

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 21, 2016

Commissioner Chairman Michael A. Baker called the regular meeting of the Indiana County Commissioners to order at 10:32 a.m. in the Commissioners Hearing Room.

ROLL CALL

Chairman Michael A. Baker, present
Commissioner Sherene Hess, present

Commissioner Rodney D. Ruddock, present

Also in attendance were Solicitor Michael T. Clark, Chief Clerk Robin Maryai and others. Members of the news media present were Randy Wells, Josh Widdowson and Greg Reinbold.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Baker led those present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

APPROVE MINUTES...DECEMBER 14, 2016

A motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of December 14, 2016 as submitted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

There were no Executive Sessions.

INDIANA COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY SECTION 8 MANAGEMENT

Dr. Bonni Dunlap, Director of the Housing Authority, was present and announced that the Housing Authority Section 8 Management Assessment Program Score for fiscal year ending June 30, 2016 is 100% and designation is High Performer. Dr. Dunlap said their staff of 13 employees went through many reviews that brought them up from a deficit to a high performer.

AGREEMENT...ASAP COURT REPORTING / DOMESTIC RELATIONS SECTION

At the request of Barb Rado, Domestic Relations Section, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve an agreement with ASAP Court Reporting at the rate of \$250.00 per full day, \$150.00 per ½ day. The contract period is from November 22, 2016 through September 30, 2020.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING...COUNTY OF ELK / JAIL

At the request of Lori Hamilton, Deputy Warden, a motion was made by Ms. Hess, seconded by Mr. Baker and carried unanimously to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between Indiana County and El, County to house adult offenders over the age of 18 years for Elk County at the rate of \$60.00 a day, per inmate.

RESOLUTION...FEADIBILITY STUDY FOR REGIONAL APPROACH TO TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

A motion was made by Ms. Hess, seconded by Mr. Ruddock and carried unanimously to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation has issued an offer to transit agencies in Indiana and Armstrong Counties to conduct a feasibility study for regional approach to transportation coordination, management and service delivery.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Indiana County Board of Commissioners supports the feasibility study to assess the viability of coordinating transportation services in Indiana and Armstrong Counties.

Adopted this 21st day of December, 2016.

INDIANA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Michael A. Baker, Chairman

Rodney D. Ruddock, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Robin Maryai, Chief Clerk

Sherene Hess, Commissioner

It is noted there is no obligation of financial support from Indiana County for the study. A letter has been received from John Kanyan, Executive Director of Indigo, supporting the study.

2017 GENERAL FUND BUDGET

A motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and unanimously carried to approve the following 2017 General Fund Budget:

Opening Balance.....	\$3,201,331
Total Revenues.....	\$37,944,172
Total Expenditures.....	\$41,145,506

The real estate tax will remain the same. This will allow a real-estate tax rate of 4.445 mills. 1.0 mill of 4.445 are applied to debt service with the remaining millage of 3.445 to general operating fund. The per-capita tax rate will remain at \$5.00.

2017 CAPITAL FUND BUDGET

Mr. Ruddock made the motion, seconded by Ms. Hess and unanimously carried to approve the Capital Fund Budget as follows:

Opening Balance.....	\$198,500
Total Revenue.....	\$18,000
Capital Fund Expenditures.....	\$216,500

2017 LIQUID FUELS BUDGET

Mr. Ruddock made the motion, seconded by Ms. Hess and unanimously carried to approve the Liquid Fuels Budget as follows:

Opening Balance.....	\$377,389
Total Revenue.....	\$392,047
Liquid Fuels Expenditures.....	\$769,436

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business

NEXT REGULAR MEETING...JANUARY 11, 2017 AT 10:30 A.M.

The next regular scheduled Commissioners' Public meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 11, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Hearing Room.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to come before the Board at this time, Commissioner Baker adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Sherene Hess, Secretary

Michael A. Baker, Chairman