The regular meeting of the Elk County Commissioners was held on Tuesday, January 3, 2017 immediately following the Reorganizational Meeting of the Commissioners. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Those present were Commissioners Matthew G. Quesenberry, Daniel R. Freeburg, Solicitor Tom Wagner, Chief Clerk Jean Zore and Recording Secretary Chris Lilja. Also present were Sheriff Todd Caltagarone, Ernie Mattiuz and three members of the press. Commissioner Jan Kemmer was absent.

Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the Minutes of the December 28, 2016 meeting, seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.

Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the Agenda, seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve (retro) the following two (2) year contracts with Vision Benefits of America:
 - i. VBA#28 original contract with no rate increase
 - ii. VBA#4183 (Buy-Up Vision) new contract Single employee pays \$4.67/monthly Family employee pays \$18.59/monthly

Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

2. Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve five (5) Veteran Burial Allowances and five (5) Headstone Allowances for the Veteran Affairs Office. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the following bills:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 85,190.34
PAYROLL	\$234,320.42
LIQUID FUEL	\$ 30,000.00
RECYCLING CTR BLDG FUND	\$ 22,610.00
GAS WELL IMPACT FEE	\$ 2,795.00
2015 CDBG	\$ 31,160.00
HAZMAT	\$ 60.78
911 WIRELESS FUND	\$179,516.39
NTRTP	\$ 26,554.48

Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

Pursuant to PA Act 14, the Borough of Ridgway will be submitting a permit renewal application for their water allocation permit from the PA DEP to continue to utilize water from the Big Mill Creek watershed.

Brockway Area Sewage Authority has applied to the PA DEP for issuance of a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit for Sewage Water Quality Management Part II Permit for sewage.

Domtar Paper Company, LLC notifies Elk County of its submittal of a plan approval application to PA DEP for the proposed economizer replacement on the Mill's Chemical Recovery Furnace.

GOOD OF THE COUNTY

The Elk County Sheriff's Office was recently featured in The Pennsylvania Sheriff Magazine. Chief Deputy Tom Fullem spoke to those in attendance at the Ridgway Elks Flag Day ceremony.

The Board of Trustees of the Rural Regional College of Northern Pennsylvania (RRC) is in search of an administrative center. The RRC will create an affordable, accessible, and open-admission educational institution to serve the communities in northern PA. The administrative site will house some RRC administrative functions and require office space and access to technology. This site may provide access to classrooms, computer labs, video conferencing equipment and other technical laboratory spaces. The location of this space must be within the rural region of the ninecounty delivery area of: Erie, Crawford, Warren, Venango, Forest, McKean, Potter, Elk and Cameron Counties. For more information contact Community Education Center of Elk/Cameron Counties, 4 Erie Ave., Suite 200, St. Mary's, PA 15857, Phone 814-781-3437 or cec@communityedcenter.com.

Ernie Mattiuz informed the Commissioners of his appointment to the American Farm Bureau Council stating that he will be working closely with the County Courthouse in the near future.

Please continue to pray for our military personnel, our families and our children, their teachers, all elected officials and peace in the world.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS QUESTIONS FROM TAXPAYERS ADJOURN MEETING

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Matt Quesenberry and seconded by Dan Freeburg.

ATTEST:		
	Chief Clerk	

Next Meeting Tuesday, January 17, 2017 10 a.m. Conference Room No. 2 Courthouse Annex Building The Elk County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 10 a.m. in Conference Room No. 2 at the Courthouse Annex. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and Scripture Reading Matthew 2:11. Those present were Commissioners Janis E. Kemmer, Chairperson, Matthew G. Quesenberry, Daniel R. Freeburg, Solicitor Tom Wagner, Chief Clerk Jean Zore and Recording Secretary Chris Lilja. Also present were Richard Gavazzi, Kim Frey, Greg GeBauer, Lee Neureiter, and two (2) members of the press.

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the Minutes of the January 3, 2017 meeting seconded by Matt Quesenberry and carried unanimously.

Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the Agenda seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION

Kim Frey, director of the Elk County Office of Elections and Voting Registration, reminded the Commissioners of a Candidates Night that will be held February 6, 2017 at 6 p.m. She said petitions can be obtained at the candidates night bur are not allowed to be circulated until February 14th. They can pick up their petitions in the Election Office at the Courthouse Annex. Two noteworthy seats, those of District Attorney Shawn McMahon and DJ Mark Jacobs will be contested in this year's elections. The municipal primary will be held May 16th.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve a 2017 Housing Contract between Elk County Prison and Erie County Prison. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 2. Dan Freeburg made a motion to appoint Cheryl Ruffner to represent Fox Township and Doug Ruffo to represent Benezette and Jay Township on the Elk County Planning Commission Board. Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 3. Matt Quesenberry made a motion to adopt an Addendum to the Elk County Drug-Free Workplace Personnel Policy Manual, seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.
- 4. Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve a Professional Service Agreement with Gelsick Home Inspection Services for the HOME Investment Partnership Program/Elk County Housing Rehabilitation Program. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 5. Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve a 3-year renewal contract for the Thomson Reuters print subscription for the Elk County Law Library, seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.
- 6. Dan Freeburg made a motion to adopt a Resolution, prepared by Solicitor Tom Wagner, for a four (4) year salary increase for the office of the elected City of St. Mary's Tax Collector:

Calendar Year	Annual Salary
2018	\$37,641.00
2019	\$38,394.00
2020	\$39,162.00
2021	\$39,946.00

Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

- 7. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the 2017 Service Contract, with a 2% salary increase, for George N. Daghir, Solicitor for Elk County Children & Youth Services. Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 8. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve twelve (12) Veteran Burial Allowances and eleven (11) Headstone Allowances for the Veteran Affairs Office. Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the following bills:

GENERAL FUND	\$3	316,710.80
PAYROLL	\$2	233,506.81
WORK RELEASE	\$	770.00
HSDF	\$	12,500.00
GAS WELL IMPACT FEE	\$	2,500.00
PHFA (PHARD GRANT)	\$	1,900.00
HAZMAT	\$	607.46
911 WIRELESS	\$	19,999.49
NTRTP	\$	3,482.75
DEBT FUND	\$	1,102.36

Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

Pursuant to Title 25, Subpart C, Article III, Section 127.462 of the Pennsylvania Code, GrafTech USA, LLC hereby notifies Elk County of its submittal of a Title V Operating Permit Modification Application to the PADEP concerning its facility located at 800 Thesesia St., St. Mary's PA.

PennDOT proposes to replace a deteriorated 36" diameter by 45' long corrugated metal cross pipe over Trib to Bennett Branch in Benezette Township.

GOOD OF THE COUNTY

Please continue to pray for our military personnel, our families and our children, their teachers, all elected officials and peace in the world.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS QUESTIONS FROM TAXPAYERS

ADJOUNR MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 10:22 a.m. on a motion by Dan Freeburg and seconded by Matt Quesenberry.

ATTECT		

Next Meeting Tuesday, February 7, 2017 10 a.m. Conference Room No. 2 Courthouse Annex Building The Elk County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at 10 a.m. in Conference Room No. 2 at the Courthouse Annex. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and Scripture Reading 1 Peter 5:5. Those present were Commissioners Janis E. Kemmer, Chairperson, Matthew G. Quesenberry, Daniel R. Freeburg, Solicitor Tom Wagner, Chief Clerk Jean Zore and Recording Secretary Chris Lilja. Also present two members of the press.

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the Minutes of the January 17, 2017 meeting, seconded by Matt Quesenberry and carried unanimously.

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the Agenda with one addition - #8 Korn Ferry (Hay Group) annual agreement. Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve a grant agreement between Elk County and PEMA in the amount of \$1,059,432.58 to be used towards the Northern Tier Regional Telecommunications Project. Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 2. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve a Professional Service Agreement between Elk-Cameron County Courts (59th Judicial District) and Capital Recovery Systems, Inc. Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 3. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve an Amended Service Agreement with The County of Elk, The Elk County Solid Waste Authority and The Elk County Conservation District for vacation/sick/comp time for Dave Stubber. Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 4. Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve thirteen (13) Veteran Burial Allowances, six (6) Widow Burial Allowances and thirteen (13) Headstone Allowances for Veteran Affairs. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 5. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve a Collection Agreement with Statewide Tax Recovery, Inc. for collection of delinquent taxes at no cost to the County. Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously. All tax collectors were informed of this and there were no objections from them.
- 6. Dan Freeburg made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2017-02 Establishing the annual compensation for the elected tax collectors in the various boroughs and townships beginning with all 2018 elected tax collectors at an increase of .05% for discount, face and penalty. Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 7. Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the use of the Courthouse Annex gym and kitchen for the Penn State Extension 4-H Summer Youth Program, seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.
- 8. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve an increase of \$432.00 per year for a total of \$14,856.00 for the Elk County Retirement Actuary with Korn Ferry (Hay Group), seconded by Matt Quesenberry and carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the following bills:

\$143,484.06
\$484,930.81
\$ 9,000.00
\$ 2,092.72
\$ 32,013.00
\$ 6.954.00
\$149,344.93
\$ 9,500.00

CDBG-C	\$ 266.13
2015 CDBG	\$ 5,969.28
2013 CDBG	\$ 3,518.33
HAZMAT	\$ 866.13
911 WIRELESS FUND	\$ 21,250.30
NTRTP	\$ 16,116.25
AFFORDABLE HOUSING	\$ 4,036.50
DEBT FUND	\$ 1.14

Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

Seneca Resources Corporation and in accordance with Act 14, p.l. 284, plans to submit an ESCGP-2 Permit Application to PADEP Northwestern Regional Office in Jones Township, Elk County, PA.

The City of St. Marys is submitting a PADEP General NPDES Permit for the Airport Industrial Park at the St. Marys Airport for development of commercial and industrial lots already established within the park. Some roadway improvements may be performed as needed. A previously constructed stormwater Management facility will be utilized that meets the City of St. Marys zoning ordinance.

GOOD OF THE COUNTY

In late January the County issued the annual \$500 checks from the Act 13 monies to each of the eight Elk County fire departments.

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QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS QUESTIONS FROM TAXPAYERS

ADJOURN MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 10:18 a.m. on a motion by Matt Quesenberry and seconded by Dan Freeburg.

ATTEST:		
	Chief Clerk	

Next Meeting
Tuesday, February 21, 2017
10 a.m. Conference Room No. 2
Courthouse Annex Building

The Elk County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at 10 a.m. in Conference Room No. 2 at the Courthouse Annex. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and Scripture Reading Psalm 98:6. Those present were Commissioners Janis E. Kemmer, Chairperson, Matthew G. Quesenberry, Daniel R. Freeburg, Solicitor Tom Wagner, Chief Clerk Jean Zore and Recording Secretary Chris Lilja. Also present were Brent Kemmer and three members of the press.

Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the Minutes of the February 7, 2017 meeting seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.

Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the Agenda seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Dan Freeburg made a motion to re-adopt the County of Elk Affirmative Action Plan adding the signature of Commissioner Matthew G. Quesenberry to replace June H. Sorg. This is mandated by the Federal Government. Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 2. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve a contract for FY 16-17 with Alternative Living Solutions for Elk County Children & Youth Services, seconded by Matt Quesenberry and carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the following bills:

GENERAL FUND	\$1	42,247.04
PAYROLL	\$2	35,229.41
DRUG & ALCOHOL	\$	89.87
GAS WELL IMPACT FEE	\$	5,000.00
HAZMAT	\$	802.86
911 WIRELESS FUND	\$	8,674.92
WMD	\$	200.00
NTRTP	\$	7,198.64

Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

The City of St. Mary's is submitting a PADEP General NPDES Permit for the Airport Industrial Park at the St. Mary's Airport for development of commercial and industrial lots already established within the park. Some roadway improvements may be performed as needed. A previously constructed Stormwater Management facility will be utilized that meets the zoning ordinance.

Seneca Resources Corporation and in accordance with Act 14 p.l. 284, is submitting to PADEP, Northwest Regional Office a General Permit No. 11 Registration for South Fork Straight Creek Bridge Replacement in Jones Township, Elk County, PA.

Morgan Advanced Materials is applying to PADEP, Bureau of Air Quality, to renew their State Only Operating Permit for facility at 441 Hall Avenue, St. Mary's PA. This notice is provided in accordance with Section 1905-A of the Pennsylvania Administrative Code as amended by Act 14 in 1984.

GOOD OF THE COUNTY

The Commissioners will be meeting with Greentree Landfill representatives this afternoon to get an update on the events that happened at the landfill on February 8, 2017.

Anyone running for local offices in Elk County can pick up petitions today in the Election Office at the Courthouse Annex.

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QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS QUESTIONS FROM TAXPAYERS

ADJOURN MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 10:08 a.m. on a motion by Matt Quesenberry and seconded by Dan Freeburg.

ATTEST:		
	Chief Clerk	

Next Meeting Tuesday, March 7, 2017 10 a.m. Conference Room No. 2 Courthouse Annex Building The Elk County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at 10:00 A.M. in Conference Room No. 2 at the Courthouse Annex. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Commissioners Janis E. Kemmer, Chairperson, Daniel R. Freeburg, Matt Quesenberry, Solicitor Tom Wagner, Chief Clerk Jean Zore and Kathy McClelland (filling in for Recording Secretary Chris Lilja). Also present were three members of the press.

Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2017 meeting, seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the Agenda with one addition of the signing of an agreement between the Commissioners and Attorney Frank Straub, seconded by Matt Quesenberry and carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Commissioner Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-03 certifying its local match for the Area Transportation Authority's State Operating Financial Assistance; Commissioner Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
 - Commissioner Jan Kemmer explained that \$56,652 is the counties match which is paid in quarterly increments to ATA. This is an annual contract for 2017-2018.
- 2. Commissioner Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve Paul McCurdy, Ridgway Borough Manager, to serve on North Central's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies Committee (CEDS); Commissioner Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
 - Commissioner Matt Quesenberry noted that Elk County has five seats on the board, which is responsible to meet and hear about economic development opportunities in the region and to suggest their alignment with available federal funding through North Central. Mr. McCurdy will represent Ridgway Borough. Other members include Kathie Dowie, Fox Township, Tina Gradizzi, City of St. Marys, Jodi Foster, Elk County Planning and Michelle Bogacki, Ridgway Township.
- 3. Commissioner Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve an agreement with Attorney Frank Straub to represent the Commissioners at a cost of \$150/hour; Commissioner Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
 - Commissioner Dan Freeburg added that this agreement with Attorney Straub is because the County's current Solicitor Tom Wagner is involved with representing many county offices and can't always serve in all capacities.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the following bills:

GENERAL FUND	\$:	209,162.23
PAYROLL	\$ 1	238,752.04
RECYCLING BLDG FUND	\$	44,831.85
REPOSITORY INSPECTION	\$	500.00
GAS WELL IMPACT FEE	\$	10,000.00
CDBG-C	\$	204.00
HAZMAT	\$	237.24
911 WIRELESS FUND	\$	2,529.70
NTRTP	\$	14,805.24

Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

OFFICE OF THE ELK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ELK COUNTY, RIDGWAY, PENNSYLVANIA

CORRESPONDENCE

GOOD OF THE COUNTY

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QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS

QUESTIONS FROM TAXPAYERS

ADJOURN MEETING

Dan Freeburg made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:08am; Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

Next Meeting
Tuesday, March 21, 2017 10 A.M.
Conference Room No. 2, Annex Building

ATTEST:_			_
	Chief Clerk		_

The Elk County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at 10:00 A.M. in Conference Room No. 2 at the Courthouse Annex. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Commissioners Janis E. Kemmer, Chairperson, Daniel R. Freeburg, Matthew Quesenberry, Solicitor Tom Wagner, Chief Clerk Jean Zore and Kathy McClelland (filling in for Recording Secretary Chris Lilja). Also present was District Attorney Shawn McMahon, Ernie Mattiuz, PA Farm Bureau and three members of the press.

Commissioner Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 7, 2017 meeting; seconded by Commissioner Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the Agenda; Commissioner Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

Presentation was given by Ernie Mattiuz, Pennsylvania Farm Bureau gave a brief explanation of the issues for action for the legislative committees for the PA Farm Bureau for 2017.

The Elk County Commissioners thank Ernie for being an excellent advocate for the PA Farm Bureau and for being a part of today's Commissioners meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Commissioner Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve an Agreement between the County of Elk and the Area Transportation Authority to participate in the Pennsylvania Medical Assistance Transportation Program (MATP); Commissioner Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Dan Freeburg added that MATP is an ongoing program.

- 2. Commissioner Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve an application to DEP for renewal of a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for sewage; Commissioner Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 3. Commissioner Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve a PCCD JRI Innovative Policing Grant Application/Contract for the Office of the Elk County District Attorney; Commissioner Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

District Attorney Shawn McMahon explained that he has received verbal approval from PCCD but is anxiously waiting for his award letter for approval to spend the funds allocated for his projects. With this grant, DA McMahon will be purchasing Cellbrite Technology which will benefit all law enforcement agencies in Elk County. This will give them the ability to extract evidence from cell phones locally and in a more expedited fashion compared to the present manner. The program will retrieve data from cell phones which will be helpful in many ways as we rely on our cell phones. The County Detective, Greg McManus will be working with this program as well. This program will cost \$15,990. DA McMahon also applied for 2 mobile tablets to be installed into police cars for the Johnsonburg Borough Police so they can have the most up to date information available to them. This equipment will cost \$7,435.

Commissioner Matt Quesenberry questioned if there was a county match for this grant.

DA Shawn McMahon answered that there is no match.

4. Commissioner Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve a contract between Elk County Children & Youth Services and Dr. Allen H. Ryen, Licensed Psychologist for FY 16-17; Commissioner Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Commissioner Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the following bills:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 232,158.01
PAYROLL	\$ 246,966.77
COUNTY OF ELK/DRUG & ALCOHOL	\$ 66.02
COUNTY OF ELK WORK RELEASE	\$ 1,557.00
RECYCLING BLDG FUND	\$ 860.15
CDBG-C	\$ 336.60
PHFA (PHARE GRANT)	\$ 4,325.00
HAZARDOUS MATERIAL RESPONSE	\$ 385.25
E-911 WIRELESS FUND	\$ 15,958.39
NTRTP	\$ 26,852.84

Commissioner Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

A memorandum informing the Initial Western Reception Center for the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections will transition from SCI Pittsburgh to SCI Greene.

Notice from SGL Carbon Group of its intent to apply for a Plan Approval to replace an existing Air Quality scrubber with a new model.

GOOD OF THE COUNTY

Please continue to pray for our military personnel, our families and children, their teachers, all elected officials, and peace in the world.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS

The press questioned DA Shawn McMahon regarding the amounts being distributed from the PCCD Grant.

DA Shawn McMahon responded that the Cellbrite Technology was \$15,990 and the Johnsonburg Boro Police will receive \$7,435 for mobile tablets.

The press questioned the Commissioners if the MATP was something they paid for with tax dollars.

Commissioner Dan Freeburg responded that the County is only pass through for the state dollars received.

QUESTIONS FROM TAXPAYERS

ADJOURN MEETING

Commissioner Dan Freeburg made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:24 AM; Commissioner Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

Next Meeting Tuesday, April 4, 2017 10 A.M. Conference Room No. 2, Annex Building

ATTECT.		
ATTEST:	Chief Clark	

The Elk County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at 10 a.m. in Conference Room No. 2 at the Courthouse Annex. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and Scripture Reading Mark 15:37-38. Those present were Commissioners Janis E. Kemmer, Chairperson, Matthew G. Quesenberry, Daniel R. Freeburg, Solicitor Tom Wagner, Chief Clerk Jean Zore and Recording Secretary Chris Lilja. Also present were Nancy Baker, Lee Neureiter and two (2) members of the press.

Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the Minutes of the March 21, 2017 meeting seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.

Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the Agenda with one correction: under Presentation, Planning Department will be rescheduled for the next Commissioners Meeting on April 18, 2017. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

Children & Youth Director Nancy Baker was presented with a Child Abuse Prevention Month Proclamation. Ms. Baker thanked the Commissioners and commented on the Purple Pin Wheels that have been placed on the grounds of the Courthouse and Annex Building to remind citizens of Child Abuse Prevention Month. She also said that Children & Youth Services is now on the Elk County website.

PComp Award – Chief Clerk Jean Zore was recognized by CCAP for her outstanding service with the County Workmen's Compensation Loss Control. Elk County has had the least Worker's Comp claims in the past year. The Commissioners thanked her for her diligence in this area.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve for the Elk County Probation Office:

FY 2017-2022 – Grant-In-Aid Funds Agreement

FY 2017-2022 - Supervision Funds Agreement

Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

- 2. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve a PAGO Grant for the Elk Country Visitor Center (KECA). Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 3. Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the Elk County Hotel/Room Tax Committee participation in a 2017 TV advertising co-op campaign with WJAC-TV. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 4. Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve the use of the Courthouse steps on May 4, 2017 for National Day of Prayer. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 5. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the following people to serve as voting members of the Elk County Family Resource Network (FRN) Collaborative Board:
 - i. Ms. Cortney Pahel, Dickinson Center, Inc.
 - ii. Ms. Fritz Lecker, Rep. Gabler's Office
 - iii. Ms. Amanda Balon, Big Maple Farms Natural Therapies
 - iv. Ms. Amy Gerhart, Northern Tier Community Action Group

Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

- 6. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve a request for Exoneration of 2014,2015,2016 Millstone Township Per Capita Taxes for Gale Clark. Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 7. Matt Quesenberry made a motion to approve fourteen (14) Veteran Burial Allowances, twelve (12) Widow Burial Allowances and thirteen (13) Headstone Allowances for the Veteran Affairs Office. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the following bills:

GENERAL FUND	\$14	19,632.78
PAYROLL	\$24	19,131.50
PHFA (PHARE GRANT)	\$	350.00
HAZMAT	\$	179.56
911 WIRELESS FUND	\$51	12,872.12
NTRTP	\$	3,536.23

Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation filed an application with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), requesting approval of the construction of National Fuel's YM28 and FM120 Modernization Project in Cameron, Elk and McKean Counties.

SWEPI LP is submitting an application for coverage under the Erosion and Sediment Control General Permit for Earth Disturbance Associated with Oil & Gas Exploration, Production, Processing or Treatment Operations Facilities from APDEP. Project consists of constructing stormwater improvement BMP's for the existing Warrant 3781 Well Site in Highland Township, Elk County, PA.

GOOD OF THE COUNTY

There will be no electronics collection at the Recycling Center in St. Mary's in April, it is Easter.

The Elk County Recycling Center, 850 Washington Street, St. Mary's PA will hold an Open House on Thursday, April 13, 2017 from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

A Route 219 (Ridgway-Johnsonburg Road) bridge, which spans Powers Run at the south end of Johnsonburg, Elk County, is scheduled to be replaced as part of the PennDot Rapid Bridge Replacement Project. Construction is expected to begin during the week of April 10th and be completed in September 2017. During this time, drivers will utilize a temporary roadway around the bridge.

The spring Act 13 awards will be announced at the next meeting on April 18, 2017.

Please continue to pray for our military personnel, our families and our children, their teachers, all elected officials and peace in the world.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS QUESTIONS FROM TAXPAYERS

ADJOURN MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 10:21 a.m. on a motion by Matt Quesenberry and seconded the Dan Freeburg.

Office of the Elk County Commissioner
Elk County, Ridgway, Pennsylvania

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ATTEST:		
	Chief Clerk	

Next Meeting Tuesday, April 18, 2017 10 a.m. Conference Room No. 2 Courthouse Annex Building e Elk County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at 10 a.m. in Conference Room No. 2 at the Courthouse Annex. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and Scripture Reading Proverbs 2:2. Those present were Commissioners Janis E. Kemmer, Chairperson, Daniel R. Freeburg, Solicitor Tom Wagner, Chief Clerk Jean Zore and Recording Secretary Chris Lilja. Also present were Jodi Foster, Tracy Gerber, Lee Neureiter and three (3) members of the press. Commissioner Matthew G. Quesenberry was absent.

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the Minutes of the April 4, 2017 meeting seconded by Jan Kemmer and carried unanimously.

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the Agenda with the addition of #4 – American Legion asking to use the Courthouse Lawn for a Memorial Day Service. Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION

With the possibility of federal cuts to the CDBG program in Pennsylvania, Elk County planning director Jodi Foster gave a grim scenario of what eliminating the funding could do to the county. She reported it could wind up eliminating federal funding for the CDBG as well as the HOME funding programs. These programs are important to Elk County to the tune of approximately \$200,000. She also said CDBG Coordinator Tracy Gerber applies for funding for programs for the county regularly, but each year those amounts dwindle, noting they will take whatever they can get. If the funds were taken away, it would affect not just Elk County, but 1,200 towns, cities and municipalities across the country.

On a positive note, Foster reported Ms. Gerber received the C. Riley Stoy Award for community achievement from the Pennsylvania Association of Housing and Redevelopment Agencies. Her work on obtaining a competitive grant in excess f \$300,000 for the water line replacement in Wilcox as a reason why she should obtain the award.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the following March 2017 Act 13 Grant Awards:

Fire Chief's Association (remote mics for 3 vehicl	es
In 4 departments	\$10,000
Ridgway Fire Department (master stream nozzle	\$ 4,100
Farm Bureau (educational trailer visit to area sch	nools) \$ 6,500
YMCA (tables & chairs for summer children's pro	gram) \$ 1,900
Benezette Township (PennDot) highway study)	\$10,000
Fox Township (sprinkler system in new building)	\$10,000
Wapiti Roost Chapter (food plots)	\$ 2,000
Toby Creek Watershed (grow-out tank for 5000 i	more fish) \$.3,000
St. Mary's Police Dept. (electronic speed alert sig	gn) \$ 2,500

Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

- Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve a Grant Agreement between the Pennsylvania Emergency
 Management Agency (PEMA) and the County of Elk for a Hazardous Material Emergency Preparedness Grant
 Program from September 30, 2016 through September 30, 2017 in the amount of \$8,000. (Retro). Jan Kemmer
 seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 3. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve a contract with Summit School, Inc. /Community Specialists, Corp. FY 16-17 for Children & Youth Services, seconded by Jan Kemmer and carried unanimously.
- 4. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the use of the Courthouse Lawn by the American Legion for a Memorial Day Service on May 29, 2017, seconded by Jan Kemmer and carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the following bills:

GENERAL FUND	\$550,603.93
PAYROLL	\$318,293.54
DRUG & ALCOHOL	\$ 148.43
WORK RELEASE	\$ 29,363.48
HSDF	\$ 12,500.00
HAP	\$ 6,955.00
TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT	\$ 415.15
HAZMAT	\$ 1,303.63
911 WIRELESS FUND	\$ 32,810.19
NTRTP	\$ 23,540.54

Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

Dominion Transmission, Inc. is applying for Notice of Intent authorization for coverage under the Erosion and Sediment Control General Permit (ESCGP-2). Dominion will be conducting maintenance activities along portions of the existing LN-20 natural gas pipeline right-of-way within McKean and Elk Counties involving construction mobilizations along two contiguous segments of the LN-20 pipeline system.

Stiffler, McGraw & Associates is planning to prepare and submit a Joint Application for a Pennsylvania Chapter 105 Water Obstruction and Encroachment Permit and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers section 404 permits to the PADEP, Northwest Regional Office for the Straight Creek Road over Straight Creek Structure Replacement Project in Jones Township, Elk County, PA.

GOOD OF THE COUNTY

Effective with the next Commissioners meeting, Commissioner Matthew G. Quesenberry will take over as Chairperson of the Commissioners.

Please continue to pray for our military personnel, our families and our children, their teachers, all elected officials and peace in the world.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS QUESTIONS FROM TAXPAYES ADJOURN MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m. on a motion by Dan Freeburg and seconded by Jan Kemmer.

Chief Clerk

Next Meeting Tuesday, May 2, 2017 10 A.M. Conference Room No. 2 Courthouse Annex Building The Elk County Commissioners met in special session on Wednesday, May 10, 2017 at 10 a.m. at the Elk County Emergency Services building. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of reflection for veterans and their families. Those present were Commissioners Matthew G. Quesenberry, Chairperson, Janis E. Kemmer, Solicitor Tom Wagner, Chief Clerk Jean Zore and Recording Secretary Chris Lilja. Also present were 911 Director Michael McAllister, Sheri Lovett, Diana Wolfe, Don Hoffman, Terri Nelson, Mike McGrady of MCM Consultants, Buck Mims, Tyler Technologies, and Charlie Stortz, Logistic Systems. Commissioner Daniel R. Freeburg was absent.

Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve the Minutes of the May 2, 2017 meeting seconded by Matt Quesenberry and carried unanimously.

Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve the Agenda seconded by Matt Quesenberry and carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Bid Opening – three bids were opened for the new CAD (Computer Aided Dispatch) Software:

Spherion (Sun Guard) - \$1,032,953.59 Tyler Technologies - \$1,946,558.00 Logistic Systems - \$4,164,891.00

Mike McGrady from MCM Consultants asked that the bids be tabled for 30 days so they can be reviewed. He will break down all three bids during that time and present them to the Commissioners at the June 20, 2017 meeting. Jan Kemmer made a motion that the bids be tabled until the June 20, 2017 meeting seconded by Matt Quesenberry and carried unanimously.

- 2. Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve The Driveway Company to re-finish the county parking areas at the Courthouse and Annex Buildings at a cost of \$1,889.00. Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 3. Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve, with regret, the resignation of Richard G. Gavazzi, Housing Specialist, in the Elk County Planning Department. Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

GOOD OF THE COUNTY

Medicine Collection Day at the Wilcox Senior Center on May 25, 2017.

Please continue to pray for our military personnel, our families and our children, their teachers, all elected officials and peace in the world.

QUESTIONS	FROM	THE PRESS
QUESTIONS	FROM	TAXPAYERS

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m. on a motion by Jan Kemmer and seconded by Matt Quesenberry.

ATTEST:_		
	Chief Clerk	

Next Meeting
Tuesday, June 6, 2017
10 a.m. Conference Room No. 2
Courthouse Annex

The Elk County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, June 20, 2017 at 10 a.m. in Conference Room No. 2 at the Courthouse Annex. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of reflection for veterans and their families. Those present were Commissioners Matthew G. Quesenberry, Chairperson, Daniel R. Freeburg, Janis E. Kemmer, Chief Clerk Jean Zore and Recording Secretary Chris Lilja. Also present were Mike McAllister, Mike McGrady, Lee Neureiter, Steve, Lisa and Michelle Bauer, Todd Like Warren County Commissioner and a representative from Tyler Technologies and two (2) members of the press. Absent was Solicitor Tom Wagner.

Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve the Minutes of the June 6, 2017 meeting seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.

Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve the Agenda seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.

AWARDING OF \$5,000 SCHOLARSHIP

The Elk County Commissioners awarded a \$5,000 scholarship from the Natural Gas Shale Association to Michelle Bauer. Ms. Bauer will study international business at Nova South-eastern in Fort Lauderdale. The scholarship is given once a year to a student who is entering the gas and oil field.

OLD BUSINESS

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the awarding of a \$2.2 million bid for the new Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) software for the Elk County 911 Center to Tyler Technologies of Troy, Michigan. Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

Consultant Mike McGrady noted state funding may be available for the project, as PEMA could provide 15% funding as it is considered a regional project. The service contract would amount to over \$1.89 million over the first 5 years, after which the county would need to reply for the maintenance costs. The project would save money going forward.

NEW BUSINESS

- Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve the use of the courthouse lawn for a service at 11 a.m. to noon on Sunday, July 30th by the Awakening Alliance Church followed by a lunch for the community. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 2. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve an application for county aid in the amount of \$7,000 from the Liquid Fuel Funds for the City of St. Marys to purchase 312.23 tons of 1b limestone. Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 3. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve a 2.5% wage increase for Thomas Coppolo, Agency Child Advocate for Elk County Children & Youth Services. Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 4. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve a Courthouse Lawn Agreement by the County of Elk for the usage of the Courthouse lawn at the Elk County Courthouse. Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve paying of the following bills:

GENERAL FUND	\$211,086.05
PAYROLL	\$236,150.24
DRUG & ALCOHOL	\$ 68.55
GAS WELL IMPACT FEE	\$ 10,900.00
PHFA (PHARE GRANT)	\$ 3,624.00

2015 CDBG	\$120,330.55
HAZMAT	\$ 6,436.18
911 WIRELESS FUND	\$143,780.58
NTRTP	\$ 14,347.47
DEBT FUND	\$ 3.59

Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

Seneca Resources Corporation and in accordance with Act 14, p.l. 284 is giving notice that a Joint Permit Application will be submitted to PADEP Northwest Regional Office for South Fork Straight Creek Bridge Replacement in Jones Township, Elk County.

NFG Midstream Trout Run, LLC is submitting an application for coverage under the Erosion and Sediment Control General Permit for Earth Disturbance Associated with Oil & Gas Exploration Production, Processing or Treatment Operations Facilities from PASDEP and satisfying the requirements of Acts 14, 67, 68 and 127 and the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code for a project in Jones Township, Elk County.

GOOD OF THE COUNTY

The regular Commissioners Meeting scheduled for July 3, 2017 has been cancelled. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 18, 2017.

Please continue to pray for our military personnel, our families and our children, their teachers, all elected officials and peace in the world.

At the City of St. Marys City Council Meeting the St. Marys Ambulance Association was congratulated for 50 years of service to the community. The Elk County Commissioners also would like to congratulate them.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS QUESTIONS FROM TAXPAYERS

ADJOURN MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 10:22 a.m. on a motion by Jan Kemmer and seconded by Dan Freeburg.

ATTEST:_		
	Chief Clerk	

Next Meeting Tuesday, July 18, 2017 10 a.m. Conference Room No. 2 Courthouse Annex Building The Elk County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, July 18, 2017 at 10:00 A.M. in Conference Room No. 2 at the Courthouse Annex. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Commissioner Matthew Quesenberry, Chairperson, Commissioner Daniel R. Freeburg, Solicitor Tom Wagner, Chief Clerk Jean Zore and Kathy McClelland (filling in for Recording Secretary Chris Lilja). Also present was Mike McAllister, EMA Director, representatives from MCM Consulting and Century Link, Lee Neureiter, IT, Patty Dillinger, Emily Dillinger, Andy Hathorn, Elk Co Probation, John Cerroni and one member of the press.

Commissioner Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2017 meeting; seconded by Commissioner Matt Quesenberry and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the Agenda; Commissioner Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

AWARDING OF SCHOLARSHIPS

Commissioner Quesenberry stated that Elk County has the opportunity to award 2 additional scholarships through the Act 13 Legislation that was approved by the state in 2013. The unconventional gas well industry impact fees that come to Pennsylvania have been distributed by a formula back out into communities including Elk County. Elk County Commissioners decided to solicit applications for scholarships for students continuing their education relating to the gas industry. Commissioner Quesenberry thanked Emily Dillinger and John Cerroni for their interest in this annual scholarship.

ommissioner Freeburg commended Emily Dillinger and John Cerroni for their excellent applications. He felt very proud to be able to help students in this capacity.

NEW BUSINESS

Mike McAllister explained that they are 5 years into our current regional 9-1-1 Center system that supports the northern counties in Pennsylvania. He said that the system and equipment is in need of a "refresh" which is the first part of the bid. The second part of the bid is to look for a contractor to maintain the 10 county system. An RFP was advertised for the refresh of the hardware and maintenance for the system currently in place.

Two (2) bids were received for the Regional Airbus DS Geo Diverse Vesta 7x Upgrade, Installation, Warranty, Maintenance and Training Solution.

Bid #1 received July 12, 2017 @ 9:25 AM from Frontier 9-1-1 Public Safety: Option #1 — Equipment \$875,240.79, Installation \$184,161.78, Engineering included, Project Management \$45,393.26, Training \$34,792.61, 1 Year Prepaid Maintenance \$442,738.26, 5 Year Prepaid Maintenance \$1,838,274.68, 1 Year Post Paid Maintenance \$442,738.26, 5 Year Post Paid Maintenance \$2,014,979.49. Option #2 — Equipment \$875,240.79, Installation \$184,161.78, Engineering included, Project Management \$45,393.26, Training \$34,792.61, 1 Year Prepaid Maintenance \$402,738.26, 5 Year Prepaid Maintenance \$1,638,274.68, 1 Year Post Paid Maintenance \$402,738.26 and 5 Year Post Paid Maintenance \$1,796,979.49.

Mike McAllister noted that the Hardware bids are identical for Option #1 and Option #2, the maintenance options will differ according to choice.

Bid #2 received July 12, 2017 @ 2:15 PM from Century Link: Equipment \$616,135.87, Installation \$72,049.28, Engineering \$121,433.00, Project Management \$10,165.00, Training \$22,736.88, 1 Year Prepaid Maintenance

\$275,212.64, 5 Year Prepaid Maintenance \$1,051,681.55, 1 Year Post Paid Maintenance \$275,212.64 and 5 Year Post Paid Maintenance \$1,224,960.50.

- 1. Commissioner Dan Freeburg made a motion to table the bids received until the next Commissioners Meeting August 15, 2017 from Frontier 9-1-1 Safety and Century Link for a Regional Airbus DS Geo Diverse Vesta 7x Upgrade, Installation, Warranty, Maintenance and Training Solution; Commissioner Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 2. Commissioner Dan Freeburg made a motion to appoint Mr. Gene Williams to serve on the Board of Directors of Alcohol & Drug Abuse Services, Inc. His Term begins upon appointment; Commissioner Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 3. Commissioner Dan Freeburg made a motion approve retro, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts and Elk-County, which participates together with Forest and Jefferson Counties in the regional drug court; Commissioner Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

Andy Hathorn explained that Regional Drug Court is new to Elk County but the Drug Court has been in existence since 1989. There are approximately 50 Drug Courts in Pennsylvania. Regional Drug Courts were started for counties that don't have the numbers and are more rural areas. A senior judge conducts the hearings every two weeks; the treatment team which consists of Alcohol & Drug Abuse Services, Elk County Probation, Coordinator, District Attorney and Public Defender. The Treatment Team reports to the senior judge the progress of the participants. Requirements of the participants are to complete and attend treatment, intensive probation supervision, weekly home visits and urine screens. Program is designed to keep addicted users clean long term.

Commissioner Matt Quesenberry questioned if anyone has participated in the program.

Andy Hathorn answered that they have two participants; there are four phases to the program which is an 18 month program. The first participant has graduated from phase 1 and entering phase 2. The second participant was taken out of the program due to substance abuse, job loss and not attending treatment.

Commissioner Matt Quesenberry added that the Regional Drug Court was given \$45,000 to be used between Elk, Forest and Jefferson Counties for Regional Drug Court costs. The counties can request \$1,500 for each new participant in the treatment program.

4. Commissioner Dan Freeburg made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2017-04 On Behalf Of Ridgway Borough Fair Housing, naming Kathy McClelland as the local Fair Housing Officer; Commissioner Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

Tracy Gerber stated that the Fair Housing Officer services all of Elk County. Having the Fair Housing Officer is a requirement through the CDBG Program.

Commissioner Dan Freeburg added that the City of St. Marys has their own officer.

5. Commissioner Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve applications for County Aid in the amount of \$7,000 each from the Liquid Fuel Funds to: Spring Creek Township to purchase a new plow truck to replace one which will not pass inspection and Ridgway Township to pave T343 German Settlement Road; Commissioner Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

- 6. Commissioner Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve fifteen (15) Veteran Burial Allowances, one (1) Widow Burial Allowance and eleven (11) Headstone Allowances for the Veteran Affairs Office; Commissioner Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 7. Commissioner Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement between Elk County Board of Commissioners, Elk County Sheriff's Department and Court of Common Pleas of Elk County, Domestic Relations Section to provide law enforcement personnel to serve bench warrants, provide security and perform various other duties on behalf of DRS; Commissioner Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried
- 8. Commissioner Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve two contracts for Children & Youth Services, (1) FY 16-17 for Central Counties Youth Center and (1) FY 16-17 NHS Pennsylvania; Commissioner Matt Quesenberry
- 9. Commissioner Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the use of the Courthouse lawn by the Ridgway Main Street Program on July 21st, August 25th, September 22nd and October 27, 2017; Commissioner Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously. APPROVAL OF BILLS

Commissioner Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the following bills:

GENERAL FUND	. In ove the followi	ng bills:
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COUNTY OF ELK/DRUG &	ALCOHOL	\$ 514,042.43 \$ 479,253.19
GAS WELL DAD LOS	ELEASE	\$ 480.26
PHFA (PHARE CDA)		\$ 8,228.77
		\$ 1,900.00
HAZMAT		<i>₱</i> 9,831.99
E-911 WIRELESS FUND		\$ 800.30
		\$ 8,798.11
NTRTP		\$ 21,531.37
AFFORDABLE HOUSING		\$ 2,785.00
HOUSING REHAB PROGRAM		\$ 74,464.83
		\$ 2,665.66
Matt Quesenberry second		\$ 4,988.39

nissioner Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

al Fuel gas has applied for a permit for PADEP for the proposed project area located along Arkansas Lane at the crossing of South Branch Island Run at the NFG Compressor Station in Ridgway Township, Elk County.

Il Fuel Gas intends to submit a Chapter 105 GP11 & 8 application to PADEP, Northwest Regional Office as well as on and Sediment Control General Permit 2 for Disturbance Associated with Oil and Gas Exploration, Production, ng or Treatment Operations or Transmission Facilities to Elk County Conservation District in Jones Township, Elk

¹ Swackhammer is submitting a General Permit 7 to Flk County Consortation Di

NFG Midstream Trout Run LLC is submitting an application for coverage under the Erosion and Sediment Control General Permit for Earth Disturbance Associated with Oil and Gas Exploration, Production, Processing or Treatment Operations Facilities from PADEP and satisfy the requirements of Acts 14, 67, 68, 127 and PA Municipalities Planning Code for Clermont Keyhole Pipeline from Johnsonburg, Jones Township, Elk County.

Diversified Gas and Oil, PLC will be applying for permit coverage from PADEP to install temporary road crossings across a wetland for access to plug a natural gas well in Ridgway Township, Elk County.

Seneca Resources Corporation and in accordance with Act 14, p.l. 284, notice is given that a Joint Permit Application will be submitted to PADEP, Northwest Regional Office for bridge replacement that carries Briggs Hollow Road, Millstone Township, Elk County.

Benezette Township is making application for the replacement of a stormwater pipe under Second Street in Benezette Township, Elk County.

GOOD OF THE COUNTY

This summer, Life and Independence for Today (LIFT) and the legislative office of State Representative Matt Gabler are sponsoring their 4th Annual Disability and Senior Resource Expo on Wednesday, July 26, 2017. It will be held from 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM at the Edgewood Hall, 717 South St. Marys Street in St. Marys. For questions or information, contact Fritz Lecker at St. Marys legislative office (814) 781-6301, or Hope Weichman at LIFT at (814) 781-3050, ext. 200.

Please continue to pray for our military personnel, our families and our children, their teachers, all elected officials and peace in the world.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS

Question was asked of when the Drug Court started and any background information regarding it.

Question was asked how you can participate in the Regional Drug Court Treatment Program.

It was recommended to contact Andy Hathorn, Elk County Probation.

QUESTIONS FROM TAXPAYERS

ADJOURN MEETING

Commissioner Dan Freeburg made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:37 AM; Commissioner Matt Quesenberry seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

Next Meeting Tuesday, August 15, 2017 10:00 A.M. Conference Room No. 2, Annex Building

ATTEST: Jean & Zozo

COUNTY OF ELK

OMMISSIONERS

Matthew G. Quesenberry Daniel R. Freeburg Janis E. Kemmer 300 Center Street, P.O. Box 448 Ridgway, PA 15853-0448 Telephone: (814) 776-1161 Fax: (814) 776-5379 www.co.elk.pa.us

Jean Zore, Chief Clerk Thomas G. Wagner, Solicitor

COUNTY OF ELK AND On behalf of (OBO) RIDGWAY BOROUGH FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION NO. 2017-04

LET IT BE KNOWN TO ALL PERSONS, of the County of Elk and Ridgway Borough that discrimination in the sale, rental, leasing, financing of housing or land to be used for construction of housing, or in the provision of brokerage services because of race, color, sex, national origin, religion, familial status (families with children), or handicap (disability) is prohibited by TITLE VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Federal Fair Housing Law) and the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act adds the additional protected classes of age and ancestry. It is the policy of the County of Elk and Ridgway Borough to implement programs to ensure equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of race, color, sex, national origin, religion, familial status (families with children) handicap (disability), age and ancestry. Therefore, the County of Elk and "OBO" Ridgway Borough does hereby approve the following resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED, that within available resources the County of Elk and Ridgway Borough will assist all persons who feel they have been discriminated against because race, color, sex, national origin, religion, familial status (families with children), handicap (disability), age and ancestry to seek equity under federal and state laws by filing a complaint with the local Fair Housing Officer, Kathy McClelland, Elk County Planning Department, P.O. Box 448, 300 Center Street, Ridgway, PA 15853, Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, whichever is chosen by the person filling the complaint.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County of Elk and "OBO" Ridgway Borough shall make publically known this Resolution and through this publicity shall cause owners of real estate, developers, and builders to become aware of their respective responsibilities and rights under the Federal Fair Housing Law, the Pennsylvania Human Resources Act, and any local laws and ordinances.

FURTHER ACTION will at a minimum include, but not limited to:

- (1) Publicizing the name and contact information of the local Fair Housing Officer, which will include the process to file a complaint if a person feels they have been discriminated against in housing in any manner and other applicable fair housing information through local media and community contracts; and
- (2) Conduct at least one fair housing activity annually to better inform the public of their rights under the Fair Housing Law and Pennsylvania Human Relations Act; and
- (3) Use the fair housing logo on all materials dealing with housing programs such as but not limited to: Public advertisements for vacancy or discussing the program, Applications for assistance, Contracts, Municipal letters dealing with the federal programs.

The Elk County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, August 15, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in Conference Room #2 at the Courthouse Annex. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Chairman Matthew Quesenberry, Commissioner Janis Kemmer, Solicitor Tom Wagner, Chief Clerk Jean Zore. Also present were Pete Weidenboerner, Katie Weidenboerner, Mike McAllister, Chief Deputy Jim Borza, Jeff Holcomb from E&M Engineers, Tracy Gerber, Ernie Mattiuz, Farm Bureau, Lee Neureiter

Commissioner Kemmer made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2017 meeting; seconded by Commissioner Quesenberry and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Kemmer made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of item #12 Annual Elk County Hazmat contract, seconded by Commissioner Quesenberry and carried unanimously

OLD BUSINESS

EMA Director Mike McAllister explained that the money for the Airbus DS Geo-Diverse Vest 7x Upgrade system that was tabled at the July 18, 2017 Commissioners meeting has not received final approval from the State. He stated that this money should be awarded in September or October 2017. Commissioner Kemmer made a motion to table the bid opening until the money is available, seconded by Commissioner Quesenberry and carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Tracy Gerber CDBG Coordinator presented 5 bids for the Jones Township Waterline Replacement, as follows:

Dave Roman, Excavating Corp., Reynoldsville, PA\$324,720Guyer Brother corp., New Enterprise, PA\$365,986Pollad Land Services, Girard, PA\$303,314Mealy Excavating & Construction, Tionesta, PA\$376,909.50Bob Cummins Construction, Bradford, PA\$415,239

After review of the bids by Tracy Gerber and Engineer Jeff Holcomb, Commissioner Kemmer made the motion to grant the award to Pollad Land Services, seconded by Commissioner Quesenberry and carried unamiously.

The Elk County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 10 a.m. in Conference Room No. 2 at the Courthouse Annex. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Reflection for Veterans and Their Families. Those present were Commissioners Matthew G. Quesenberry, Chairperson, Daniel R. Freeburg, Janis E. Kemmer, Solicitor Tom Wagner, Chief Clerk Lee Neureiter and Recording Secretary Chris Lilja. Also present were Warden Greg GeBauer, C&Y Director Nancy Baker and Mayor of St. Marys Robert Howard.

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the Minutes of the August 15, 2017 meeting seconded by Jan Kemmer and carried unanimously.

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the Agenda with the addition of #7, Approval of the Children & Youth 2018-2019 Budget with a County match of \$375,635.08. Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Jan Kemmer made a motion to table the awarding of bid for Airbus DS Geo-Diverse Vesta 7x Upgrade until the money is available from the state. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve a 2017 Housing Contract between Elk County Prison and Allegheny County Prison at a rate of \$135/day. Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously. Warden GeBauer explained that Allegheny County can provide psychiatric care for inmates and juvenile offenders not available here.
- 2. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the Emergency Management Performance Grant Agreement (retro) to offset salaries; seconded by Jan Kemmer and carried unanimously.
- 3. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve applications for county aid in the amount of \$7,000 each from the Liquid Fuel funds for:
 - i. Benezette Township purchase F550 dump truck
 - ii. Highland Township tires, heater, brush guard, chains for various equipment Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 4. Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve a 2017 Grant-In-Aid application and agreement for the Elk County Probation Department for \$46,823.00. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 5. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve Natural Gas Sales Agreement between Elk County and Open Fuel Energy for a term extending between September 1, 2017 and August 31, 2019. Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 6. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve Act 13 Marcellus Shale Fall 2017 Grant Awards to the following:

i.	St. Marys Sportsmen	\$ 5,000.00
ii.	Johnsonburg Fire Department	\$ 3,500.00
iii.	Bennett's Valley Senior Center	\$ 3,000.00
iv.	Benezette Township	\$ 4,300.00
٧.	Ridgway Ambulance	\$ 4,761.00
vi.	Wilcox Fire Department	\$ 8.970.00
vii.	WPA Conservancy	\$ 6,150.00
viii.	Jay Township	\$10,000.00
ix.	Bennett's Valley Ambulance	\$ 4,256.00

Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

7. Children & Youth Director Nancy Baker gave the Commissioners an overview of the 2018-2019 budget, explaining the 15% increase due to referrals for out of home care and the overmatch of \$108,801.00; with the potential of getting this money back in the future. She thanked them for the \$375,635.08 county match to be used for several projects.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the following bills:

GENERAL FUND	\$3	384,392.54
PAYROLL	\$	706,615.23
LIQUID FUEL	\$	21,000.00
LIQUID FUEL ACT 144	\$	12.02
DRUG & ALCOHOL	\$	82.50
WORK RELEASE	\$	2,404.44
HSDF	\$	12,500.00
HAP	\$	6,954.00
REPOSITORY INSPECTION	\$	500.00
CDBG-C	\$	6,793.50
HAZMAT	\$	4,695.35
911 WIRELESS	\$	16,622.65
WMD	\$	250.46
NTRTP	\$	19,529.65
HOUSING REHAB	\$	945.61
DEBT FUND	\$	4.54

Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation, and in accordance with Acts 14,67,68 and 127, AECOM is notifying of National Fuel's intent to seek coverage from PADEP for utility line stream crossings and temporary road crossings on State Route 255, Jay Township, Elk County, PA.

Duffy, Inc/CJ Wallace Engineering intends to submit an application to PADEP for application for proposed installation of a culvert crossing for a timber harvest/recreational forest road (Boggy Run Water Obstruction/Encroachment) in Horton Township, Elk County, PA.

NFG Midstream Trout Run, LLC is submitting an application for coverage under the Erosion and Sediment Control General Disturbance Associated with Oil & Gas Exploration, Production, Processing or Treatment Operations Facilities from PADEP and satisfying the requirements of Acts 14,67,68 and 127 and the Pennsylvania Municipalities Code for Clermont Keyhole Pipeline for Jones Township, Elk County, PA.

GOOD OF THE COUNTY

Commissioner Quesenberry and Chief Clerk Lee Neureiter attended a community forum with the District Attorney, Sheriff and Drug & Alcohol Abuse Services having to do with the county drug and alcohol issues in Elk County.

The Commissioners congratulated the City of St. Marys for a successful Fall Fest and 175th Anniversary parade.

City of St. Marys Mayor Bob Howard updated the Commissioners on the flood control issues in Elk County. He stated that significant work has been done and will continue to be done to improve these issues in areas of St. Marys and surrounding townships.

September 19, 2017

Please continue to pray for our military personnel, our families and our children, their teachers, all elected officials and peace in the world.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS QUESTIONS FROM TAXPAYERS

ADJOURN MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 10:38 am	n on a motion by Dan	Freeburg and second	led by Jan Kemmer.

ATTEST:		
	Chief Clerk	

Next Meeting Tuesday, October 3, 2017 10 A.M. Conference Room No. 2 Courthouse Annex Building The Elk County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 10 a.m. in Conference Room No. 2 at the Courthouse Annex. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Reflection for Veterans and Their Families. Those present were Commissioners Matthew G. Quesenberry, Chairperson, Daniel R. Freeburg, Janie E. Kemmer, Solicitor Tom Wagner, Chief Clerk Lee Neureiter and Recording Secretary Chris Lilja. Also present were Treasure Peggy Schneider, Pete Weidenboerner, Marcia Dippold and one member of the press.

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the Minutes of the September 19, 2017 meeting, seconded by Jan Kemmer and carried unanimously.

Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve the Agenda with one correction #7 – Resolution No. 2017-04 changed to Resolution No. 2017-05; and #10 – Approve a new lease for District Justice Mark Jacobs office in St. Marys, Pa. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION – National Disability Employment Awareness Month – Marcia Dippold from Dickinson Center read the Proclamation and thanked the Commissioners.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Jan Kemmer made a motion to table the awarding of a bid for Airbus DS Geo-Diverse Vesta 7x Upgrade until the money is available from the state. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the Proclamation National Disability Employment Awareness Month, seconded by Jan Kemmer and carried unanimously.
- 2. Jan Kemmer made a motion to appoint Lee Neureiter as Elk County's Section 504-ADA (Americans with Disability Act) Coordinator. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 3. Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve Elk County's Medical Assistance Transportation Program (MATP) Grant Agreement for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 in the amount of \$626,726.00 (retro). Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 4. Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve a COSTARS Member Agreement for electricity procurement services for the County of Elk (retro). Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 5. Jan Kemmer made a motion to re-appoint Michael Hovatter for another 4-year term on the Board of Directors of the Elk County Conservation District, seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.
- 6. Jan Kemmer made a motion to appoint Commissioner Matthew G. Quesenberry for a one year term on the Board of Directors of the Elk County Conservation District, seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.
- 7. Dan Freeburg made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2017-05 PHARE/Act 13 of 2012 Impact Fee Act; applying for \$38,000 to assist in helping persons with disabilities. Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 8. Jan Kemmer made a motion to appoint Mr. Chris Gabriel of Cafardi, Ferguson, Wyrick, Weis & Stotler to be special counsel for Elk County labor relations. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 9. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the following individuals to serve on the Family Resource Network Board as voting members:
 - i. Mr. Lance Hawkins Epic Health Services
 - ii. Ms. Heather McMahon-Vargus Ridgway Area School District
 - iii. Ms. Liz Scacchitti Elk Council of the Arts

Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

10. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve a lease agreement for District Justice Mark Jacob office with Louis A. Coppa, Elizabeth M. Coppa for one (1) year retro to October 1, 2017 in the amount of \$1,494.68/month. Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve the following bills:

GENERAL FUND	\$274,071.94
PAYROLL	\$230,144.39
LIQUID FUEL	\$ 14,000.00
DRUG & ALCOHOL	\$ 66.15
WORK RELEASE	\$ 500.00
GAS WELL IMPACT FEE	\$ 615.00
HAZMAT	\$ 760.00
911 WIRELESS	\$ 22,719.05
NTRTP	\$ 43,864.46

Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

PennDOT Elk County Maintenance Forces intends to submit a General Permit Registration for a GP-3, Bank Rehabilitation Permit for a section of stream bank and retaining wall on S.R. 1008, West Creek Road, in the City of St. Marys, PA.

National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation is proposing a project to modernize segments of its system in Cameron, Clearfield, Elk, McKean and Potter counties.

Pursuant to Title 25, Subpart C, Article III, Section 127.413 of the Pennsylvania Code, E-Carbon America, LLC hereby notifies Elk County of its submittal of a Plan Approval Application to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) concerning its graphite product manufacturing facility located at 806 Theresia Street in St. Marys, Elk County, PA.

GOOD OF THE COUNTY

Please continue to pray for our military personnel, our families and our children, their teachers, all elected officials and peace in the world.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS QUESTIONS FROM TAXPAYERS

ADJOURN MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 10:32 a.m. on a motion by Jan	an Kemmer and seconded by	[,] Dan Freeburg
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ATTEST:		
	Chief Clerk	

Next Meeting Tuesday, October 17, 2017 10 A.M. Conference Room No. 2 Courthouse Annex

The Elk County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, November 6, 2017 at 10 a.m. in Conference Room No. 2 at the Courthouse Annex. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of reflection for veterans and their families. Those present were Commissioners Matthew G. Quesenberry, Chairperson, Daniel R. Freeburg, Janis E. Kemmer, Solicitor Tom Wagner, Chief Clerk Lee Neureiter and Recording Secretary Chris Lilja. Also present were Leslie Neal, Peggy Schneider, Daniel Remer and one member of the press.

Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve the Minutes of the October 17, 2017 meeting, seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.

Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve the Agenda, seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION

Leslie Neal, Director Veteran Affairs – In partnership with the National Association of Counties, the National Flag Foundation and the National Sheriff's Association, Elk County has installed a flag retirement box, at no cost to the county, at the Elk County Courthouse Annex, in the hallway directly outside the Veteran's Affairs Office, the Elk County Sheriff's Office and any Legion Post. Flags should be folded respectfully before being placed in the box. Also, there will be the 2nd Vietnam Veteran Pinning ceremony on Tuesday, November 14, 2017 at 10 a.m. at the Annex Building.

OLD BUSINESS

Jan Kemmer made a motion to table the awarding of a bid for Airbus DS Geo-Diverse Vesta 7x Upgrade until the money is available from the state. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Jan Kemmer made a motion to appoint Kaitlyn Taylor to serve on the Board of Directors for Alcohol & Drug Abuse Services. Her term will begin upon appointment. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 2. Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve a Request for Exoneration of 2016 Per Capita taxes for Mr. Charles Bloam, City of St. Marys Tax Collector. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 3. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the following contracts for Children & Youth Services:
 - i. FY 17-18 CAPSEA/Incredible Years
 - ii. FY 17-18 CAPSEA/FGDM

Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

4. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the HMRF Grant in the amount of \$6,831.82 from PEMA to use towards the SwiftReach 911 Notification System (this will aid in the notification of chemical release emergencies). Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously. The Commissioners thanked 911 personnel for their diligence in obtaining the Grant monies.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve the following bills:

GENERAL FUND	\$3	15,228.70
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PAYROLL	•	32,409.58
LIQUID FUEL	\$	7,000.00
DURG & ALCOHOL	\$	66.91
SUBSTANCE ABUSE	\$	123.30
RECYCLING CTR BULD FUND	\$	1,578.07

HSDF	\$ 12,500.00
HAP	\$ 6,954.00
GAS WELL IMPACT FEE	\$ 3,000.00
PHARE GRANT	\$ 8,125.00
2014 CDBG	\$ 6,268.18
HAZMAT	\$ 1,689.55
911 WIRELESS FUND	\$ 45,312.27
NTRTP	\$ 61,354.03
AFFORDABLE HOUSING	\$ 3,700.00
DEBT FUND	\$ 79,630.00

Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission – Application of the Department of Transportation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for approval to alter the public crossing by replacing the existing roadway and bridge superstructure where North Broad Street crosses, at grade, the tracks of the Buffalo & Pittsburgh Railroad, Inc. in the Borough of Ridgway, Elk County; and the allocation of costs incident thereto.

GOOD OF THE COUNTY

Tomorrow is Election Day, please remember to vote.

The November 21st Commissioners meeting is cancelled.

Please continue to pray for our military personnel, our families and our children, their teachers, all elected officials and peace in the world.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS QUESTIONS FROM TAXPAYERS

ADJOURN MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 10:22 on a motion by Dan Freeburg and seconded by Jan Kemmer.

ATTEST:		
	Chief Clerk	

Next Meeting Tuesday, December 5, 2017 10 A.M. Conference Room No. 2 Courthouse Annex Building The Elk County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, December 5, 2017 at 10 a.m. in Conference Room No. 2 at the Courthouse Annex. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of reflection for veterans and their families. Those present were Commissioners Matthew G. Quesenberry, Chairperson, Daniel R. Freeburg, Janis E. Kemmer, Solicitor Tom Wagner, Chief Clerk Lee Neureiter and Recording Secretary Chris Lilja. Also present were Warden Greg GeBauer, 911 Coordinator Mike McAllister, Dan Rimer and two members of the press.

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the Minutes of the November 6, 2017 meeting seconded by Jan Kemmer and carried unanimously.

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the Agenda seconded by Jan Kemmer and carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the awarding of the Bid for Airbus DS Geo-Diverse Vesta 7xUpgrade seconded by Jan Kemmer and carried unanimously. Solicitor Tom Wagner will look over the terms of the contract.

NEW BUSINESS

1. The following renewal contracts were approved for the Elk County Prison as follows:

Centre County Housing Contract @ \$65/day –Jan Kemmer, seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.

Indiana County Housing Contract @ \$65/day – Jan Kemmer, seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.

Erie County Housing Contract @ \$75/day – Dan Freeburg, seconded by Jan Kemmer and carried unanimously.

Clinton County Housing Contract @ \$70/day – Dan Freeburg, seconded by Jan Kemmer and carried unanimously.

Prison Physician Renewal Contract 3 year contract with 2% increase/year – Dan Freeburg, seconded by Jan Kemmer and carried unanimously.

- 2. Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve the 2018 Calendar for Holidays and Meeting dates seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.
- 3. Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve the Elk County Planning Commission re-appointment of Mr. Doug Ruffo, Benezette Township, as a Planning Board member for a new four-year term ending December 31, 2021, seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.
- 4. Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve Rev. Erik Hart as a voting member of the FRN Board, seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.
- 5. Dan Freeburg made a motion to table the awarding of a snow removal contract with Amacher & Sons Seasonal Work due to unsolved issues. Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously. It will be awarded at the December 19, 2017 meeting.
- 6. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve an Elk County Room Tax Proposal-Winter/Spring TV ad recommended by the PA Great Outdoors Visitors Bureau. This will be a .30 second TV schedule for Dec-April with 38 ads per month. \$1,500 per month will be billed to Elk County Room Tax and \$170 per month to PAGO. Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 7. Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve a FY 17/18 Pathways Adolescent Center contract with Elk County Children & Youth Services and Community County Services, Inc. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 8. Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve the Woodland Appraisal Group for \$953.20 to undertake a real estate appraisal for a property currently owned by Elk County in Benezette Township. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve the following bills:

GENERAL FUND	\$187,244.25
PAYROLL	\$471,466.44
DUI – CORRECTIONS	\$ 3,534.00
DRUG & ALCOHOL	\$ 256.91
GAS WELL IMPACT FEE	\$ 4,751.00
HAZMAT	\$ 1,275.38
911 WIRELESS	\$ 31,041.34
NTRTP	\$ 20,347.78

Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

In accordance with PA Act 14, Fox Township Sewer Authority will be filing an application for renewal of the NPDES Permit for the Wastewater Treatment Plant, located in Fox Township, Elk County, PA. This application will be filed with PADEP and is renewable every 5 years.

GOOD OF THE COUNTY

The 2018 Proposed Budget for the County of Elk will be ready for display for twenty (20) days on Thursday, December 7, 2017.

The Commissioners wish to thank Representative Matt Gabler for his service as he prepares for deployment to the Middle East.

Please continue to pray for our military personnel, our families and our children, their teachers, all elected officials and peace in the world.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS

There will be no tax increase in 2018 for Elk County.

QUESTIONS FROM TAXPAYERS

ADJOURN MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 10:34 a.m. on a motion by Dan Freeburg and seconded by Jan Kemmer.

ATTEST:		
	Chief Clark	

Next Meeting
Tuesday, December 19, 2017
10 a.m. Conference Room No. 2
Courthouse Annex Building

The Elk County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at 10 a.m. in Conference Room No. 2 at the Courthouse Annex. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of reflection for veterans and their families. Those present were Commissioners Matthew G. Quesenberry, Chairperson, Daniel R. Freeburg, Janis E. Kemmer, Solicitor Tom Wagner, Chief Clerk Lee Neureiter and Recording Secretary Chris Lilja. Also present were Tracy Gerber, Dan Rimer, Joe Narin, Kate Brock and two members of the press.

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the Minutes of the December 5, 2017 meeting seconded by Jan Kemmer and carried unanimously.

Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve the Agenda seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION

The Commissioners heard a presentation from Dr. Joe Nairn, president of Northern Pennsylvania Regional College, on the progress of the institution. According to Dr. Nairn, the college received Pennsylvania Department of Education approval this spring and is in the process of gaining accreditation. The college is designed to serve a ninecounty region in north-western Pennsylvania providing multi-site, real time instruction.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve J.R. DePanfilis Snow Removal four year contract as follows:

2017-2018 Season \$35.00 per plowing each building 2018-2019 Season \$35.00 per plowing each building 2019-2020 Season \$35.00 per plowing each building 2020-2021 Season \$35.00 per plowing each building

Salt will be applied on an as needed basis at a rate of \$15.00 per lot if done at the same time as snowplowing. The rate will be \$25.00 per lot as salt is needed without plowing. Rates include repeat site visits/cleanup as needed per day as a courtesy.

Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Jan Kemmer made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2017-07 On Behalf of Ridgway Borough Fair Housing Resolution, seconded by Dan Freeburg and carried unanimously.
- 2. Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve Elk County Planning Grant under Section 901. The grant awards \$52,269 of the total \$66,212 project. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 3. Jan Kemmer made a motion to appoint Mr. Fred Swanson to serve on the Elk County Planning Commission representing Jones Township for a 4 year term ending December 31, 2021. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 4. Jan Kemmer made a motion to re-appoint Mr. Charles Constable to serve on the Elk County Industrial Development Authority Board for a 6 year term ending December 31, 2023. Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 5. Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve the use of Elk County Room Tax Grant monies in the amount of \$4,100 for printing the new 2018 Elk Viewing Guide (one of PA Great Outdoor's brochures). Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 6. Dan Freeburg made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2017-08 Resolution by Municipality Certifying Provision of Local Match for State Operating Financial Assistance. Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

- 7. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve twenty-nine (29) Veteran Burial Allowances, seven (7) Widow Burial Allowances and twenty-eight (28) Headstone Allowances for the Veteran Affairs Office. Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.
- 8. Jan Kemmer made a motion to approve the following contracts for Children & Youth Services:

FY 17-18	Shippenville Project Point of Light
FY 17-18	Adelphoi Village, Inc.
FY 16-17	LifeSpan Family Services of PA, Inc.
FY 17-18	Family Pathway
2018	George N. Daghir, Agency Solicitor

Dan Freeburg seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the following bills:

GENERAL FUND	\$290,418.10
PAYROLL	\$246,910.07
LIQUID FUEL	\$ 28,000.00
DRUG & ALCOHOL	\$ 67.46
WORK RELEASE	\$ 560.00
PHFA (PHARE GRANT)	\$ 12,970.00
HAZMAT	\$ 1.850.26
911 WIRELESS FUND	\$142,331.61
NTRTP	\$ 15,660.70

Jan Kemmer seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

Advanced Disposal, Greentree Landfill intends to submit an application to PADEP for amendment of a water quality management permit. The permit amendment is for modification of the current landfill wastewater treatment system by addition of a filter press to dewater aluminum sludge produced by treatment of wastewater. The filter press will be housed in an existing building and produced sludge cake will be disposed of in the landfill.

GOOD OF THE COUNTY

Announcement of Christmas Door Decorating Contest winner – Elk County Assessment/Tax Claim Office.

There will be a special meeting of the Elk County Commissioners on Wednesday, December 27, 2017 at 10 a.m. in Conference Room No. 2 to approve the 2018 Proposed Budget for the County of Elk.

During this Christmas Season the Commissioners wish you health, happiness, inner peace all through and beyond this holiday season.

Please continue to pray for our military personnel, our families and our children, their teachers, all elected officials and peace in the world.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS QUESTIONS FROM TAXPAYERS

ADJOURN MEETING

The meeting	g was adjourned at 10:5	a.m. on a motion b	y Jan Kemmer and s	econded by Dan Freeburg.
ATTEST:	Chief Clerk			

Special Meeting Wednesday, December 27, 2017 10 a.m. Conference Room No. 2 Courthouse Annex Building The Elk County Commissioners met in special session on Wednesday, December 27, 2017 at 10 a.m. in Conference Room No. 2 at the Courthouse Annex. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of reflection for veterans and their families. Those present were Commissioners Matthew G. Quesenberry, Chairperson, Daniel R. Freeburg, Chief Clerk Lee Neureiter and Recording Secretary Chris Lilja. Also present were two members of the press. Commissioner Janie E. Kemmer and Solicitor Tom Wagner were absent.

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the Minutes of the December 19, 2017 meeting seconded by Matt Quesenberry and carried unanimously.

Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the Agenda seconded by Matt Quesenberry and carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Dan Freeburg made a motion to approve the 2018 Proposed Budget for the County of Elk seconded by Matt Quesenberry and carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk Lee Neureiter said that due to a clerical oversight, there was a slight increase of \$5,314 in the budget from what was approved for review. The change did not impact revenue and expense balancing. It was noted the budget overall represents an approximately \$51,000 decrease in spending from this year. Also, a position with duties covered by state DCED funds opened up during the year and the county opted not to fill it as DCED funding has decreased. It was noted that, due to money available in the general fund, the county will not need to take out a TAN to begin 2018.

The proposed budget also includes pay increases for county employees and elected officials. A 2.5 percent pay increase for county employees and a 2 percent increase for elected officials.

The Commissioners thanked all elected officials, the Chief Clerk and the Fiscal Office for putting a team effort into making the 2018 budget a success.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS QUESTIONS FROM TAXPAYERS

ADJOURN MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 10:13 a.m. on a motion by Dan Freeburg and seconded by Matt Quesenberry.

ATTEST:		
	Chief Clerk	

Next Meeting Tuesday, January 2, 2018 10 a.m. Conference Room No. 2 Courthouse Annex Building