

LAWRENCE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
PUBLIC MEETING
MINUTES OF Tuesday, September 10, 2024

The Lawrence County Commissioners' Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed by a Moment of Silence.

The Lawrence County Commissioners' Meeting of Tuesday, September 10, 2024, was called to order by **Commissioner Daniel Vogler**, at 10:03 AM at the Lawrence County Commissioners Meeting Room. Deputy Chief Clerk, Vanessa Bayless called the roll. Those in attendance were **Commissioner Chris Sainato, Commissioner Dan Kennedy, Amy DiMuccio, Mike Grippo, Amy McKinney, Carrie Hahn, Kenneth Ritter, Lisa Haddad, and no one the New Castle News**. It was stated for the record that the meeting is being taped. Those wishing to speak shall be given five minutes. If they need more time, they are to see the Deputy Chief Clerk at another time, and she will arrange for them to meet with the Commissioners. Those speaking are to state for the record their names, addresses and the nature of their business.

ROW OFFICERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

None

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kenneth Ritter stated that he has a severely autistic son who is nonverbal and is having difficulty getting transportation provided for his son to go back and forth to a day program in Mercer County. He feels that something needs to be done about the MHDS office and those who have disabilities in Lawrence County.

Carrie Hahn asked to see the documents regarding the resolution involving Ford Office Technologies. She was provided with a copy of the contractual agreement prior to the meeting. She also asked why Lawrence County wasn't getting the election ballots the 52 days before the election. Mr. Vogler stated that we are not legally allowed to print out the ballots yet until the Commonwealth had convened their court proceedings.

FISCAL/CONTRACTUAL

- A. Repository Property: None
- B. Advertise for bids/proposals: None
- C. Receipt for bids/proposals:
- D. Warrant Registers:

- 1. August 30, 2024

2. September 4, 2024
3. September 6, 2024

Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Kennedy to approve and file said warrant register(s). Motion carried 3-0.

MINUTES AND CORRESPONDENCE

A. Approval of Minutes:

1. Tuesday, August 27, 2024
2. September 3, 2024

Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Sainato to approve said minutes. Motion carried 3-0.

B. Presentation of Written Communications:

1. Application of PA-American Water Company for Approval of the Right of Offer, Render, Furnish and Supply Water Service to the Public in an Additional Portion of New Beaver Borough.

Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Kennedy to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 3-0

REPORTS

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| A. Staff Reports: | None |
| B. Commissioner Reports | DV, DK, CS |

Mr. Vogler stated that he will be visiting the Beaver/Lawrence County Farm Bureau tonight in New Galilee, PA. Also made it known that Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Sainato would be attending the 40th anniversary for Cray Family Youth Services Dinner.

Mr. Kennedy attended the Shenango Craft Show at Cascade Park on Saturday and that it was a very successful show. He also attended a concert in New Wilmington, PA seeing The Wait for their final performance.

Mr. Sainato stated that he saw The Wait last year and mentioned that it was a wonderful show. Thursday Mr. Sainato went to the Lawrence County Day Of Caring at Cascade Park and that it was nice to see so many businesses and people get involved within the community. He further mentioned that he had saw Jerry Zona there from the Lawrence County Recycling Department.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION

R-2024-265

WHEREAS, Lawrence County Courts are in need of a maintenance agreement for copier equipment services; and

WHEREAS, Ford Office Technologies, 700 Laurel Drive, Connellsville, Pennsylvania, 15425, submitted a quote to provide copier equipment services with maintenance and supplies; and

WHEREAS, term of said agreement is 60 months and the monthly payment shall be \$197.00; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, that Ford Office Technologies shall provide copier equipment services for the Court Administration Office.

Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Sainato to approve said Resolution.
Motion carried 3-0.

RESOLUTION

R-2024-266

WHEREAS, the County Children and Youth Services Agency wishes to enter into an agreement to establish the terms and conditions in which the Child Welfare Information Solution (CWIS) will disclose and exchange certain information to the Lawrence County Children and Youth Agency (CCYA) via one (1) of the six (6) approved case management systems utilized by the sixty-seven (67) CCYA's in accordance with the Child Welfare Act of 1980, the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA-Public Law 93-247) and the Child Protective Services Law (23 Pa. C.S., Chapter 63); and

WHEREAS, the attached CWIS Data Sharing Agreement is entered into by and between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (Commonwealth) and the Lawrence County Children and Youth Agency as noted by the signature lines on page 5 of the Agreement and is effective for the time period October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, that a CWIS Data Sharing Agreement be approved between the Commonwealth and the Lawrence County Children and Youth Agency to provide services to disclose and exchange certain information for the period of

October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025, with the Commissioners signing the attached signature page.

Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Kennedy to approve said Resolution.
Motion carried 3-0.

RESOLUTION R-2024-267

WHEREAS, Lawrence County, through its Children and Youth Department, desires to contract certain social services; and

WHEREAS, the County has the authority and duty to provide social services to children and youth subject to the regulations established by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (DHS) and the Juvenile Code:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Lawrence County Board of Commissioners, that:

1. The Purchase of Service Agreement under the provider Adelphoi Village, Inc. shall be in effect for the period of July 01, 2024, through June 30, 2025.
2. Costs are incurred only if the provider or service is being used by Lawrence County per the Agreement.
3. Authorization is hereby given to execute an Agreement with the following service provider:

**Adelphoi Village, Inc.
1119 Village Way
Latrobe, PA. 15650**

RESOLUTION R-2024-268

WHEREAS, Lawrence County, through its Children and Youth Department, desires to contract certain social services; and

WHEREAS, the County has the authority and duty to provide social services to children and youth subject to the regulations established by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (DHS) and the Juvenile Code:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Lawrence County Board of Commissioners, that:

4. The Purchase of Service Agreement under the provider Families United Network, Inc. shall be in effect for the period of July 01, 2024, through June 30, 2025.
5. Costs are incurred only if the provider or service is being used by Lawrence County per the Agreement.
6. Authorization is hereby given to execute an Agreement with the following service provider:

**Families United Network, Inc.
276 Ashler Manor Drive
Muncy, PA. 17756**

RESOLUTION R-2024-269

WHEREAS, Lawrence County, through its Children and Youth Department, desires to contract certain social services; and

WHEREAS, the County has the authority and duty to provide social services to children and youth subject to the regulations established by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (DHS) and the Juvenile Code:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Lawrence County Board of Commissioners, that:

1. The Purchase of Service Agreement under the provider The Summit School, Inc. (Summit Academy) shall be in effect for the period of July 01, 2024, through June 30, 2025.
2. Costs are incurred only if the provider or service is being used by Lawrence County per the Agreement.
3. Authorization is hereby given to execute an Agreement with the following service provider:

**Summit Schools, Inc. (Summit Academy)
839 Herman Road. PO Box 12
Herman, PA. 16039**

Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Sainato to approve Resolutions R-2024-267 up to and including Resolution R-2024-269.

RESOLUTION R-2024-270

A RESOLUTION OF THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM BEYOND CORP, FOR WORK TO BE COMPLETED AT MILLENIUM, BEYOND AND BEVINGTON BOAT LAUNCHES IN LAWRENCE COUNTY.

WHEREAS, the County received funding from Western Pennsylvania Conservancy to complete work at the above mentioned boat launches that are owned and maintained by the Lawrence County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Lawrence County Commissioners' Engineering Firm, Frank B. Taylor Engineering, Inc. received a proposal from contractors to complete the work at each of the boat launches; and

WHEREAS, Beyond Corp, submitted a proposal to complete the project at the above-mentioned boat launches, such quote being reviewed and recommended by Frank B. Taylor Engineering, Inc.; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, THAT:

1. The Lawrence County Board of Commissioners will enter into three separate contracts with Beyond Corp, P.O. Box138, Edinburg, PA 16116 for the following sites:
 - a. Beyond Corp Boat Launch for an amount not to exceed \$5,520.00
 - b. Millennium Boat Launch for an amount not to exceed \$5,520.00
 - c. Bevington Boat Launch for an amount not to exceed \$5,520.00
2. The project must begin within two (2) weeks of signing the contracts and a Notice to Proceed is issued.
3. All work must be completed within three (3) weeks of signing the contract and a Notice to Proceed is issued.

RESOLUTION R-2024-271

A RESOLUTION OF THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM NORTH BEAVER CONTRACTING, LLC, FOR WORK TO BE COMPLETED AT MCKINNEY/RUSSELL AND MCQUISTONM BOAT LAUNCHES IN LAWRENCE COUNTY.

WHEREAS, the County received funding from Western Pennsylvania Conservancy to complete work at the above mentioned boat launches that are owned and maintained by the Lawrence County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Lawrence County Commissioners' Engineering Firm, Frank B. Taylor Engineering, Inc. received a proposal from contractors to complete the work at each of the boat launches; and

WHEREAS, North Beaver Contracting, LLC, submitted a proposal to complete the project at the above-mentioned boat launches, such quote being reviewed and recommended by Frank B. Taylor Engineering, Inc.; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, THAT:

1. The Lawrence County Board of Commissioners will enter into two separate contracts with North Beaver Contracting, LLC, 4321 Edinburg Road, New Castle, PA 16102 for the following sites:
 - a. McKinney Russell Boat Launch for an amount not to exceed \$11,650.00
 - b. McQuiston Boat Launch for an amount not to exceed \$10,635.00
2. The project must begin within two (2) weeks of signing the contracts and a Notice to Proceed is issued.
3. All work must be completed within three (3) weeks of signing the contract and a Notice to Proceed is issued.

Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Sainato to approve Resolutions R-2024-270 and Resolution R-2024-271. Motion carried 3-0.

RESOLUTION R-2024-272

WHEREAS, Section 1784 of the County Code, *Supplemental Appropriations Transfer of Funds; Appropriation Limits*, authorizes the Board of Commissioners, by resolution, to make supplemental appropriations for any lawful purpose from any funds on hand or estimated to be received within the fiscal year and not otherwise appropriated; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Board of Commissioners to adjust the existing FY2024 Budget; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS to amend the 2024 Lawrence County Budget as follows:

INCREASING MISC EMA Revenue Fund Account: 01390000.341300 by \$1,402.24; and

INCREASING Travel & Training Expense Fund Account: 01421500.508000 by \$1,402.24; and

Reason: 2024 Homeland Security Conference Reimbursement

Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Kennedy to approve said Resolution.
Motion carried 3-0.

TRANSFERS (Administrative)

- a. Commissioners from Contingency to Maintenance & Repair for \$330.00.
- b. Domestic Relations from Contingency to Electric for \$1,230.00.
- c. Maintenance from Various Accounts to Electric for \$37,000.00.
- d. Treasurer from Contingency to Maintenance & Repairs for \$250.00.

Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Sainato to approve said transfers.
Motion carried 3-0.

RESOLUTIONS ON THE TABLE

None

RESOLUTIONS TO BE TAKEN OFF THE TABLE

None

ORDINANCES

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| A. Discussion: | None |
| B. On the Table: | None |
| C. For Introduction: | None |
| D. For Final Action: | None |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. The next Commissioners' Public meeting will be held on September 17, 2024 @ 10:00AM in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.
- B. There will be a Lawrence County Planning Commission Board meeting on Wednesday, September 11, 2024 @ 12:00PM at the New Beaver Borough Building.
- C. There will be a Lawrence County Prison Board meeting is **CANCELED** for Wednesday, September 18, 2024 @ 12:00PM in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Sainato to adjourn the Lawrence County Commissioners' meeting dated Tuesday, September 10, 2024, at 10:51am.