

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 12, 2018

Commissioner Chairman Michael A. Baker called the regular meeting of the Indiana County Commissioners to order at 10:35 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 Rienbold and Chauncey Ross.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

APPROVE MINUTES...AUGUST 29, 2018

A motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of August 29, 2018 as submitted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

There were no Executive Sessions.

AGREEMENT...ZELENKOFKSKE AXELROD, LLC

At the request of Robin Maryai, Chief Clerk, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve a contract extension with Zelenkofske Axelrod, LLC to provide audit services to the County of Indiana for the years ending December 31, 2018, 2019 and 2020. The annual fees for these services will be as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>County Audit</u>	<u>Nursing Home Audit</u>
2018	\$57,980.00	\$11,230.00
2019	\$59,140.00	\$11,455.00
2020	\$60,320.00	\$11,685.00

**AGREEMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES,
OFFICE OF LONG-TERM LIVING AND INDIANA COUNTY/ COMMUNITIES AT
INDIAN HAVEN**

At the request of Kim Cobaugh, Communities at Indian Haven, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve participation in the Intergovernmental Transfer Agreement (IGT). The agreement is between the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services (DHS), Office of Long-Term Living and Indiana County provides for Intergovernmental transfers of funds to DHS in order to provide the non-federal share of Medical Assistance payments to the county nursing home. The county shall make a one-time payment in the amount of \$1,340,474.00. However, the county will receive back an

anticipated amount to be \$2,092,992.68. The period for this agreement is July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

AGREEMENT...PENNSYLVANIA COALITION OF AFFILIATED HEALTHCARE & LIVING COMMUNITIES (PACAH) / COMMUNITIES AT INDIAN HAVEN

At the request of Kim Cobaugh, Communities of Indian Haven, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve an agreement between the Pennsylvania Coalition of Affiliated Healthcare & Living Communities (PACAH) and Indiana County. This agreement allows the county to receive \$2,091,992.68 as part of the Intergovernmental Transfer Agreement.

PRIVATE PROVIDER AGREEMENTS FY 18-19 / CYS

At the request of Terrence Redd, Children & Youth Services, a motion was made by Ms. Hess, seconded by Mr. Ruddock and unanimously carried to approve a Private Provider Contract with, Edmund L. Thomas Adolescent Center, Erie, PA, Indiana PA for FY 18-19 to provide services to Children & Youth Services and Juvenile Probation on an as needed basis. They provide placement services.

At the request of Terrence Redd, Children & Youth Services, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and unanimously carried to approve a Private Provider Contract with Justice Resources Institute, Needham, MA for FY 18-19 to provide services to Children & Youth Services and Juvenile Probation on an as needed basis. They provide non-placement services.

At the request of Terrence Redd, Children & Youth Services, a motion was made by Ms. Hess, seconded by Mr. Ruddock and unanimously carried to approve a Private Provider Contract with, Outside/In School of Experiential Education, Inc., Greensburg, PA, Indiana PA for FY 18-19 to provide services to Children & Youth Services and Juvenile Probation on an as needed basis. They provide placement services.

TABLE CONTRACT AWARD: AULTMAN 4TH STREET STORM SEWER AND STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT / PLANNING

At the request of Dave Morrow, Office of Planning & Development, on behalf of Center Township Supervisors, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to table all bids received on September 5, 2018, for the Aultman 4th Street Storm Sewer and Street Improvements Project. This action is requested to allow additional time for the Engineer and Center Townships Supervisors to review and make recommendation of award based on the bids received. Two bids were received on the project ranging from low bid of \$232,370.22 to high bid of \$343,343.00. This project is being funded with Center Township Multi-Year CDBG Entitlement Funds.

RESOLUTION – CDBG COMPETITIVE AUTHORIZATION TO FILE / PLANNING

At the request of LuAnn Zak, Office of Planning & Development, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve a resolution that authorizes that a Competitive Community Development Block Grant be submitted to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development. The motion also allows Commissioner Baker to sign all necessary application forms. The application will request a total of \$750,000.00 of Competitive CDBG funds for the Alice Paul House (APH) Building Project. The Indiana County Commissioners allocated \$430,000.00 of their 2015 and 2016 CDBG Entitlement funds.

The proposed project will construct a 16,000 sq. ft. facility. The facility will include shelter for domestic violence victims and administrative offices. The estimated total construction costs are \$3.7 million. A total of \$2.7 million is secured for the project from multiple sources including a Capital Campaign by APH. All CDBG required public hearings and citizen participation requirements have been met for the application submission.

A \$300,000.00 NAP-SPP application was submitted in September 2018. UPMC of Pittsburgh is sponsoring the tax credit application for APH.

LIQUID FUELS - COUNTY AID – SALTSBURG BOROUGH / PLANNING

At the request of LuAnn Zak Office of Planning & Development, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to submit the necessary Liquid Fuels funding encumbrance to PennDOT District-10 for a total of \$26,255.00 Application for County Aid on behalf of Saltsburg Borough to partially offset eligible project costs for Route 286 Flood Mitigation Project. The proposed County Aid allocation represents approximately 9% of the total project costs with the remaining project funds provided by the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) Flood Mitigation Program and Saltsburg Borough.

HUMAN SERVICES PLAN FY 2018 – 2019 / DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

At the request of Lisa Spencer, Department of Human Services, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve the Human Services Plan Assurance of Compliance for FY 2018-2019. The total amount of the plan \$7,062,734.00. The budgets included in this plan are Armstrong-Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program, Armstrong-Indiana -Clarion Drug and Alcohol Commission and Indiana County Department of Human Services.

CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT...PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES ACT

At the request of Matthew Budash, County Solicitor, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to join a class-action lawsuit against the Federal Government for underpayment of its respective Payments In Lieu of Taxes Act (PILOT) entitlement for fiscal years 2015, 2016 and 2017. The lawsuit filed by Kane County in Utah said Congress did not appropriate sufficient funding to cover the PILOT payments and instead proportionally reduced the payments to eligible counties. Indiana County has been identified as a possible county that did not receive the full payment under the statute. Mr. Budash said there is no guarantee that we will receive any money but at the same time there is no cost to join this lawsuit. There are approximately 50 federally owned parcels in the county.

CONTRACT...50 MARKETING

A motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve a contract with 50 Marketing in the amount of \$29,662.00 for development and \$414.00 per month for hosting, security and maintenance. Marketing Consulting/Design/Development/Editing/Content Fees are at the rate of \$40.00 per quarter hour.

Mr. Bill Woods from 50 Market was present and said they are very excited about this opportunity to really reface the digital profile for Indiana County and improve the efficiency of the county's communication with constituents and make the county's visual presence online attractive to the outside world. It is noted that 50 Marketing is an Indiana County based business.

OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner Baker extended appreciation and admiration to the first responders in the rescue of an individual who fell directly into a sinkhole in Rayne Township. Mr. Baker also recognized the outstanding job IUP did for the Commemoration and Memorial Service for 9/11.

Commissioner Hess acknowledge Armstrong Indiana Drug and Alcohol Commissioner for their National recognition of the Warm-Hand Off Program.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING...SEPTEMBER 12, 2018 AT 10:30 A.M.

The next regular scheduled Commissioners' Public meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 26, 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 11:07 a.m.

Sherene Hess, Secretary

Michael A. Baker, Chairman