

BUSINESS SESSION: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 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 Webster and Chief Clerk Hemminger.

Members Absent:

Commissioner Burke, Solicitor Karn and Assistant Solicitor Muriceak.

Others Present:

Melissa Harpster (Commissioners Office), AC Stickel (Controller), Nate Taylor (Public Access Channel), and Kay Stephens (Altoona Mirror).

Approval of Minutes: 10/03/23 and 10/05/23

Commissioner Erb called for corrections or changes to the meeting minutes of 10/03/23 and 10/05/23. **There were no corrections or changes noted.**

Motion by Commissioner Webster, seconded by Commissioner Erb 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 488-2023: Approving the FY 23/24 Medical Assistance Transportation Program (MATP) initial allocation received from the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services, in the total amount of \$1,838,294.00.

Motion by Commissioner Erb, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 488-2023.

Resolution 489-2023: Approving three-3 After-Hours Access Agreements between the County of Blair and the law firms listed below for after-hours access by listed paralegals and attorneys to the Blair County Register/Recorder's Office and the Prothonotary's Office to conduct Title Searches and Bring-down Searches on Judicial Sale Properties that need to be completed by December 22, 2023:

- Mears & Adams (Beverly Mears, Christine McKeon and Michael Adams) 4 pm to 10 pm, M-F; and 7 am to 10 pm, Saturday, Sunday and Holidays.
- Evey Black Attorneys LLC (Shari Hurm, Danielle Mattern and William Brenner) 4 pm to 10 pm, M-F; and 7 am to 10 pm, Saturday, Sunday and Holidays.
- Sullivan Law Offices LLC (Jill Noel, Shawn P. Sullivan and Ray Wendekier and Katlyn Hoover) 4 pm to 10 pm, M-F and 7 am to 10 pm, Saturday, Sunday and Holidays.

Motion by Commissioner Webster, seconded by Commissioner Erb and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 489-2023.

Resolution 490-2023: Approving two-2 Park and Recreation Reserve Account #035 fund allocation requests for the following purchases:

- i. \$200.00 for the purchase of locks for installation on the water outlets at the five-5 pavilions and one-1 amphitheater at Valley View Park.
- ii. \$100.00 for the purchase of water sealant to be applied to the restroom walls at Valley View Park.

Motion by Commissioner Webster, seconded by Commissioner Erb and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 490-2023.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Commissioners Office:

Chief Clerk Hemminger requested approval of the bid specifications for the 2023-2026 Municipal Solid Waste and Recyclable Material Removal for county-owned buildings, and for approval to advertise for bids for Municipal Solid Waste and Recyclable Material Removal for county-owned buildings for 2023-2026.

Chief Clerk Hemminger stated that the bid specifications and advertisement were drafted mirroring the prior bid documents. She stated that Assistant County Administrator, Allison Senkevich, sent the drafted bid specifications and advertisement to Solicitor Karn for legal review, however, in Allison's absence she is not certain if Solicitor Karn completed his legal review of the documents.

Chief Clerk Hemminger stated she does not anticipate any legal issues with either document and asked that the board consider adopting the Resolution pending legal review.

Discussion followed.

Resolution 491-2023: Approving the bid specifications for the 2023-2026 Municipal Solid Waste and Recyclable Material Removal for county-owned buildings, and for approval to advertise for bids for Municipal Solid Waste and Recyclable Material Removal for county-owned buildings for 2023-2026, pending legal review.

Motion by Commissioner Webster, seconded by Commissioner Erb and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 491-2023.

Adjourn:

Meeting Adjourned,

Nicole M. Hemminger, Chief Clerk