

BUSINESS SESSION: THURSDAY, JULY 20, 2023, 10:00 A.M.

Location: Commissioners Meeting Room, Basement.

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CALL TO ORDER:

Commissioner Erb called the meeting to order.

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION:

Commissioner Erb called for a moment of silent reflection.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

Commissioner Erb requested that those participating in the meeting please stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present:

Commissioner Erb, Commissioner Burke, Commissioner Webster and Assistant County Administrator Senkevich.

Members Absent:

Chief Clerk Hemminger, Solicitor Karn and Assistant Solicitor Muriceak.

Others Present:

David Kessling (Public), Carol A. Dannenberg (Hollidaysburg Community Watchdog), Glenn Nelson (Fort Roberdeau), Angela Wagner and AC Stickel (Controller's Office), Lindsay Dempsie and Brandon Meck (Finance), Rebecca Robinson (Purchasing), Nicole Smith (Court Administration), Kay Stephens (Altoona Mirror), Judy Rosser and Amanda Grannas (Blair Drug and Alcohol Partnership) and Melissa Harpster (Commissioners Office).

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Commissioner Erb called for public comment. **There were no comments noted.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Adoption of Resolutions:

Resolution 337-2023: Approving the FY 23/24 Provision of Single County Authority (SCA) Functions Agreement between the County of Blair and Blair County Drug and Alcohol for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

Motion by Commissioner Erb, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 337-2023.

Resolution 338-2023: Approving an allocation of Opioid Settlement Funds, in the not to exceed amount of \$10,715.00, to support the purchase of prevention/intervention curriculum to support youth within the Blair County School District. The curriculum will be utilized to support youth identified with trauma and/or youth with caregivers that have a substance use disorder.

Motion by Commissioner Erb, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 338-2023.

Resolution 339-2023: Approving a quote received from NDAA Professional Liability Insurance for the Blair County District Attorney's Office, in the total amount of \$16,691.00, for the period of August 1, 2023 through August 1, 2024.

Motion by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 339-2023.

Resolution 340-2023: Approving a Facility Event Agreement between the County of Blair, on behalf of the Department of Emergency Services and the Blair County Convention Center for the use of Ballrooms 1 and 2, from 3 pm on August 2, 2023 to 10 pm on August 2, 2023, to conduct the county-wide TRANSCAR Exercise, in the total amount of \$3,000.00 which includes a meal. \$1,440.00 to be reimbursed by HMEP Grant Funds; and \$1,560.00 to be paid from the LEPC Hazardous Materials Fund.

Motion by Commissioner Webster, seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 340-2023.

Resolution 341-2023: Approving the submission of a Chapter 105 Water Obstructions and Encroachment General Permit Registration Application (General Permit 11) to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), Bureau of Waterways Engineering and Wetlands for the scour repair project to Blair County Bridge #29/over Spencer Run, located in Allegheny Township.

Motion by Commissioner Webster, seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 341-2023.

Resolution 342-2023: Approving an Easement Agreement between the County of Blair and the Altoona Water Authority for a newly constructed water line between Jackson Avenue and George Avenue in the City of Altoona.

Motion by Commissioner Webster, seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 342-2023.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ballpark Improvement Fund:

Allison Senkevich requested approval of the Assignment of Ballpark Improvement Fund Agreement between the Altoona Blair County Development Corporation, County of Blair, Lozinak Professional Baseball, LLC, The Lakemont Partnership, The Blair County Convention and Sports Facility Authority, and DBH Altoona.

Assistant County Administrator Senkevich stated that all signature pages to the agreement have been received and the Board may move forward with approval action if they so choose.

Discussion followed.

Resolution 343-2023: Approving the Assignment of Ballpark Improvement Fund Agreement between the Altoona Blair County Development Corporation, County of Blair, Lozinak Professional Baseball, LLC, the Lakemont Partnership, the Blair County Convention and Sports Facility Authority, and DBH Altoona.

Motion by Commissioner Erb, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 343-2023.

NEW BUSINESS:

Fort Roberdeau:

Glenn Nelson requesting approval to submit a Level 2 funding proposal (\$250,000.00 to \$1,000,000.00) to the American 250 Pennsylvania (A250PA) Infrastructure Improvements and Projects Committee by Fort Roberdeau, a Revolutionary War National Historic Site, for the following proposed infrastructure improvement projects: Expanding parking lots, refurbishing barn and roof replacement, picket fence replacement, construction of a cabin-wall fashion cabin, brick pathways removal and replacement with concrete pathways, and 4 pound cannon as was actually at the fort and such.

Mr. Nelson stated that he was just notified yesterday by A250PA encouraging the Fort to submit a funding proposal for infrastructure improvement projects to the Fort. He requested that the Board consider approval action as the proposal must be submitted by close of business on Thursday, July 20.

Discussion followed.

Resolution 344-2023: Approving Glenn Nelson, Fort Roberdeau Director, to complete and submit a Level 2 funding proposal (\$250,000.00 to \$1,000,000.00) to the American 250 Pennsylvania (A250PA) Infrastructure Improvements and Projects Committee for the following proposed infrastructure improvement projects at Fort Roberdeau: Expanding parking lots, refurbishing barn and roof replacement, picket fence replacement, construction of a cabin-wall fashion cabin, brick pathways removal and replacement with concrete pathways, and 4 pound cannon as was actually at the fort and such.

Motion by Commissioner Webster, seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 344-2023.

Court Administration:

Nicole Smith requested approval of a quote received and a County of Blair Agreement for the Purchase of Professional Services by and between the County of Blair on behalf of the Court of Common Pleas, and VoicePlus LLC for court reporter training services set forth in Exhibit A, in the total amount of \$4,500.00 (\$4,000.00 to be paid by the county and \$500.00 to be paid by the trainee).

Commissioner Erb recommended to amend the request and for the County to pay the full amount of the training. He does not feel the employee should be required to pay \$500.00 out of pocket for the training.

Commissioners Burke and Webster agreed with Commissioner Erb's recommendation to amend the request.

Discussion followed.

Resolution 345-2023: Approving a quote received and a County of Blair Agreement for the Purchase of Professional Services by and between the County of Blair on behalf of the Court of Common Pleas, and VoicePlus LLC for court reporter training services set forth in Exhibit A, in the total amount of \$4,500.00 to be paid by the county.

Motion by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 345-2023 with the amendment to the request as noted.

ADJOURN:

Meeting Adjourned,

Allison G. Senkevich, Assistant County Administrator