

BUSINESS SESSION: THURSDAY, JUNE 15, 2023, 10:00 A.M.

Location: Commissioners Meeting Room, Basement.

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CALL TO ORDER:

Commissioner Burke called the meeting to order.

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION:

Commissioner Burke called for a moment of silent reflection.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

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

ROLL CALL:

Members Present:

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

Members Absent:

Commissioner Erb, Chief Clerk Hemminger, Solicitor Karn and Assistant Solicitor Muriceak.

Others Present:

Melissa Harpster (Commissioner's Office), Rebecca Robinson (Purchasing), Brian Walters (HR), Sherry Socie (Planning Commission), Paul Shaffer (Public Works/Highway), Kay Stephens (Altoona Mirror) and David Kessling (Public).

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: 06/06/23 and 06/08/23

Commissioner Burke called for corrections or changes to the meeting minutes of 06/06/23 and 06/08/23. **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 Burke called for public comment. **There were no comments noted.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Adoption of Resolutions:

Resolution 281-2023: Approving a Change Order received from Stelco Inc. for the additional electrical work being completed on the Valley View Park Amphitheater project as part of the DCNR grant award in the total amount of \$694.48.

Motion by Commissioner Webster, seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 281-2023.

Resolution 282-2023: Approving a Letter of Support for the Blair County Planning Commission's application submission to seek funding for Phase I of a countywide ACT 167 Storm-water Management Plan.

Motion by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 282-2023.

Resolution 283-2023: Approving a no-cost period of performance extension for the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA) Hazardous Material Response Fund (HMRF) Grant Agreement (C950003785) extending the agreement term to January 31, 2024 and the period of performance to December 31, 2023, respectively.

Motion by Commissioner Webster, seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 283-2023.

Resolution 284-2023: Approving an agreement between the County of Blair on behalf of Fort Roberdeau and Schlesinger Communications for a radio advertisement campaign promoting Fort Roberdeau's Star Spangled Event, in the total amount of \$525.00, to be paid by the Fort Roberdeau Association.

Motion by Commissioner Webster, seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 284-2023.

Resolution 285-2023: Approving an Engagement Letter received from McNees Wallace to provide legal services in the lawsuit filed by Matthew Krause, Rebecca Krause, and Isaac Krause at the hourly rates agreed upon in said letter.

Motion by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 285-2023.

Resolution 286-2023: Approving a FY 22/23 Purchase of Service Agreement and HIPAA Business Associate Agreement between the County of Blair, on behalf of Blair County Children, Youth and Families (CYF) and The Bair Foundation for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

Motion by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 286-2023.

Resolution 287-2023: Approving a FY 23/24 Agreement for Payment of Legal Services between the County of Blair, on behalf of Blair County Children, Youth and Families (CYF) and Rea, Rea & Lashinsky for guardian ad

litem of a child or court appointed additional counsel services of a child by Order of the Court, for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

Motion by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 287-2023.

Resolution 288-2023: Approving updates to the Adoption Agreement between the County of Blair and Nationwide Retirement Solutions for 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan for Public Employees, including:

- Addition of language to comply with the Secure Act and other law changes and certificate of adoption resolution;
- Addition of language to comply with the CARES Act and certificate of adopting resolution;
- Addition of a provision for 457 Roth deferrals and conversions. This amendment reflects Code Section 402A as amended by the Small Business Jobs Act of 2010. Adoption of the Roth Amendment effective June 1, 2023, would give county employees an additional option for retirement planning, at no cost to the county.

Motion by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 288-2023.

Resolution 289-2023: Approving payment of the Patient-Centered Outcome Research Institute (PCORI) fee established by Health Care Reform to support clinical effectiveness research for plan year ending March 31, 2022 in the total amount of \$1,872.98.

Motion by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 289-2023.

Resolution 290-2023: Approving an Application for a Highway Occupancy Permit submitted by Texas Eastern Transmission LP, for a pipeline replacement project along the East Side of County Road 101/Everett Road and along the West Side of Dunning's Highway/220 SR3013.

Mrs. Senkevich stated that the county is still waiting receipt of correct bond documents. She asked that this request be moved to the agenda of June 20, 2023.

No action taken.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Park and Recreation Advisory Board:

Melissa Harpster approval to purchase one-1, 4 ft. park bench and plaque, with funds donated for this purpose to the Park and Recreation 035 Reserve Account, in the amount of \$700.00 by Francis L. Barry, Jr., In Memory of Mother, Nellie Westover Barry, 1910-1964. Bench will be placed at Valley View Park.

Discussion followed.

Resolution 291-2023: Approving the purchase of one-1, 4 ft. park bench and plaque, with funds donated for this purpose to the Park and Recreation 035 Reserve Account, in the amount of \$700.00 by Francis L. Barry, Jr., In Memory of Mother, Nellie Westover Barry, 1910-1964. Bench will be placed at Valley View Park.

Motion by Commissioner Webster, seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 291-2023

ADJOURN:

Meeting Adjourned,

Allison G. Senkevich, Assistant County Administrator