



BLAIR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA

Thursday, November 20, 2025, 10:00 A.M.

COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM, BASEMENT

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
4. EXECUTIVE SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT
5. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES – 11/13/2025
6. PUBLIC COMMENT
7. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS
8. CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution 526– 2025:

- a. Ratification of the following eight (8) Warrant Lists:

EFFECTIVE DATE	WARRANT NUMBER	AMOUNT
11/07/2025	251107RF	\$544.79
11/10/2025	251110FS	\$1,229.76
11/10/2025	251031PC	\$20,782.97
11/04/2025	251104WC	\$2,949.14
11/13/2025	251113HR	\$15,174.55
11/18/2025	251118SS	\$15,328.59
11/18/2025	251118UT	\$7,284.71
11/18/2025	251118WW	\$71,629.66

- b. Ratification of total Payroll for the paycheck dated 11/14/2025 in the total amount of \$946,593.89.

- c. **2025 Budget Transfer:** To cover the cost of Counseling Services expenses:

From	\$	To
0120220344270 Juvenile Detention	\$2,063.27	01202206-44250 Juvenile Probation
01202203-45040 Juvenile Detention	\$500.00	01202206-44250 Juvenile Probation
01202203-44000 Juvenile Detention	\$716.66	01202206-44250 Juvenile Probation
01202-45020 Juvenile	\$397.11	01202206-44250 Juvenile Probation
01202-44070 Juvenile	\$162.84	01202206-44250 Juvenile Probation
01202-42070 Juvenile	\$847.90	01202206-44250 Juvenile Probation
01202-42000 Juvenile	\$479.89	01202206-44250 Juvenile Probation
01202-42020 Juvenile	\$1,218.00	01202206-44250 Juvenile Probation
01101GCO-41999 General County Operations	\$28,230.35	01202206-44250 Juvenile Probation

- d. **Public Works – Facilities:** Requesting approval to utilize red and green exterior lights on the Courthouse for the month of December during the holiday season.
- e. **Bridge #33/Old Mill Run Bridge Replacement Project:** Requesting approval of ECMS submission invoice #18, Part 2, Final Design, in the total amount of \$46,410.45, received from Keller Engineers. Expenses are 95% reimbursable and will be paid from the Marcellus Shale Legacy Fund.
- f. **Bridge #73/T-349 Bridge Removal Project:** Requesting approval of ECMS submission Invoice #3, Part 1, PE Phase, in the total amount of \$10,998.34, received from Keller Engineers. Expenses are 95% reimbursable and will be paid from the Marcellus Shale Legacy Fund.
- g. **Commissioners:** Requesting approval of the reappointments of David Clary, Stephen Gerhart, and Terry Tomassetti to the Board of Assessment Appeals for terms effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027.
- h. **Conservation District:** Requesting the approval of the reappointment of R. Alan Gearhart as Farmer Director and the appointment of Ben Postles as Public Director to the Blair County Conservation District Board. Terms are effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2029. Additionally, requesting approval of the reappointment of Amy E. Webster as Commissioner Representative to the Blair County Conservation District Board for the term of January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026.

- i. **Employments:** Archey, Matthew, Clapper, Matthew, Hileman, Nathan, Kisner, Diana, Markel, William, Smith, Robert, FT, Corrections Officer, Prison, \$21.53/hr., effective 11/17/2025. Tomassetti, Terrence, Gerhart, Stephen, Clary, David, Per Unit, Board of Assessment Appeals Member, Assessment, \$150.00 per day, effective 1/1/2026.
- j. **Status Changes:** Elensky, Derek, FT, Assistant District Attorney II, District Attorney, \$2,839.96 biweekly, to, Assistant District Attorney I, District Attorney, \$2,555.96 biweekly, effective 11/11/2025.
- k. **Resignations:** Rogers, Mason, FT, Assistant Public Defender, Public Defender, \$1,986.21 biweekly, effective 11/13/2025.
- l. **Retirements:** Schmitt, Matthew, FT, Corrections Officer Sergeant, Prison, \$25.77/hr., effective 11/16/2025.

9. **STAFF REPORTS & SPECIAL BUSINESS:**

- a. **Court Administration:**
Requesting approval of services provided from interpreters on the official Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts (AOPC) list, including interpreter classifications, at the rates set forth by the AOPC Interpreter Certification Program.
- b. **Public Safety – EMA:**
Requesting approval to accept the Norfolk Southern Safety First Grant in the amount of \$15,000.00. These funds will be utilized for the Blair Emergency Management UACV Drone Program.
- c. **Juvenile Probation:**
Requesting approval of the Renewal Agreement for Monitoring and Associated Services between the County of Blair, on behalf of the Blair County Juvenile Probation Department, and Track Group for electric monitoring equipment at the rate of \$5.50 per day per device for the period of October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026.
- d. **Public Works – Highway:**
Requesting approval of six (6) Agreements of Sale, Deeds and Temporary Easements for the County Bridge #33 project for the properties listed below, and for David Kessling, Chief Elected Official, to sign said documents:

County	Municipality	Parcel No.	Claim No.	Claimant	Tax Map No.
Blair	Logan Twp.	1	070092700	City of Altoona	14.00-11...-038.00-000
Blair	Logan Twp.	2	0700928000	Marilyn Benedict	14.00-11...-054.00-000 and 14.00-11...-090.00-000
Blair	Logan Twp.	4	0700930000	John Mark McConnell and Ruby Virginia McConnell	14.00-11...-055.00-000
Blair	Logan Twp.	5	0700931000	Briah Stroh	14.00-11B2-035.00-000
Blair	Logan Twp.	6	0700932000	Mill Run Mennonite Church	14.00-11...-038.01-601
Blair	Logan Twp.	7	0700933000	John Smida, an adult individual	14.00-11B2-040.00-000

- e. **Finance:**
 - i. Requesting approval of the Exclusive Letter of Authorization between the County of Blair and T&F Exploration, LP, to manage the County's natural gas program.
 - ii. Requesting approval of the Exclusive Letter of Authorization between the County of Blair and F&P Holdings, LP, to manage the County's electric program.
 - iii. **Review of Committed Funds:**
Requesting approval to reduce General Fund Committed Funds **from** \$160,186 (\$160,186 – Post Retirement Healthcare (Valley View), \$0 – Worker's Comp Reserve (Valley View)) **to** \$0 (\$0 – Post Retirement Healthcare (Valley View), \$0 – Worker's Comp Reserve (Valley View)).
 - iv. **2026 General Funds and Reserve Account Budget Introduction and Introduction of the 2026 General Fund and the following Reserve Accounts:**
Special Grants Fund, Liquid Fuels Fund, Hotel Tax Fund, Debt Service Fund, Hazardous Emergency Response Fund, Bond Fund, Fort Roberdeau Fund, Children Youth & Families Fund, Juvenile Probation Grant Fund, Coroner Fund, CYF Agency Fund, Workers Compensation Fund, Unemployment Compensation Fund, Domestic Relation Title IV-E Fund, Recreation Fund, Capital Reserve Fund,

Technology Fund, Farmland Preservation Fund, Victim Witness ARD Fund, County Record Improvement Fund, Vehicle Registration Fund, 911 Project Fund, Juvenile Probation Office Fund, Recorder of Deeds Fund, Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Clerk of Courts Automation Fund, Prothonotary Automation Fund, Central Booking Fund, Marcellus Shale Fund, Phare Grant Fund, Employee Wellness Fund, Act 44 Bridge Fund, Demolition Fund, Juvenile Supervision Fee Fund, Community Development Fund, Drug Court Fund, DUI Specialty Court Fund, Social Services Fund, Offender Supervision Fund, and the Blair County Retirement Fund

f. **Social Services:**

- i. Requesting approval for Tricia Johnson, MH/ID Administrator, Blair County Department of Social Services, to sign and submit the calendar year 2026 Department of Human Services Annual Opt-Out Notification Form for Assisted Outpatient Treatment.
- ii. Requesting approval to authorize Commissioner David Kessler, as the Chief Elected Official, to sign the seven (7) Site Specific Checklist Tier 2 Environmental Review Records for the Blair County Existing Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program for the Units/Programs as listed below:

Program Type	Case Number	Unit Location
Whole Home Repair	#WH230719-01	3005 Spruce Avenue, Altoona
Whole Home Repair	#WH230203-01	152 Dogwood Drive, Hollidaysburg
Whole Home Repair	#WH230324-01	204 W. Whittier Avenue, Altoona
Whole Home Repair	#WH230413-01	1315 4 th Avenue, Duncansville
Whole Home Repair	#WH230213-01	810 56 th Street, Altoona
CDBG-OBO Tyrone Borough	#20-2720	617 Washington Avenue, Tyrone
CDBG-OBO Antis Township	#22-2843	520 Oak Lane, Tyrone

- iii. Requesting approval to authorize Commissioner David Kessler, as the Chief Elected Official, to sign the Environmental Review Record and Exempt Status Determination forms for the following FFY2024 CDBG projects:
 - Economic Development Micro-Enterprise Assistance under the FFY 2024 CDBG Program on behalf of Hollidaysburg Borough
 - Removal of Architectural Barriers at the Bellwood-Antis Public Library under the FFY 2024 CDBG Program on behalf of Non-Entitlements (Bellwood Borough) and Antis Township
- iv. Requesting approval of the Quote dated November 13, 2025, received from HSS Systems for a software update that provides for an additional Purchase Order Number and a Start Date to the Provider Contract Table in the total amount of \$875.00.

g. **Commissioners:**

Requesting approval to advertise an ordinance signifying the intent to take by eminent domain a fee simple interest of a parcel of land in the township of Logan.

10. **OLD BUSINESS**

None

11. **ADJOURN**

The next Board of Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Thursday, December 4, at 10:00 a.m.
in the Commissioners' Public Meeting Room.