

**BUSINESS SESSION
BLAIR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PARTICIPATION BY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE ONLY
THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 2021, 10:00 A.M.**

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1. CALL TO ORDER
2. MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
4. ROLL CALL
5. PUBLIC COMMENTS
6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Adoption of Resolutions:

Resolution #95-2021: A resolution approving the submission of a FY 2021 Capital Case Indigent Defense Grant Fund Application (#35647) to the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD), in the amount of \$20,000.00, to help supplement the cost associated with contracting with a Holistic Cognitive Consultant, a Neuropsychologist, and a Capital Mitigation Specialist for the Public Defender's Office in representing an indigent client in a capital murder case.

Resolution #96-2021: A resolution approving the submission of a Court Interpreter Services Grant Application for Language Access Reimbursement Costs for calendar year 2020 to the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts (AOPC), in the total amount for costs incurred of \$6,661.35.

Resolution #97-2021: A resolution approving the submission of the Civil Rights Compliance Licensing Renewal Questionnaire to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Human Services, and authorization for Jim Hudack, Interim CYF Administrator to sign said questionnaire.

Resolution #98-2021: A resolution approving a proposal received from Kofile for the preservation of Plan Book #5, in the total amount of \$7,500.00, to be paid from the Recorder of Deeds Improvement Fund Account budgeted for 2021.

Resolution #99-2021: A resolution approving submission of an Application for Land Development and/or Subdivision to Tyrone Township, for Fort Roberdeau site improvement projects associated with the Fort's Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) grant award. Said Application was included in the DCNR grant award for professional fees and contingencies with no fee due at this time.

Resolution #100-2021: A resolution approving a Letter of Support for the NatureWorksPark Trail Additions Project grant request through the Southern Alleghenies Planning and Development Commission's Regional Greenways Mini Grant Program, in the amount of \$4,000.00, to augment the existing facilities already in use through the NatureWorksPark Trail Additions Project.

Resolution #101-2021: A resolution approving a Letter of Support for the submission of an application to the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) by Family Services, Inc. for a Keystone Communities Program grant to support the Family Shelter Rehabilitation Project.

Resolution #102-2021: A resolution approving a Letter of Support for submission of a grant request through the Southern Alleghenies Planning and Development Commission's Regional Greenways Mini Grant Program for the Arc of Blair County to conduct a feasibility study for a bicycle and pedestrian trail on the county's Valley View Park property located near the Becky Sheetz Recreation Center.

Resolution #103-2021: A resolution approving an allocation of Park and Recreation Reserve Account Funds #035, to the Central Blair Recreation and Park Commission, in an amount not to exceed \$7,250.00, for the following activities and programs planned for the summer of 2021 at Valley View Park:

- Playground Program (50 participants, 2 leaders)
\$3,750.00
- Extra Leader Playground Program (75 maximum participants) \$
750.00
- Summer Concert Series \$2,750.00

Resolution #104-2021: A resolution approving the AYSO Region #452 Valley View Park Soccer Field Usage Schedule for Calendar Year 2021 per the Lease Agreement between the County of Blair and AYSO Region #452 for the period April 1, 2021 through October 31, 2021 as follows:

- Monday through Friday 5 pm to park close
- Saturday and Sunday All day (8 am to park close)

Resolution #105-2021: A resolution approving the award of four (4) 2021 Park and Recreation Grants as outlined below:

Greenfield Township (Claysburg Community Park)

- \$2,150.00 for the purchase and installation of one message board & two 8' picnic tables.

NBCRC (Soccer Field)

- \$2,959.40 for the purchase and installation of eight U6 soccer goals & four U10 soccer goals.

Morrison's Cove Memorial Park (Gettysburg Memorial)

- \$3,000.00 to dig and pour footer/foundation, set pre-cast memorial marker and install granite name slab and Gettysburg Stones.

CBRC (Juniata Memorial Park)

- \$3,000.00 for the purchase and installation of park benches.

7. OLD BUSINESS:

Award of bid:

Requesting approval for the award of bid to the lowest responsible bidder meeting specifications for the Blair County Parking Garage Stair Tower Repairs Project.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

Social Services:

Requesting approval of a FY 2020/2021 Contract Amendment between the County of Blair and Blair County Community Action Program, increasing the maximum contract amount to \$8,260,000.00 to provide the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP). The FY 2020/2021 Contract shall continue with respect to ERAP until 12/31/21, unless the ERAP is extended and then until such extension date, or receipt by the county of an approved closeout letter from the Department of Human Services (DHS).

9. ADJOURN:

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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 stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call:

Members Present:

Commissioner Erb, Commissioner Burke, and Commissioner Webster.

Members Absent:

Chief Clerk Hemminger, Solicitor Karn and Assistant Solicitor Muriceak.

Others Present:

Melissa Harpster (Commissioners Office), Jennifer Sleppy and Sarah Chuff (Finance), A. C. Stickel (Controller), Nicole Smith (Court Administration), Anita Terchanik (Recorder of Deeds/Register of Wills), Melissa Gillin (Social Services) and Sergio Carmona (Blair County Community Action).

Public Comments:

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

Unfinished Business:

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Motion by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution #95-2021.

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Motion by Commissioner Erb, seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution #100-2021.

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Motion by Commissioner Erb, seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution #101-2021.

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Motion by Commissioner Webster, seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution #106-2021.

Old Business:

Award of bid:

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Commissioner Erb stated that the bids are still under legal and engineering review. **No action taken.**

New Business:

Social Services:

Melissa Gillin requested approval of a FY 2020/2021 Contract Amendment between the County of Blair and Blair County Community Action Program, increasing the maximum contract amount to \$8,260,000.00 to provide the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP). The FY 2020/2021 Contract shall continue with respect to ERAP until 12/31/21, unless the ERAP is extended and then until such extension date, or receipt by the county of an approved closeout letter from the Department of Human Services (DHS).

Discussion followed.

Motion by Commissioner Erb, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution #106-2021.

Adjourn:

Meeting Adjourned,

Nicole M. Hemminger, Chief Clerk