

## MINUTE BOOK

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

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Special Meeting Minute No. 1120

December 28, 2020

A special meeting of the Washington County Board of Commissioners was held in the Public Meeting Room, Courthouse Square, Washington, Pa., with the following members being present: Commissioners Diana Irey Vaughan, Larry Maggi and Nick Sherman. Also being present are Solicitor Jana Grimm; Chief of Staff John Haynes; Finance Director Josh Hatfield; Chief Clerk Cynthia Griffin; Administrative Assistant Joyce Thornburg; Executive Secretary Patrick Geho; Planning representative Jason Theakston; Information Technology representative Dan Kennedy; and Observer-Reporter representative Mike Jones.

Mrs. Vaughan called the meeting to order at approximately 10 a.m., and announced this meeting is video and audio live streamed via Facebook.

Mr. Vaughan led the meeting with a prayer.

Mr. Maggi led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval, on behalf of Finance, of a tax levy and appropriation resolution fixing the tax rate for 2021 at 2.43 mills for county purposes and appropriating specific sum estimates to be required for the specific purposes of county government for the year 2021. Mr. Maggi noted he realizes the passing of the budget is a complex task and appreciates the hard work of the Finance Director, Joshua Hatfield however he is still against the spending of \$10 million for the purchase of the new county building, taken from the fund balance. Also, Mr. Maggi added he is against the expansion of Human Services in the amount of \$2.5 million. He realizes currently this budget is only showing \$1.5 million, and will act accordingly when the time comes. With the above being said, Mr. Maggi will vote to adopt the budget.

Moved by Mr. Sherman; seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the 2021 budget.

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes; Mrs. Vaughan – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval, on behalf of Finance, of the annual supplemental appropriation.

Moved by Mr. Sherman; seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the supplemental appropriation.

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes; Mrs. Vaughan – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval, on behalf of Finance, of a policy renewal agreement for workers' compensation coverage with Safety National. The policy premium is in the amount of \$216,767 and will be effective January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

Moved by Mr. Sherman; seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the policy renewal agreement for workers' compensation coverage with Safety National.

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes; Mrs. Vaughan – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval, on behalf of Finance and Purchasing, of the purchase of firewall upgrades from CDW-G under the PA COSTARS hardware and software contract in the amount of \$26,888.25. The purchase is recommended by Acting Chief Information Officer Matt Cain and the capital committee has approved capital expenditure funds for the purchase.

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Moved by Mr. Sherman; seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the purchase of firewall upgrades from CDW-G.

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes; Mrs. Vaughan – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled Board of Commissioners' meeting will be held Thursday, January 7, 2021. All county offices will be closed Friday, January 1, 2021 in observance of New Year's Day. The Organizational Salary Board meeting of the Washington County Commissioners will be held at 10 a.m., Monday, January 4, 2021.

SOLICITOR

None.

There being no further business, Chairman Vaughan declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 10:04 a.m.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL:

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January 5, 2021

ATTEST: Cynthia S. Suffer  
CHIEF CLERK