

BUSINESS SESSION: THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 2022, 10:00 A.M.

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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 those participating in the meeting to please stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call:

Members Present:

Commissioner Erb, Commissioner Burke, Commissioner Webster, and Chief Clerk Hemminger.

Members Absent:

Solicitor Karn and Assistant Solicitor Muriceak.

Others Present:

Kay Stephens (Altoona Mirror), Lindsay Dempsie and Brandon Meck (Finance), Carol A. Dannenberg (Holidaysburg Community Watchdog Group), Paul Shaffer (Public Works), AC Stickel (Controller), Trina Illig (Social Services), Allison Senkevich and Melissa Harpster (Commissioner's Office).

Approval of Meeting Minutes: 07/26/22 and 07/28/22

Commissioner Erb called for corrections or changes to the meeting minutes of 07/26/22 and 07/28/22.

There were no corrections or changes noted.

Motion by Commissioner Webster, seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously approved to accept the minutes as prepared.

Public Comment:

Commissioner Erb called for public comment.

There were no comments noted.

Unfinished Business:

Adoption of Resolutions:

Resolution 280-2022: Approving a Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) Probation with Restrictive Conditions Subgrant Award #2022-IP-ST-37214, in the total amount of \$315,000.00, for the period of 07/01/22 through 06/30/22.

Motion by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 280-2022.

Resolution 281-2022: Approving an Amendment to the Comprehensive Health Services Agreement by and between the County of Blair, and PrimeCare Medical, Inc., dated 03/01/18, amending said agreement to provide an additional full-time Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) for forty (40) hours per week, Monday-Friday, with compensation increased by \$91,034.88 per year/\$7,586.24 per month, in addition to the amounts set forth in the underlying agreement. The month in which services commence, compensation shall be prorated.

Motion by Commissioner Webster, seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 281-2022.

Resolution 282-2022: Approving an Addendum to the Statement of Work (SOW) dated 01/06/22, between the County of Blair, Blair County Children, Youth and Families (CYF) and CAI Health & Human Services, to identify viable candidates for open staff positions, for pricing at 20% of the annual salary outlined in the county's offer letter upon hire with 50% payable immediately and 50% payable upon the candidate's successful completion of ninety (90) days of employment.

Motion by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 282-2022.

Resolution 283-2022: Approving the Contractor's Application for Payment No. 1 (final) received from John Claar Excavating, Inc., in the total amount of \$41,387.86 for the existing pavilion located at the Fort Roberdeau Historic Site as part of the FY 2017 CDBG demolition of the Sinking Valley Grange Hall #484 project's mitigation agreement between the County of Blair and the Pennsylvania State Historic Preservation Office.

Motion by Commissioner Erb, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 283-2022.

Resolution 284-2022: Approving an Amendment to Exhibit A to the Trustmark Benefits, Inc. Agreement, effective January 1, 2021 granting Trustmark Benefits, Inc. authority to enter into payment agreements to obtain discounts on services under the Plan.

Motion by Commissioner Erb, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 284-2022.

Resolution 285-2022: Approving an Amendment to Exhibit A to the Trustmark Benefits Inc. Agreement, effective January 1, 2022 amending and modifying agreement as set forth below:

- Section 6.07 of the Trustmark Benefits, Inc. Agreement, Run-Out, is deleted in its entirety and replaced effective January 1, 2022;
- Exhibit A to the Trustmark Benefits, Inc. Agreement is deleted in its entirety and replaced effective January 1, 2022;
- The Addendum to Agreement for Plan Supervisor CoreSource Edge Services is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the Enhanced Claims Control Services Addendum effective January 1, 2022; and
- The Addendum to Administrative Services Agreement Business Associate Agreement is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the HIPAA Business Associate Agreement Addendum.

Motion by Commissioner Erb, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 285-2022.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Coroner's Office:

Commissioner Webster requested approval of one-1 Penn State University intern, Evangeline (Angie) Miller, for the period of August 29, 2022 through December 2, 2022 (120 hours). Internship is for credit only and at no cost to the county.

Commissioner Webster stated all the required documents pertaining to the internship have been received and approved by the Human Resources Department. She stated that the internship is at no cost to the county.

Resolution 286-2022: A Resolution approving one-1 Penn State University intern, Evangeline (Angie) Miller, for the period of August 29, 2022 through December 2, 2022 (120 hours). Internship is for credit only and at no cost to the county.

Motion by Commissioner Webster, seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 286-2022.

Elections/Voter's Registration:

Commissioner Webster requested approval for the submission of an application for the Election Integrity Grant Program (EIGP), with a monetary amount of \$398,913.63 to be distributed to Blair County.

Commissioner Webster stated that there are stipulations with use of funding. She stated that the county would be the applicant, however, the decisions regarding use of the funding would be up to the Board of Elections.

Discussion followed.

Resolution 287-2022: A resolution approving the submission of an application for the Election Integrity Grant Program (EIGP), with a monetary amount of \$398,913.63 to be distributed to Blair County.

Motion by Commissioner Webster, seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 287-2022.

Social Services:

Trina Illig requested approval for the submission of a HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) Grant Application, in the amount of \$315,000.00, and authorization for the Chief Elected Official to sign said application for funding. HOME Funds will be incorporated into the County's Housing Rehabilitation Program to complete approximately five-5 additional owner-occupied rehabilitation units.

Discussion followed.

Resolution 288-2022: A resolution approving the submission of a HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) Grant Application, in the amount of \$315,000.00, and authorization for the Chief Elected Official to sign said application for funding. HOME Funds will be incorporated into the County's Housing Rehabilitation Program to complete approximately five-5 additional owner-occupied rehabilitation units.

Motion by Commissioner Erb, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 288-2022.

Public Works:

Paul Shaffer requested approval of a quote received from G & R Excavating and Demolition, in the total amount of \$8,500.00, to demolish and remove two-2 (repository property) mobile homes and surrounding debris, located at 566 and 570 Gildea Lane, Duncansville, PA 16635. Once demolition is completed, disturbed areas will be prepped with topsoil and seed.

Mr. Shaffer stated that demolishing will be pending receipt of the necessary permits from Allegheny Township.

Discussion followed.

Resolution 289-2022: A resolution approving a quote received from G & R Excavating and Demolition, in the total amount of \$8,500.00, to demolish and remove two-2 (repository property) mobile homes and surrounding debris, located at 566 and 570 Gildea Lane, Duncansville, PA 16635, pending receipt of the necessary permits from Allegheny Township. Once demolition is completed, disturbed areas will be prepped with topsoil and seed.

Motion by Commissioner Webster, seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 289-2022.

Natural Gas Pricing:

Discussion concerning Resolution 249-2022 dated 07/07/22.

Current 2.813 blended rate

Contract Term	05/25/22	06/21/22	06/29/22	07/05/22	07/06/22	08/02/22	08/03/22	08/04/22
12 months	7.32	5.85	5.87	5.15	4.94	6.519	6.411	
24 months	6.05	5.37	5.30	4.86	4.62	5.641	5.582	
36 months	5.45	5.20	5.09	4.77	4.55	5.322	5.262	
42 months	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
48 months	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	

Chief Clerk Hemminger stated that Resolution 249-2022 dated 07/07/22 authorized Mike Polosky of Efficient Energy Solutions to lock in the rate for 50% of the county’s natural gas at a rate up to 4.39 fixed for a period of twenty-four (24) months.

Chief Clerk Hemminger stated Mr. Polosky was unable to secure that rate, therefore, Resolution 249-2022 will need to be amended to reflect a different rate and terms. She stated that Mr. Polosky has not yet provided the rates for today.

Commissioner Erb recommended that the Board consider authorizing Mr. Polosky to lock in the rate for 50% of the county’s natural gas at a rate up to 5.30 fixed for a period of twenty-four (24) months.

Discussion followed.

Resolution 290-2022: Approving to amend Resolution 249-2022, dated 07/07/22, as outlined below:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of the County of Blair, Pennsylvania that Mike Polosky of Efficient Energy Solutions is hereby authorized to lock in the rate of 50% of the county’s natural gas at a rate up to 5.30 for a period of twenty-four (24) months.

Motion by Commissioner Erb, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 290-2022.

Adjourn:

Meeting Adjourned,

Nicole M. Hemminger, Chief Clerk