

CapCOG Board of Delegates

Monday, May 15, 2023 - 7:00 PM

**DELEGATES IN ATTENDANCE: 14 (Representing 13 Municipalities)**

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| Camp Hill Borough - Michele Forbes  East Pennsboro Township, Terry  Watts  Highspire Borough, Mark Stonbraker  Lemoyne Borough, Sue Yenchko  Londonderry Township, Anna Dale | Lower Paxton Township, Robin  Lindsey, Norm Zoumas  Middle Paxton Township, Jim Fisher  New Cumberland Borough, Gennifer Richie  Royalton Borough, Terry Watts | Silver Spring Township, Dave  Lanker  South Hanover Township, Nora  Blair  Upper Allen Township, Ken Martin  Wormleysburg Borough, Margie Stuski |

**MUNICIPALITIES NOT IN ATTENDANCE: 30**

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| Annville Township  Carlisle Borough  Carroll Township  Conewago Township  Dauphin Borough  Derry Township  Dillsburg Borough  East Hanover Township  Fairview Township  Goldsboro Borough | Hampden Township  Harrisburg City  Hummelstown Borough  Lower Allen Township  Lower Paxton Township  Swatara Township  Marysville Borough  Mechanicsburg Borough  Middletown Borough  Monaghan Township | Monroe Township Newberry Township  North Middleton Township  Paxtang Borough  Penbrook Borough  Shiremanstown Borough  Swatara Township  Steelton Borough  Susquehanna Township  West Hanover Township |

**NON-VOTING IN ATTENDANCE:**

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| Speakers   * Cher Comp and Kandi Fox, Commuter Services of PA | CapCOG STAFF  Gary Myers, Executive Director  Rhonda Campbell, Program Director |

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by President Robin Lindsey.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ken Martin.

Roundtable introductions were made.

**Presenters**

Cher Comp and Kandi Fox, Commuter Services of PA

* Comp and Fox have been with Commuter Services 16 years.
* Eight employees
* Non profit covering nine counties.
* Their goals are to educate employers and community groups about free green transportation.
* They work with employers of all sizes including Chewy, Walmart, DHL.
* Free App "Commute PA"
* Looking to partner with municipalities to help share information in communities about free green transportation resources such as carpooling, vanpooling, bicycling, walking, transit and teleworking.
* They share a newsletter write-up for municipalities to place in their newsletters and they can also provide brochures to keep at the offices and provide new hire information to HR Directors.
* Gary Myers: Any maps showing bike share opportunities? Fox - We have a Bike Share Toolkit we work with PennDOT to distribute. Gives information about rail trails. We connect with bike shops to share information. We have a team member on our staff who works with other counties on bike share.
* Jim Fisher - Are you working with Tri-County Regional Planning Commission on Bike Share? Fox -Yes.
* Dave Lenker - Can you provide any information on grants pertaining to extension or creation of walking/bike paths? Fox- That type of information gets filtered through PennDOT. If intermodal mobility, there is a system they use to couple together organizations to merge projects. We don't facilitate but we can connect you to PennDOT.
* Lenker - Any planning assistance for municipalities who are developing and growing? Fox - PennDOT does their own studies and models to determine what gets funding and doesn't. We can point you in right direction.
* Comp - We have a nonprofit board made up of professionals representing transit, Chambers of Commerce, large employers etc. What can we do to provide travel options for people. We focus on transportation education. Our employees tend to participate in planning meetings, but it isn't our specific realm of expertise.
* Lenker - A lot seems to be reactionary. Old trolley line in Dillsburg. Four municipalities studying to see if it can be a walking/bike path.
* Margie Stuski - Have you thought of sending out to Police Departments? The emergency ride home program would seem to be a good resource.
* Comp - Our emergency ride home program is only for individuals who use other services through the CommutePA App. It is a reimbursement program. It isn't an on-demand service. Ours is typically most successful for work commuters.

**Consent Agenda**

Due to a lack of quorum, the April Consent Agenda will be approved at the June 19, 2023 meeting.

**Executive Director's Report - Gary Myers**

* Verizon Franchise Agreements - 2025 ending. We have been in contact with Dan Cohen and we will reach out in 2024 to see if there is interest from members in engaging Mr. Cohen to negotiate the Franchise Agreements.
* PACOG reorganization meeting on May 2 went very well. We were able to reorganize to get PACOG back on its feet. Will be holding regional meetings with COGs across the state. Hoping to work together on legislative actions.
* Managers' Meeting -June 7.
* Roberts Rules of Order Training - June 21 - Upper Allen Twp

Rhonda Campbell provided the following update:

**Auction**

* July 19, 2023 - Fair Oaks School, Carlisle
* 9 AM Auction; 1 PM Large Equipment/Vehicles
* Thank you South Middleton Township
* AuctionZip.com - event is already listed
* Forms were sent to Managers and Public Works on May 1.
* Forms are due to us June 9.
* We have received two so far (Mech. Police and Paxtang Borough)

**Picnic/Golf Tournament**

* Monday, September 18, 2023
* Armitage Golf Course
* 12 PM Shotgun Start
* 4:30 PM Picnic/Dinner
* Current Sponsorships: $11,475.00 (last year $14,275)
* Will be doing additional outreach for sponsorships in June. If there are any companies you work with who you think might be interested in sponsoring, please share with Campbell.
* Information will be sent in early August.

**County Reports**

***Cumberland County - Rhonda Campbell***

* Hired a new Director of Veterans Affairs and Services - Keeter Kallam.
* 2023-24 Fiscal Budget is on public view. The total revenue is $63 million which predominately consists of Human Services funding. 77% of the budget, or $48.5 million, is primarily funded from state and federal sources. Budget is scheduled for approval on May 25, 2023 at the Commissioners' Meeting.
* Six new CASA advocates were sworn in on May 2. The CASA volunteers advocate for the best interest of children involved in the Dependency Court system.

*Dauphin County - Anna Dale*

* Gaming Grant opened May 1
* Infrastructure bank program is accepting applications.

*York County - From Report*

* Hanover Trolley Trail is slated to begin construction funded in part through a $700,000 PA DCNR Keystone Grant. The property is an 8.5 mile dormant rail corridor purchased in December 2020 to expand the Hanover Trolley Trail.
* In March 2023, York County Regional Trail Authority secured a $2M grant from DCNR's Local Share Program to support trail construction from Spring Grove to Bair.

*Legislative Update - Nate Silcox*

* No Report
* Stuski - Lemoyne and Wormleysburg met with Senator Greg Rothman to try to advance the radar bill. He thinks it will pass the Senate.
* Lindsey -The RADAR bill has been around for so long.
* Lenker - There was discussion pre-Covid.
* Mark Stonbraker - It was being discussed in 1992 and it had been around a while at that time.

*UCC Update - Terry Watts*

* Last month reported we denied EverGrain Restaurant/Brewery. We now have received an appeal from owner of the building Frolan LLC.
* It will go to County Court. We cannot speak to appeal as it is under litigation.
* Property is Lower Paxton Dauphin County.

*Public Safety - Ken Martin*

* NFPA 1582 Physicals – UPMC: We have approved 11 requests so far. The program is up and running and I have received and approved 11 requests thus far
* Firefighter I and II Information Request - Once all information is received from member companies, we will move forward with nominal stipends and life insurance.
* FEMA Reports and Requirements - We are up to date with all reports and have no outstanding items with FEMA.
* Office of the PA State Fire Commissioner – Tracie Young-Brungard. Tracie is the Administrator, Recruitment and Retention and is interested in meeting and learning about our grant and programs.

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* Myers - I was able to join Lemoyne Borough on Earth Day to pick up litter. It was a great event.
* Stuski - Fire people are getting frustrated by Harris Motorola issue. Anyone taking the lead on figuring this out. Someone needs to step in.
  + Ken Martin - It is very frustrating. We are in the same situation. Even with discounts from Motorola, we have lower quotes from Harris. We are a Harris customer and are satisfied with their service. It seems like there is some advantage Motorola has with the County. If both are compliant, why not let municipalities decide? I will be asking that question prior to the general election if not resolved.
  + Lenker - I'd think you'd have to bid radio and system since it is one project. Both of our companies are in good financial position. One expressed concerns they can afford it. They were approached by County asking what equipment they have and what radios are they using? The assistance (financial), didn't come close to what they thought they would be receiving. If County is not giving a lot of assistance, they need to let fire companies choose.
  + Martin - Estimate it will cover 40% of the cost. County has gone with Motorola for infrastructure and towers. But both radios work interchangeably. Why should County assistance be dependent on the radio we select?
  + Stuski - Lack of information. Maybe CapCOG should sponsor a county-wide fire forum with County Commissioners.
  + Martin - Fire company staff are asking the same questions and they aren't getting answers.

Lindsey reminded attendees that there is a Public Safety meeting on June 19, 2023 at 5:30 PM. Our next Board of Delegates meeting will follow on June 19 at 7 PM.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 Watts motioned to adjourn. Stuski seconded. Unanimously approved.