

MINUTE BOOK

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

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Minute No. 1153

June 2, 2022

The Washington County Commissioners met in regular session in the Public Meeting Room, Courthouse Square, Washington, Pa., with the following members being present: Larry Maggi and Nick Sherman. Diana Irey Vaughan was absent. Also present are Solicitor Jana Grimm; Human Services Director Kim Rogers; Prothonotary Laura Hough; Register of Wills James Roman; Veterans representative Leigh Mawhinney; Information Technology representative Dylan Johnson; Sheriff Deputies Jack Cameron and Sean Costa; WJPA representative Joe Jasek; Pastor; Fred McCloskey of Calvary Baptist Church; American Legion 25th District Commander Deb Williams; Register of Wills Jim Roman; Planning representative Kalie Chasko; Executive Secretaries Marie Trossman and Randi Marodi; concerned citizens Jim Piper; Debbie Weiss; J. Jefferys; Kerry Gallick; Liz Molinaro; Beverly Holmes; Fred Bender; Jennifer Morris; Catherine Casciotti; Judy Stapel; Bonnie Rankin; Susan Bender; Ashley Duff; Becky Reid; Bruce Bandel; Camille Papia; Corey McConn; Ann Shaner; Frank Byrd; Dheaven Kelly; and John Gallick;

Mr. Maggi called the meeting to order at approximately 2 p.m. and announced this meeting is video and audio live-streamed via Facebook.

Pastor Fred McCloskey led the meeting with a prayer.

Ms. Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Maggi entertained a motion approving Minute No. 1152 dated May 19, 2022.

Moved by Mr. Sherman; seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving Minute No. 1152 as written.

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

None.

RECESS FOR PHOTOS)PUBLIC COMMENT

The following Washington County residents addressed the Commissioners during public comment:

Fred Bender spoke about the claims that the 2020 election was stolen, pointing out that there is a Republican blueprint in place to continue to spread distrust so that the 2024 election results can be overturned if former President Donald Trump or his appointed successors loses the election. He said this is what he cries for audits and paper ballots only are all about.

Jim Roman, the Register of Wills, read an email from someone from Wheeling, WV, who visited his office to obtain a marriage license. The email commended Roman's staff for their pleasant demeanor, customer service, and helpfulness.

Ashley Duff discussed claims that the Commissioners were not formally presented with a recommendation for an audit, claiming that an audit had already been approved by the chairman. She questioned why the election review board wasn't included in the audit process, the director of election's response to her packet of information, and the Commissioners refusal to meet have a follow-up meeting with her to discuss the issues. She said she is tired of being lied to and she doesn't trust the electoral process or county government. She asked the board to resign if they don't want to do anything about these issues. Becky Reid said she and others are concerned about our county, state, and nation after the 2020 election. She participated in a door-to-door election canvass and met a lady who lived alone for ten years but said there were six people, who she did not know, had voted from her address. She wants the board to do the will of the people and make sure votes are counted accurately and fairly. She requested the board audit the vote. She also wants a question placed on the Nov. 8, 2022 ballot to allow voters to choose between voting machines and paper ballots.

Camille Papia addressed election issues that were brought up at the last meeting, stating that there weren't any memory sticks missing in Allegheny County, that provisional ballots are to be used to handle name-change issues, and that France's ability to utilize paper ballots is due to the fact that their population is 1/6 the size of the populous of the United States. She questioned the motives of the people who use their cell phones to record the speakers at the meeting and said there is no reason to do this because the meetings are live-streamed on the Commissioners' Facebook page.

Annie Shaner discussed a book called *Strongmen: Mussolini to the Present* that described the persona and how former President Trump used it as a blueprint to propagate violence and retool democracy to manipulate elections.

Dheaven Kelly said many of the issues discussed at the meetings have nothing to do with county business and he said the founding fathers warned us against democracy. He said democracy only kills. Laura Hough, the Prothonotary, discussed the drop-off boxes used in Pennsylvania during the May 2022 primary election and stressed again her request that the Commissioners reach out to other counties to discuss her concerns about unmanned drop-off boxes. She also invited everyone to a free showing of the 2000 Mules documentary at 6:30 p.m. on June 8 at the Loft at Southpointe.

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S RESPONSE

None

OLD BUSINESS

BID AWARD

Solicitor Grimm recommended the Board, on behalf of Purchasing, award the Broadband Services proposal, Section A6-a, for a unified turnkey solution providing Broadband Connectivity for 29 residents and eight businesses in the Glyde area, to DQE Communications, Pittsburgh, PA, for 1.75 miles of fiber at a total cost of \$100,591 of which Washington County will pay \$45,091, the remainder will be supplemented by DQE Communications. The total cost will be funded from the American Rescue Plan Act Fund.

Moved by Mr. Sherman, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the bid award to DQE Communications.

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor Grimm recommended the Board, on behalf of Purchasing, award the Broadband Services proposal, Section A6-c, for a unified turnkey solution providing Broadband Connectivity for 73 residents and 9 businesses in the Beallsville area, to DQE Communications, Pittsburgh, PA, for 1.00 miles of fiber at a total cost of \$167,153 of which Washington County will pay \$29,153, the remainder will be supplemented by DQE Communications. The total cost will be funded from the American Rescue Plan Act Fund.

Moved by Mr. Sherman, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the bid award to DQE Communications

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor Grimm recommended the Board, on behalf of Purchasing, award the bid for the furnishing, delivery, and installation or repair of flooring for all Washington County facilities to Don Greer's Fashion Floors, Washington, PA. This contract is awarded based on the price per square yard/square foot or hourly labor rates plus a 25% mark up from cost on most flooring products. The rates per square yard or square foot vary depending on the type of flooring. All work will be done on an as-needed basis. This was the only bid received and it met all of the specifications. This contract will be effective from June 1, 2022 through May 31, 2023, with the option to extend for three additional one-year periods upon mutual agreement.

Moved by Mr. Sherman, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the bid for furnishing, delivery, and installation/repair of flooring for all County facilities to Don Greer's Fashion Floors.

Roll call vote taken:

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Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes.
Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor Grimm recommended the Board, on behalf of Purchasing and Building and Grounds, award the vehicle repairs and maintenance bid per section on a time and material basis to the following vendors for Sections I., II., & III:

- General Mechanical Repairs
Fox Ford Inc., Waynesburg, PA
Time and Material Basis \$119.00 Hourly Rate
Percentage Discount from List Price on Replacement Parts 20%

Powell's Auto Body, Bentleyville, PA
Time and Material Basis \$70.00 Hourly Rate
Percentage Discount from List Price on Replacement Parts – None
- Body Repairs
Powell's Auto Body, Bentleyville, PA
Time and Material Basis Hourly Rate - \$58.00 Bodywork, \$39.00 Paint & materials.
Percentage Discount from List Price on Replacement Parts – None
- Air Conditioning Repair
Fox Ford Inc., Waynesburg, PA
Time and Material Basis \$119.00 Hourly Rate
Percentage Discount from List Price on Replacement Parts 20%

Powell's Auto Body, Bentleyville, PA
Time and Material Basis \$70.00 Hourly Rate
Percentage Discount from List Price on Replacement Parts - None

This contract will be effective June 2, 2022 through April 30, 2023, with the option to renew for one additional year. All items have been awarded to the lowest most responsive and responsible bidders meeting the specifications.

Moved by Mr. Sherman, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the vehicle maintenance and repair bids.

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval, on behalf of the Planning Commission, of an agreement with Mackin Engineering for construction inspection of Chartiers #53, Hough bridge in Canton Township. The total cost of \$111,710.73 will be paid 100% federal funds.

Moved by Mr. Sherman; seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the agreement with Mackin Engineering.

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval, on behalf of the Planning Commission, of a hay lease with Curt Hamilton to cut and remove hay from designated areas in Cross Creek Park. For every 10 square bales, the County shall receive 1 square bale. The term of the lease is June 1, 2022 through May 31, 2023.

Moved by Mr. Sherman; seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the hay lease.

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval, on behalf of the Planning

Commission of the following two division orders with Range Resources for wells associated with the Cross Creek County Park lease.

Raymond Margaria B Unit: 0.00045822 decimal interest

Raymond Margaria C Unit: 0.00054028 decimal interest

Moved by Mr. Sherman; seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the two division orders with Range Resources

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval, on behalf of the Planning Commission, of an amendment of the previously approved reimbursement agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PADOT) for construction costs to replace the Chartiers #53 bridge in Canton Township. The revised cost of \$1,965,000 is paid 80% Federal, 15% State, and 5% County for engineering, utilities, and right of way; and 100% federal for construction. Said motion includes the authorization for the Chair of the Board, Diana Irey Vaughan, to execute the agreement as well as designates the Chair as the authorized signature on the agreement.

Moved by Mr. Sherman; seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the amendment of the previously approved reimbursement agreement with PADOT.

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval, on behalf of Finance and the District Attorney, of the annual Equitable Sharing agreement and certification with the United States Department of Justice and the United States Department of Treasury for the calendar year ended December 31, 2021.

Moved by Mr. Sherman; seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the annual Equitable Sharing agreement and certification with the US Department of Treasury.

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval, on behalf of Finance, of a renewal agreement of the County's property and casualty insurance for 2022-2023 with PA Counties Risk Pool (PCoRP) for general liability, auto liability, public officials' liability, privacy and security liability, property, equipment, and crime coverages. The annual premium is \$662,207 and covers the period of June 1, 2022 through June 1, 2023.

Moved by Mr. Sherman; seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the renewal agreement of the County's property and casualty insurance for 2022-2023 with PA Counties Risk Pool (PCoRP)

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval, on behalf of Human Resources of the arbitration award issued for terms and conditions of a collective bargaining agreement to replace the agreement that expired on December 31, 2021, between Washington County and the Deputy Sheriffs Association of Washington County, Local 900. The award is for the period of January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2024. The collective bargaining agreement that expired on December 31, 2021, will be revised to integrate the terms and provisions of this award to include the previously approved annual wage increases.

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- 2022 – 3.00%
- 2023 – 2.75%
- 2024 – 2.50%

Moved by Mr. Sherman; seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the arbitration award between Washington County and the Deputy Sheriffs Association, Local 900.

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Sherman requested to table the following items until the next meeting due to not having the proper time to research these agreements.

- (a.) Behavioral Health and Developmental Services respectfully requests the Commissioners approve provider agreements in the amount of \$5,288,400 for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, with the list of previously approved providers. No county funds are required.
- (b.) Behavioral Health and Developmental Services respectfully requests the Commissioners approve provider agreements in the amount of \$15,600 for the period of July 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, with the list of previously approved providers. No county funds are required.
- (c.) Children and Youth Services respectfully requests the Commissioners approve provider agreements in the amount of \$910,000 for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, with the list of previously approved providers. No county funds are required.
- (d.) Children and Youth Services respectfully requests the Commissioners approve provider agreements in the amount of \$350,000 for the period of May 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, with the list of previously approved providers. No county funds are required.

Moved by Mr. Sherman; seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving to table a., b., c., and d. above, until the next meeting, due to not having the proper time to research these agreements.

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval of the provider agreements with Dr. Eric Bernstein and Dr. Terry O'Hara to complete psychological and interactional evaluations for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. The contract authorization amount is \$100,000 each and no county funds are required.

Moved by Mr. Sherman; seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the above provider agreements.

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval of a provider agreement with Dr. Neil Rosenblum to complete psychological and interactional evaluations for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. The contract authorization amount is \$125,000 and no county funds are required.

Moved by Mr. Sherman; seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the above provider agreement.

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval, on behalf of Purchasing and Parks and Recreation, authorizing the advertising for proposals for a leash-free area in Cross Creek Park.

Moved by Mr. Sherman; seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the advertising for proposals for a lease free area.

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval, on behalf of Purchasing and Building and Grounds, of an agreement with Building Control Systems, Inc., for preventative maintenance of the HVAC temperature control system for the Family Court Center. This agreement will be effective from August 1, 2022 through July 31, 2023, at a yearly cost of \$4,305. All repairs will be done on an as-needed basis at the rate of \$125/hour at the regular time.

Moved by Mr. Sherman; seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the agreement with Building Control Systems, Inc.

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval of an addendum to our current coffee and equipment agreement with J.D. Marra Hotel & Restaurant Service to transfer ownership to Belfiore Coffee & Food Service Company, LLC. This agreement will continue through July 31, 2023, under the same contract terms and conditions, with an option to extend for one additional year.

Moved by Mr. Sherman; seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the agreement with J.D. Marra Hotel & Restaurant Service to transfer ownership to Belfiore Coffee & Food Service Co., LLC.

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval, on behalf of Purchasing and Building and Grounds, to approve an agreement with Bill Anderson Auctioneers, LLC, of Export, PA, for the purpose of conducting an online auction liquidating county surplus vehicles, inventory, and equipment on an as-needed basis. This agreement will be effective June 2, 2022, at the following approved cost criteria.

- Conduct Auction at a 25% commission on personal property and equipment plus 10% Buyer premium. 0% commission on vehicles with a 10% Buyer premium.
- Auction Set up \$100 per day.
- Advertisement Cost (approx. \$400)
- Bank credit card charge per transaction (approx. 2.75%) of the selling price.

Moved by Mr. Sherman; seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the agreement with Bill Anderson Auctioneers, LLC.

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval to extend and execute Amendment No. 3 to the lease between the Washington County Authority (WCA) and the County of Washington. The lease covers the Washington County Correctional Facility known as the Justice Center, Courthouse Square building, associated plaza facilities, and parking facilities. Amendment No. 3 extends the facility leases and has a mutual expiration date of December 31, 2022.

Moved by Mr. Sherman; seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving to extend and execute Amendment No. 3, to the lease between the Washington County Authority and the County of Washington.

Roll call vote taken:

Mr. Sherman – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

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