a viable option to transport water and gas to and from their well pads on leases 723/724 and 726 without carving a pipeline down both slopes and under the Loyalsock Creek.

The crux of the matter:

As you know, DCNR has an obligation to protect and conserve the natural beauty of its State Forest Lands for ALL to enjoy, now and in the future. The DCNR has no obligation to provide the cheapest possible means for the gas or any other industry to conduct its business. The DCNR should deny any requests to build a pipeline from rim to rim on any portion of State Forest Lands in the Loyalsock Creek drainage.

Please speak up our local land! Growing up around here, with these incredible mountains near us, helped shape who you and I are as people. The beauty of the state forest mountains makes people want to live here and stay here.

WHAT TO DO? CALL. The following contacts at the DCNR have asked for feedback. They want to know how you feel about PGE's plans. They want your comments on this! Please call them; call again and again until they hear from you! Then call again in a week to check in. The Dept of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR):

- Stephanie Livelsberger. (phone): 717.783.3227
- Joe Engel. (phone): 570.946.4049

Email Rep. Garth Everett, Montoursville native and Muncy resident. geverett@pahousegop.com. Or Phone: 570-546-2084. Tell him about your feelings on a pipeline through the Loyalsock Valley!