



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES

Tuesday, January 5, 2021, 10:00 A.M.

Virtual – Zoom

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I. CALL TO ORDER

The public meeting of the Centre County Board of Commissioners was convened at 10:03 AM by Chair of the Board Michael Pipe.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

In attendance were Commissioner Michael Pipe, Commissioner Mark Higgins, Commissioner Steven Dershem, Administrator Margaret Gray and Executive Office Supervisor Natalie Smith.

County personnel present included Jill Savage, Human Service Administrator Natalie Corman, Recorder of Deeds Joe Davidson, Ray Stolinis and Anne Messner.

Representatives from the news media included Marley Parish.

Guests present included Mitzi Gallagher Long and Kevin Mullen.

CNET staff were present.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Kevin Mullen of Patton Township and Ferguson Township offered public comment concerning UAJA Wastewater Authority.

IV. MEETING MINUTES

Minutes from the Tuesday, December 29, 2020 Board of Commissioners' meeting.

Action: *On a motion by Commissioner Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Dershem, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the December 29, 2020 Board of Commissioners' meeting.*

V. COVID-19 PLANNING AND RESPONSE

Administrator Margaret Gray announced that the COVID-19 Testing Site operated by AMI Healthcare has reopened at the Nittany Mall. The site is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 AM to 7 PM.

VI. PRESENTATION

Human Services Administrator Natalie Corman announced the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Grant Award. This is a nationwide grant that will provide technical assistance from January through July for identified stakeholders in the community.

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VII. RESOLUTIONS

- A. Resolution 1 of 2021– Authorizing Margaret N. Gray Administrator and Chief Clerk the authority to execute financial documents not to exceed \$10,000 on behalf of the County of Centre. This includes expenditure of funds from contingency in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 with a report provided at the next public session – Dept. 111.

Action: *On a motion by Commissioner Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Dershem, the Board voted unanimously to add Resolution 1 of 2021 to next week's Consent Agenda.*

- B. Resolution 2 of 2021 – Authorizing submission of an application to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for federal fiscal year 2020 under the Community Development Block Grant Program and certify compliance with requirements of the program – Dept. 151.

Action: *On a motion by Commissioner Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Dershem, the Board voted unanimously to add Resolution 2 of 2021 to next week's Consent Agenda.*

VIII. GRANTS

- A. Planning

Director Ray Stolinas and SEDA COG's Mitzi Gallagher Long presented the following items:

- i. Disclosure Report for the Haines-Aaronsburg water well rehabilitation project certifying Centre County Government as the Grantee, Haines Aaronsburg Municipal Authority as Sub-Grantee and SEDA COG as Grant Administrator. The total Community Development Block Grant – Competitive Grant requested is \$1,148,650 – Dept. 151.
- ii. General application certifications for the Community Development Block Grant Program for the year 2020C – Dept. 151.
- iii. Certification of completion of a four-factor analysis for limited English proficiency persons and certification of the activities to be included in the language access plan for the Community Development Block Grant Program – Dept. 151.

Action: *On a motion by Commissioner Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Dershem, the Board voted unanimously to add Planning items i-iii to next week's Consent Agenda.*

IX. CONTRACTS

- A. Planning – Director Ray Stolinas presented a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Centre Regional Planning Agency establishing joint rights and responsibilities of each party in completing transportation and project development activities on behalf of the Centre County Metropolitan Planning Organization (CCMPO). The County's contribution for the MOU is \$134,336 for the period of January 1, 2021

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through December 31, 2021 – Dept. 151.

Action: *On a motion by Commissioner Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Dershem, the Board voted unanimously to add the MOU with Centre Regional Planning Agency to next week's Consent Agenda.*

- B. Recorder of Deeds – Recorder of Deeds Joe Davidson presented a proposal from RBA Professional Data Systems, Inc. to develop a recording notification service by April 30, 2021 at a total cost of \$9,885 – Dept. 133.

Commissioner Pipe asked if Joe has discussed with RBA an annual maintenance or service fee if they were not serving as a contracted vendor of the County. Joe noted that other comparable services have an annual fee between \$1,500 to \$2,000.

Action: *On a motion by Commissioner Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Dershem, the Board voted unanimously to add the proposal from RBA Professional Data Systems to next week's Consent Agenda.*

X. **CONSENT AGENDA**

On a motion by Commissioner Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Dershem, the Board voted unanimously to approve this week's Consent Agenda.

- A. Correctional Facility – Contract renewal with PrimeCare Medical to provide comprehensive healthcare services for those incarcerated at the Correctional Facility. The contract total is \$1,077,922.91 for the period of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. Annual increases in compensation shall be adjusted by the previous calendar year's twelve month average of the Cost-of-Living Index for the U.S. City Average of Medical Care Services as published by the United States Department of Labor with a 0.5 percentage reduction of the aforementioned average, but shall be no less than two (2.0%) percent and no more than four and one half percent (4 ½ %). The agreement is effective from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2025 - Dept. 333.

B. Human Services

i. Aging

1. Lease renewal with Urban Philipsburg Tower LLC d/b/a Philipsburg Tower Apartments to lease the first-floor community and office space at the Philipsburg Towers for the Philipsburg Senior Resource Center. This agreement totals \$13,800 for the period of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2023 – Dept. 521.
2. Lease renewal with the Mountaintop Area Medical Center for the Snow Shoe Senior Resource Center. The agreement totals \$23,280 for the period of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2024 – Dept. 521.

C. **GRANTS**

i. Human Services

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1. Aging – Local Agency Grant Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting through the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture for the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program. This agreement is for the period of May 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020, each successive Program year commencing on January 1 and running through December 31. The termination date of the agreement is December 31, 2024 – Dept. 521.

ii. Planning – Submission of the Chesapeake Bay Office Grant Programs Additional Funds Request Form to request additional funding from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection for the Countywide Action Plan Implementation Grant. This request totals \$424,856, which is allocated as follows: 2021 implementation \$324,856 and coordination \$100,000, which is State funded – Dept. 151.

XI. AUTHORITIES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

ABC	Name	Action	Term
RSVP Advisory Council	Ben Malone	Appointment	January 1, 2021 – December 31 - 2023
General Authority	Paul Morris	Appointment to fill the unexpired term of Jeff Fortin	January 1, 2021 – January 31, 2023
Industrial Development Authority	Paul Morris	Appointment to fill the unexpired term of Jeff Fortin	January 1, 2021 – January 31, 2023

Action: *On a motion by Commissioner Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Dershem, the Board voted unanimously to approve the ABC appointments.*

XII. LETTER OF SUPPORT

XIII. LIQUID FUELS – FEE FOR LOCAL USE

A. Liquid Fuels payment in the amount of \$12,000 to Walker Township to replace existing pipe and construct concrete headwall, install rip rap at end of pipe and repair trench in the roadway. – Dept. 411.

B. Fee for Local Use application to PennDOT from College Township for the Brush Valley Road Bridge rehabilitation project in the amount of \$78,000 – Dept. 412.

Action: *On a motion by Commissioner Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Dershem, the Board voted unanimously to payment to Walker Township and submission of the College Township application to PennDOT.*

XIV. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

XV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

XVI. CHECK RUN

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XVII. C-NET REQUESTS

XVIII. REPORTS - ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Voter Registration Report

Commissioner Dershem reported 112,240 registered voters in Centre County. The precinct of the week is #5 Bellefonte West with 1,464 registered voters.

B. Announcements

Centre County Government Offices will be closed on Monday, January 18 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

XIX. EXECUTIVE SESSION REPORT

XX. PUBLIC MEETING SCHEDULE

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Tuesday, January 5, 2021

Board of Commissioners – 10 AM – Virtual

Thursday, January 7, 2021

Board of Commissioners/Salary Board – 10 AM – Virtual

XXI. BID / PROPOSAL SCHEDULE

XXII. ELECTION ANNOUNCEMENTS

XXIII. QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS

XXIV. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Commissioner Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Dershem, the Board voted unanimously to move into executive session at 10:43 AM.

ATTEST:

Margaret N. Gray
Administrator