

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 22, 2023

Commissioner R. Michael Keith called the regular meeting of the Indiana County Commissioners to order at 10:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Hearing Room.

ROLL CALL

Chairman R. Michael Keith, present
Commissioner Robin A. Gorman, present
Commissioner Sherene Hess, present

Also, in attendance were Solicitor Matthew T. Budash and Chief Clerk Robin Maryai.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

APPROVE MINUTES...FEBRUARY 8, 2023

A motion was made by Ms. Hess, seconded by Ms. Gorman, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of February 8, 2023.

COVID UPDATE

Thomas Stutzman reported that the PADOH's weekly COVID case count for Indiana County, for the week ending February 15th totaled 63, this is a decrease over the previous week's totals. The CDC's COVID-19 Community Levels, through February 16th, remain at the "LOW" rate category for Indiana and all surrounding counties. The PADOH reported two additional COVID-19 related deaths since the last public meeting. This brings the total number of COVID related deaths in Indiana County to 392. The CDC continues to report increases in the rates of Bivalent Booster shots throughout the region. In the population of those 5 years of age and older, on average, in the six-county region, a 0.2% increase has been reported in last week's update. In comparison to the Full Vaccinated rate average, in the same period is 0% increase. The PADOH Seasonal Flu cases in Indiana County for week 6, of 2023, ending February 11, reported a total of 1,046 cases documented. The majority being Type A.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

There were no Executive Sessions.

BIDS (021723)...HOLIDAY LIGHT DISPLAYS / PARKS & TRAILS

At the request of Robin Maryai, Chief Clerk, a motion was made by Ms. Hess, seconded by Ms. Gorman and carried unanimously to approve the high bid received from Clair McAdams in the amount of \$4,700 for the sale of the fifteen Festival of Lights displays. A total of six bids were received.

PRIVATE PROVIDER AGREEMENTS FY 22-23 / CYS

At the request of Vicki Weaver, Children & Youth Services, a motion was made by Ms. Gorman, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve an agreement with Edmund L.

Thomas Adolescent Center, Erie, PA for FY 22-23 to provide services to Children & Youth Services and Juvenile Probation on an as needed basis. They provide non-placement services.

At the request of Vicki Weaver, Children & Youth Services, a motion was made by Ms. Hess, seconded by Ms. Gorman and carried unanimously to approve an addendum to the agreement with George Jr. Republic of Pennsylvania, Grove City, PA for FY 22-23 to provide services to Children & Youth Services and Juvenile Probation on an as needed basis. They provide non-placement services.

CHANGE ORDER #1...ELECTRICAL – CORONER RENOVATION PROJECT

At the request of Mike Yanity, Director of County Facilities, a motion was made by Mr. Keith, seconded by Ms. Gorman and carried unanimously to approve change order #1 for the electrical contract with Leverknight Electric in the amount of \$3,475.00. This change order will add two additional 5000-watt heaters for the garage area and the new Coroner Facility. The revised total of the contract is \$41,025.00.

REVOLVING LOAN FUND LOAN AMENDMENT / PLANNING

At the request of Angela Campisano, Office of Planning & Development, a motion was made by Ms. Hess, seconded by Ms. Gorman and carried unanimously to approve a subordination request for \$250,000 for Robert Gordon Industries LTD dba Gordon Sinclair and Gitt & Morgan Properties, LLC. This was a Revolving Loan Fund loan approved in 2017. Gordon Sinclair is a supplier of promotional bags, drinkware, gifts, and other assorted products which it decorates in its factory with the logos and advertising of its customers. Gitt & Morgan Properties, LLC is the real estate entity and owner of the property located at 771 Indian Springs Road. CNB Bank and the Altoona Blair Development Corporation Innovate PA 2.0 program will finance a roof replacement and CNB has asked the County to subordinate its current lien position on the real estate to accommodate the new debt. Robert Gordon Industries employs 62 full-time people. All other terms and conditions of the County's original RLF loan will remain the same. The application was reviewed and approved by Revolving Loan Fund Loan Review Committee.

GRANT ACCEPTANCE...PCCD – RASA GRANT FY 23-24 / DISTRICT ATTORNEY

At the request of Lexi Rieger, District Attorney's Office, a motion was made by Mr. Keith, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to accept the RASA Grant for Victim Notification in the amount of \$135,000.00.

BOARD APPOINTMENT...ARMSTRONG-INDIANA BEHAVIORAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM ADVISORY BOARD

A motion was made by Ms. Gorman, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to reappoint Joseph A. Buzogany, MD and Donna Clayton to the Armstrong Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program Advisory Board; terms to expire December 31, 2025.

BOARD APPOINTMENT...TRANSIT AUTHORITY

A motion was made by Ms. Gorman, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to appoint David Janusek to the Transit Authority; term to expire January, 2028.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING...MARCH 8, 2023 AT 10:30 A.M.

The next regular scheduled Commissioners' Public meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 8, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Hearing Room.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to come before the Board at this time, a motion was made by Ms. Gorman, seconded by Mr. Keith to adjourn the meeting at 10:42 a.m.

Sherene Hess, Secretary

R. Michael Keith, Chairman