Warren County Commissioners Public Meeting November 8, 2023, 12:00 p.m. Jackson Courtroom

Commissioner Tricia D. Durbin called the Public Hearing to order with Commissioner Benjamin Kafferlin and Commissioner Jeff Eggleston present.

Staff Present: Pamela Matve, Lisa Hagberg, Finance Director, Solicitor Nathaniel Schmidt, Kim Slocum, and Grant Writer

Citizens Present: Josh Cotton (WTO), and Andy Close (YourDailyLocal)

Announcements: Commissioner Tricia D. Durbin announced that this meeting is being recorded.

Executive meetings held since the last meeting: there was one executive session since the last meeting to discuss legal matters

Correspondence: One letter was received regarding the reassessment

Presentation: None

Public Comment:

Consent Agenda:

Minutes from the October 25, 2023, Public Meeting: No corrections or additions to be made.

Finance Report: Lisa Hagberg, Finance Director stated in all accounts there is a total of 5.8 million dollars. We are starting to pay back monies borrowed from other accounts.

She then reviewed all the other accounts such as ARPA, Opioid funding, etc.

Proclamation(s): Veteran's Day

A motion was made by Commissioner Benjamin Kafferlin, seconded by Commissioner Jeff Eggleston to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Old Business:

New Business:

Resolution #3256 Application for the PA Local Share Assessment Grant: Kim Slocum, Grant Writer, explained that this grant is through DCED and will be used for the extensive exterior renovations that are estimated to be a cost of \$1,717,800.00. We are asking for \$1 million, and the grant will have to cover the remaining \$717,800.00 demonstrating our dedication to preserving the historic structure.

A motion was made by Commissioner Benjamin Kafferlin, seconded by Commissioner Jeff Eggleston to approve Resolution #3256 authorizing the application for the PA Local Share Assessment Grant. The motion carried unanimously.

TAWC 2023/2024 Transportation Services Agreement: Commissioner Tricia D. Durbin explained that this is a renewal for transportation services for the year 2024.

She then stated that Commissioner Jeff Eggleston will abstain from voting on all the items on the agenda that are with TAWC as he sits on their board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Benjamin Kafferlin, seconded by Commissioner Tricia D. Durbin to approve the TAWC 2023/2024 Transportation Services Agreement. The motion carried unanimously.

TAWC 2024/2025 Local Match for Operations: Commissioner Tricia D. Durbin explained that this is for the local operations match for FY 2024/2025 and they are requesting a county match of \$50,763.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Benjamin Kafferlin. Seconded by Commissioner Tricia D. Durbin to approve the Local Match for Operations as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

TAWC 2024/2025 Local Match for Capital Expense: Commissioner Benjamin Kafferlin explained that this capital match is for a cooling tower system to replace the current geothermal system. The state will cover \$200,000.00 and they are requesting a local match of \$7,000.00.

Commissioner Jeff Eggleston commented that the current system they have operates their toilets, sprinklers, along with heating and cooling. This system pulls in river sediment which clogs the pipes and things do not work. This is much needed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Benjamin Kafferlin, seconded by Commissioner Tricia D. Durbin to approve the Local Match for Capital expense as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Approve Youngsville MDJ office lease for 2024-2028: Lisa Hagberg, Finance Director stated that this is a renewal of the lease with the United States Post Office for MDJ Woodin's office. There was a 5% increase from 2023 to 2024 then 3% each year thereafter.

A motion was made by Commissioner Benjamin Kafferlin, seconded by Commissioner Jeff Eggleston to approve the renewal of the MDJ Woodin office space lease with the United States Post Office for 2024-2028 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution #3257 INVEST Program Application: Commissioner Benjamin Kafferlin stated that this program has been closed and the Treasury has decided to open it back up. This is just another option to invest funds to earn interest. One good feature of this plan is that you can withdraw funds quickly if needed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Benjamin Kafferlin, seconded by Commissioner Jeff Eggleston to approve Resolution #3257 establishing a relationship with the PA Treasury and their INVEST program. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Comments:

Adjournment: A motion was made by Commissioner Benjamin Kafferlin, seconded by Commissioner Jeff Eggleston to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela J. Matve
Chief Clerk

Jeff Eggleston

Approved:

Warren County Commissioner

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