

AGENDA

Erie County Council

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Dr. Kyle Foust
André R. Horton
Carol Loll

February 10, 2015

6:30 P.M. - Council Caucus
7:00 P.M. - Council Meeting
Room 117

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
2. ROLL CALL
3. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC
 - A. Randy Barnes – Economic Development Accountability
4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
 - A. January 27, 2015 – Regular Meeting
5. REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS
 - A. County Executive and/or her Designee
 - B. Finance Committee – Mr. Breneman
 - C. Personnel Committee – Mr. Horton
 - D. Other
6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - A. Second Reading of Ordinance Number 10, 2015, Approving And Adopting Amended And Restated Articles Of Incorporation Of The Erie County Convention Center Authority (The “Authority”) In The Form Of Exhibit A Attached Hereto, And Authorizing The Filing Thereof In Accordance With The Provisions Of Act 148 Of 1999, As Amended And Supplemented, Known As The “Third Class County Convention Center Authority Act (Alternative Provision), 16 P.S. §2399.51 *ET SEQ.* (The “Act”). (Finance Committee) (FR 1-27-15)

7. NEW BUSINESS

- A. First Reading of Ordinance Number 14, 2015, “2015 General Fund Budget Waiver of County Purchasing Code for Mandatory Software Upgrade to County Phone System and Upgrade for the Voicemail System”. (Finance Committee)
- B. First Reading of Ordinance Number 15, 2015, “First 2015 Capital Project Fund Supplemental Appropriation of \$34,923 and Creation of New Line Items for County Telephone Upgrade Project”. (Finance Committee)
- C. First Reading of Ordinance Number 16, 2015, “2015 General Fund Budget Waiver of County Purchasing Code for a Three Year Contract for Westlaw Subscription for Judges’ Library”. (Finance Committee)
- D. First Reading of Ordinance Number 17, 2015, “2015 General Fund Budget Waiver of County Purchasing Code for Three Year Maintenance Agreement with the Eaton Corporation Covering Backup Generators”. (Finance Committee)
- E. First Reading of Ordinance Number 18, 2015, “First 2015 Public Health Fund Budget Supplemental Appropriation of \$11,805 for Community Health Needs Assessment for Erie County”. (Finance Committee)
- F. First Reading of Ordinance Number 19, 2015, “2016-2018 Elected Officials’ Salaries Ordinance”. (Finance Committee) **(SEE ATTACHED)**
- G. Possible Adoption of Resolution Number 9, 2015, “Approving the Erie County, Pennsylvania ADA Transition Plan”. (Finance Committee)
- H. Possible Adoption of Resolution Number 10, 2015, “In Support of 911 Funding & System Reform”. (Finance Committee) **(SEE ATTACHED)**
- I. Possible Adoption of Resolution Number 11, 2015, “In Support of Waiving the Penalty on #21-032-024.0-015.00”. (Finance Committee)
- J. Possible Adoption of Resolution Number 12, 2015, “Exonerating Taxes on One Abandoned Trailer/Property #06-006-014.0-013.41 in the Corry Area School District and the City of Corry”. (Finance Committee)
- K. Possible Adoption of Resolution Number 13, 2015, “Exonerating Taxes on One Abandoned Trailer/Property #47-011.027.2-007.47 in the Fort LeBoeuf School District and Waterford Township”. (Finance Committee)

- L. Possible Sale of Parcels from Repository for Unsold Property at Index Numbers:
 - #14-010-028.0-218.00
 - #15-020-036.0-309.00

8. ADJOURNMENT

ORDINANCE NUMBER 19, 2015

2016-2019 Elected Officials' Salaries Ordinance

BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of the County of Erie, pursuant to Article II, Sections 3B(2)(h), and Article XI, Section 6C, of the Home Rule Charter for the County of Erie, and 16 P.S. Section 11011-5, as amended, that the Elected Officials' salaries for the period January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2019 are hereby established as outlined on the attached Exhibit A.

This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE
COUNTY OF ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA

Attest:

Douglas R. Smith
County Clerk

Fiore Leone, Chairman

Date:_____

Phil Fatica, Vice Chairman

Jay Breneman

Approved by:

Edward T. DiMattio, Jr.

Kathy Dahlkemper,
County Executive

Dr. Kyle Foust

Date:_____

André Horton

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	2015												
EXHIBIT A													
2016 - 2020 Salaries		2.00%			2.00%			4.00%			4.00%		
	2015	2016			2017			2018			2019		
	Salary	Salary	Increase	Percentage									
County Council - Chairman	9,326	9,456	130	1.39%	9,635	179	1.89%	10,000	365	3.79%	10,380	380	3.80%
County Council 1,3,5,7	8,780	8,956	176	2.00%	9,135	179	2.00%	9,500	365	4.00%	9,880	380	4.00%
Controller	64,436	65,725	1,289	2.00%	67,040	1,315	2.00%	69,722	2,682	4.00%	72,511	2,789	4.00%
District Attorney	172,290	175,736			*			*			↓		
Coroner	64,436	65,725	1,289	2.00%	67,040	1,315	2.00%	69,722	2,682	4.00%	72,511	2,789	4.00%
	319,268	325,598	2,884	0.90%	152,850	2,988	0.92%	158,944	6,094	3.99%	165,282	6,338	3.99%
	Chairman salary is \$500 more than his Councilperson salary.												

RESOLUTION NUMBER 10, 2015

In Support of 911 Funding & System Reform

A resolution of the county of Erie, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, urging the Pennsylvania General Assembly to amend Chapter 53 of Title 35 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, relating to Emergency Telephone Services (formerly the Public Safety Emergency Telephone Act, Act 78 of 1990).

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Emergency Telephone Act gave Pennsylvania county government responsibility for implementing and managing a system of 911 call taking on behalf of the citizens of the Commonwealth, setting in place planning processes, lines of authority between counties and Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA) and a funding stream based on telephone subscriber surcharges; and

WHEREAS, Under counties' stewardship, Pennsylvania's 911 system is one of the best managed and up-to-date systems in the nation, with almost complete E-911 coverage (Enhanced 911, providing locator systems for wireline, wireless, and VoIP calls), the fewest Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) per capita among large states, and a commitment to moving toward Next Generation 911 (NG911) technologies.

WHEREAS, the 911 system faces significant challenges to meet rapidly changing technology requirements, a funding stream whose failure to keep pace with needs requires counties to rely both heavily and increasingly on the property tax, and the June 30, 2015, sunset of one key funding source, the wireless telephone surcharge; and

WHEREAS, the Act currently keys its planning, administrative, and audit functions separately to different communications technologies, inhibiting counties' ability to manage the system, to incorporate shared services, or to implement system efficiencies; and

WHEREAS, the intent of the original law was to fully fund counties' eligible 911 costs; and

WHEREAS, the current subscriber fee structure is a monthly surcharge on wireline, wireless, and VoIP subscribers, ranging from \$1.00 to \$1.50 per month for wireline, and set at \$1.00 per month for wireless and VoIP; and

WHEREAS, the wireline fees have not changed since the Act's passage in 1990 and the wireless and VoIP fees, although adopted later, were keyed to the 1990 wireline rates, all of which, if adjusted for inflation alone, would mean fees of at least \$1.72; and

WHEREAS, Counties over the years have adapted and upgraded 911 systems to meet unanticipated technology change including locator systems, and are now actively planning upcoming technology needs including Next Generation 911 text, video, and other social media; and

WHEREAS, the onslaught of technological change was unforeseen and dramatically altered the ability of the funding structure to meet county needs, for both operating and capital costs; and

WHEREAS, the current funding structure covers only 63% percent of Erie County's cost to provide this vital service, with the remaining 37% or \$2,262,793, drawn from County property tax revenues; and

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WHEREAS, the need to address the funding stream is immediate, and will reach crisis proportions if action is delayed past the June 30, 2015 expiration of the wireless telephone subscriber surcharge; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, by the County Council of the County of Erie that Erie County join with the County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania in support of a comprehensive rewrite of Chapter 53 of Title 35; and

RESOLVED, that Erie County supports a reform bill that is technology-neutral allowing counties to develop systems meeting current and future needs; and

RESOLVED, that Erie County supports a reform bill that combines planning, administrative, funding and audit provisions into a single consolidated whole, affording counties the best opportunity to manage effectively, facilitate shared services, incorporate system efficiencies, and readily adapt to new technologies and

RESOLVED, that Erie County supports a reform bill that increases 911 subscriber fees to a level that fully supports current and next generation operations, and which keys the fees to inflation or allows for other mechanisms to provide regular adjustments to meet system needs; and

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Erie County legislative delegation, to Governor Wolf, to the Director of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency, and to the County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania.

On the motion of _____, seconded by _____, this resolution was passed on this _____ day of _____, 2015 by a vote of ____ - ____.

APPROVED BY:

Fiore Leone, Chairman
Erie County Council

Kathy Dahlkemper,
County Executive

Date:_____

ATTEST:

Douglas R. Smith
County Clerk

Date:_____