

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 14, 2018

Commissioner Chairman Michael A. Baker called the regular meeting of the Indiana County Commissioners to order at 10:30 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 Matthew T. Budash, Chief Clerk Robin Maryai and others. Members of the news media present were Josh Widdowson, Greg Reinbold and Chauncey Ross.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

APPROVE MINUTES...JANUARY 31, 2018

A motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of January 31, 2018 as submitted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

There were no Executive Sessions

PROCLAMATION...SPAY DAY

After a proclamation was read by Ms. Hess, a motion was made, seconded by Mr. Ruddock and unanimously carried to declare that February 28, 2018 is Spay Day, and call on the citizens of Indiana County to observe the day by having their pets spayed or neutered or by sponsoring the spaying or neutering of a pet in need. Bonnie Adair and Jeanne Stelmak from SNIPP were present to accept the proclamation.

PROCLAMATION...BLACK HISTORY MONTH

After a proclamation was read, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to proclaim February, 2018 as Black History Month in Indiana County and urge community and government leaders, policy makers, the faith-based community, business people, educators, and all residents of Indiana County to celebrate the history and recognize the contributions of African Americans to our community, state, and nation. Herman Fisher, Bonnie Masilela, Sandy Williams and Anna Frank were present to accept the proclamation.

AGREEMENT AMENDMENT #2...FEDERAL ENGINEERING, INC. / EMA

At the request of Tom Stutzman, Emergency Management Agency, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve Agreement Amendment #2 with Federal Engineering extending it through 2018 and not to exceed \$10,000.00. The motion also allows Mr. Baker to sign on behalf of the Board.

EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN FOR CUMMINGS DAM / EMA

At the request of Tom Stutzman, Emergency Management Agency, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve the Cummings Dam Emergency Action Plan developed by Gibson Thomas Engineering under the direction of Ed Patterson, Director of Parks and Trails, and final review by Indiana County Emergency Management Staff. The motion also authorizes Mr. Baker to sign the Promulgation and Concurrency document.

2017-2019 ESG PROGRAM VENDOR SERVICES CONTRACT / PLANNING

At the request of LuAnn Zak, Office of Planning & Development, a motion was made by Ms. Hess, seconded by Mr. Ruddock and unanimously carried to enter into a contract agreement with the Indiana County Community Action Program (ICCAP) to provide services for the 2017-2019 ESG Program. ICCAP will be designated as the County's vendor for services through the 2017 ESG contract. The services to be provided include rapid-re-housing rental and financial assistance, data entry for the Pennsylvania Human Management Information System, (HMIS), and associated administrative services. The contract dates will coincide with the effective dates of the County's contract with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The contract term began January 1, 2018, and shall end on June 30, 2019 subject to all other provisions.

RESOLUTION – AUTHORIZATION TO FILE REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE CAPITAL PROGRAM E-RACP APPLICATION / PLANNING

At the request of LuAnn Zak, Office of Planning & Development and on behalf of the Alice Paul House Board of Directors, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to authorize the filing of a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RACP) e-RACP Application to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The County will serve as the grantee and "pass through" entity for purposes of the RACP Grant. The County through this resolution also pledges the value of the land as match for the RACP Grant and entering into a minimum 20-year long-term land lease agreement with Alice Paul House upon receipt of all construction funds.

The Application request will be for \$1.4 million to construct the new domestic violence shelter and administrative offices for the Alice Paul House. Sufficient match funds are in hand from multiple grant contracts, committed local funds and private donations from Indiana County and Alice Paul House. The total project costs for the new Alice Paul House facility are estimated to be \$3.2 million. Approval includes submission of a \$500.00 application fee. The e-RACP Applications are due by February 27, 2018.

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At the request of LuAnn Zak, Office of Planning & Development, on behalf of the Indiana County Development Corporation (ICDC), a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to authorize the filing of an e-RACP application for a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RACP) grant to the Office of the Budget, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The County will serve as the grantee and "pass through" entity for purposes of the RACP Grant. The ICDC will serve as sub-grantee and shall be responsible for providing documentation and securing matching funds for the project.

The application request will be for a maximum amount of \$5 million for RACP eligible costs, including but not limited to construction costs and interest during construction at the Windy

Ridge Business & Technology Park, located in White Township, at the intersection of SR 286 and US 422. The total costs for the project shall be no less than a \$1:\$1 match or a minimum of \$10 million. The e-RACP applications are due by February 27, 2018.

RESOLUTION...HUMAN SERVICES BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION / BDHP

At the request of Tammy Calderone, Armstrong Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program, a motion was made by Ms. Hess, seconded by Mr. Ruddock and unanimously carried to approve a Resolution authorizing the Armstrong-Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program, Armstrong-Indiana-Clarion Drug and Alcohol Commission and Indiana County Department of Human Services to file jointly for human services block grants. Ms. Calerone said the Resolution will allow the agencies to better collaborate and make full use of grant funding. She said rather than seeing individual agencies forced to return some unused grant funds, the agencies involved would be able to distribute unused funds to the others.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS...PLANNING COMMISSION

A motion was made by Ms. Hess, seconded by Mr. Ruddock and unanimously carried to appoint the following members to the Planning Commission:

Hugh E. Hudnall, Armagh, PA; term to expire January, 2020
Vera Bonnet, Marion Center, PA; term to expire January, 2021

COURTHOUSE CLOSED...MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2018 PRESIDENTS' DAY

Mr. Baker announced that the Courthouse will be closed on Monday, February 19, 2018 in observance of the Presidents' Day Holiday.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING...FEBRUARY 28, 2018 AT 10:30 A.M.

The next regular scheduled Commissioners' Public meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 28, 2018 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 11:04 a.m.

Sherene Hess, Secretary

Michael A. Baker, Chairman