

Sullivan County Council of Governments  
March 26, 2019 minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Bill Stasiak, vice president  
Diane Fitzgerald-Cherry Township  
Tim Brown-Colley Township  
Bill Stasiak-Colley Township  
Walter Botsford-Laporte Township  
Linwood Myers-Davidson Township  
Frank Tourscher-Code Inspections Inc  
Brian Hoffman-Sullivan County Commissioners

We opened the meeting with a pledge to the flag.

A motion was made by Diane Fitzgerald and seconded by Walter Botsford to approve the minutes from our January meeting. When put to a vote all voted in favor so the motion was approved.

A motion was made by Diane Fitzgerald and seconded by Tim Brown to approve the Treasurers report as presented. When put to a vote all voted in favor so the motion was approved.

Brian Hoffman talked about the County Budget, and police protection and municipalities needing to pay for police protection. Questions were asked if the fees go up each year. Also questions were asked about why they police don't just keep the money they get from traffic fines instead of paying some to the municipalities this would give them more income and not affect the municipalities.

A discussion was held about the EMS task force and they will be meeting again on Monday. There are 8 things that the State wide task force picked to go over or that they felt were important and we talked about several of these points.

Training standards and making sure that there is support for EMS personnel with mental and emotional issues after fire or accidents.

Frank talked about House Bill No 349, a vote will be held to try and get this bill passed they would like 2 or more agencies in each municipality. This will affect us in a negative way if this bill is passed we would need to hire another Code Inspections agency so that they have two choices to choose from. It was stated that Tina Pickett would like an open market. It was stated that they would like to have the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> class counties to be excluded, Sullivan County is an 8<sup>th</sup> class county.

A motion was made to pay the bills. Diane Fitzgerald made the motion and Walter Botsford seconded the motion. When put to a vote all voted in favor so the bills will be paid.

A motion was made by all to adjourn the meeting.