



# BLAIR COUNTY SALARY BOARD

c/o Blair County Controller, 423 Allegheny St., Ste 141, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648

## Blair County Salary Board Meeting of September 20, 2023

2:30 p.m. In the Commissioners' Public Meeting Room

### Board Members in Attendance:

Commissioner Laura Burke, Controller A.C. Stickel, Commissioner Amy Webster

### Board Members not in Attendance:

Commissioner Bruce Erb

### Non-Board Members in Attendance:

President Judge Elizabeth Doyle<sup>1</sup>, Lindsay Dempsie, DeAnna Heichel, Nicole Hemminger, Cindy James, Melena Koegler, Cathy Lythgoe, Sheriff James Ott<sup>2</sup>, Wendy Pielmeier, Marc Seifert, Allison Senkevich, Katherine Swigart

**Media in Attendance:** NONE

**Quorum:** Present

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**Call to Order:** Commissioner Burke called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

The roll was called by Commissioner Burke.

Commissioner Burke announced a modification to the request for 2 Full-Time Deputies in the Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff is now requesting 3 Full-Time Deputies. The request for the Part-Time Deputy in the Sheriff's Office will be presented prior to the request for the Full-Time Deputies.

**Call for Public Comment:** Commissioner Burke called for public comment on Salary Board items. There were no comments.

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Controller Stickel and seconded by Commissioner Webster that the minutes from the September 6, 2023 meeting be approved. The motion was unanimously carried.

### Court Administration

### Requested by President Judge Elizabeth A. Doyle

Tipstaff Judge Doyle moved to document the reduction of Zana Dively's current maximum hours from 999 per anniversary year to 499 per anniversary year. This position is UMWA-Court, Non-Exempt (Hourly), Part-Time. She would retain her current hourly rate of \$16.03. Commissioner Burke seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

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<sup>1</sup> The Judge is a voting member for Court related office items.

<sup>2</sup> The Sheriff is a voting member for items in that office.

**Court Administration**

**Requested by President Judge Elizabeth A. Doyle**

Tipstaff Judge Doyle moved to document the reduction of Karen Swab's current maximum hours from 999 per anniversary year to 499 per anniversary year. This position is UMWA-Court, Non-Exempt (Hourly), Part-Time. She would retain her current hourly rate of \$14.95. Karen's org code will change to 01160 from 01160DM. Commissioner Burke seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

**Court Administration**

**Requested by President Judge Elizabeth A. Doyle**

Tipstaff Judge Doyle moved to document the reduction of Lou Kensinger's current maximum hours from 999 per anniversary year to 499 per anniversary year. This position is UMWA-Court, Non-Exempt (Hourly), Part-Time. She would retain her current hourly rate of \$11.98. Commissioner Burke seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

**Court Administration**

**Requested by President Judge Elizabeth A. Doyle**

Tipstaff Judge Doyle moved to create this position. This position is UMWA-Court, Non-Exempt (Hourly), Part-Time (limited to 499 per anniversary year) with hourly rate of \$11.58. This position is needed to assist with the decrease of hours for Lou Kensinger. Commissioner Burke seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

**Domestic Relations**

**Requested by Director Marc Seifert**

**Presented by President Judge Elizabeth A Doyle**

Department Clerk I Judge Doyle moved to re-create this position. This position is UMWA-Court, Non-Exempt (Hourly), Full-Time at 35 hours per week with an hourly rate of \$11.03, \$772.10 estimated bi-weekly, \$20,074.60 estimated annually. This position is funded at 66% by state reimbursement. This vacancy is due to the resignation of Sharon Henry effective 09/15/2023. Commissioner Burke seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

**Sheriff**

**Requested by Sheriff James Ott**

Deputy Sheriff Ott moved to re-create this position. This position is UMWA-Court, Non-Exempt (Hourly), Part-Time with an average of 29 hours per week with an hourly rate of \$15.52, \$900.16 estimated bi-weekly, \$23,404.16 estimated annually. This position is limited to 1500 hours per benefit plan year. This vacancy is due to the resignation of Scott Berardinelli effective 09/25/2023. Commissioner Webster seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

**Sheriff**

**Requested by Sheriff James Ott**

Deputy Sheriff Ott moved to re-create 3 positions. These positions are UMWA-Court, Non-Exempt (Hourly), Full-Time at 40 hours per week with an hourly rate of \$15.52, \$1,241.60 estimated bi-weekly, \$32,281.60 estimated annually. These vacancies are due to the resignations of Dustin Weber effective 08/29/2023 and Tristan Johnson effective 09/06/2023; and Kyler Lardieri moving to Part-Time Deputy effective 09/26/2023. Commissioner Webster seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

**Assessment**

**Requested by Chief Assessor DeAnna Heichel**

GIS Mapper/UPI Coordinator I or II Commissioner Burke moved to re-create this position. This position is UMWA-Residual, Non-Exempt (Hourly), Full-Time at 35 hours per week with an hourly rate of \$16.30, \$1,141.00 estimated bi-weekly, \$29,666.00 estimated annually without CPE credential; an hourly rate of \$17.12, \$1,198.40 estimated bi-weekly, \$31,158.40 estimated annually with CPE credential. This vacancy is due to the resignation of Eden VanTries effective 09/15/2023. Commissioner Webster seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

**Social Services**

**Requested by Director Tricia Maceno**

Mental Health Program Specialist Commissioner Burke moved to re-create this position. This position is UMWA-Residual, Non-Exempt (Hourly), Full-Time at 35 hours per week with an hourly rate of \$17.98, \$1,258.00 estimated bi-weekly, \$32,723.60 estimated annually. The wages for this position are reimbursed 95% by the state. This vacancy is due to the resignation of Tracy Fitzpatrick effective 09/15/2023. Commissioner Webster seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

**Social Services**

**Requested by Director Tricia Maceno**

Mental Health Program Specialist-CASSP Commissioner Burke moved to re-create this position. This position is UMWA-Residual, Non-Exempt (Hourly), Full-Time at 35 hours per week with an hourly rate of \$20.81, \$1,456.70 estimated bi-weekly, \$37,874.20 estimated annually. The wages for this position are reimbursed 95% by the state. This vacancy is due to Cindy James moving into the Mental Health Program Coordinator position effective 9/11/2023. Commissioner Webster seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

**Children, Youth, and Families**

**Requested by Commissioner Laura Burke**

Supervisor-Casework Commissioner Burke moved to re-create this position within the hiring range of the S7 pay grade (\$45,004.87 to \$48,605.26). This position is Non-Union, Exempt (Salary) Full-Time at 35 hours per week. This position is reimbursed at 80% by Act 148 funds. This vacancy is due to the resignation of Jessica Rodriguez effective 09/22/2023. Commissioner Webster seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 2:44 p.m.

The next regular Salary Board Meeting will be October 4, 2023 at 10:30 a.m.  
In the Commissioners' Public Meeting Room.

Respectfully Submitted,



August C. Stickel IV  
Secretary