

**LAWRENCE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING**  
**PUBLIC MEETING**  
**MINUTES OF Tuesday, February 11, 2025**

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, February 11, 2025, was called to order by **Commissioner Daniel Vogler**, at 10:00 AM at the Lawrence County Commissioners Meeting Room. Ryan Anderson called the roll. Those in attendance were **Commissioner Dan Kennedy, Commissioner Chris Sainato, Loretta Spielvogel, Rebecca Shaffer and no one from 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**

NONE

**FISCAL/CONTRACTUAL**

- A. Repository Property:
  - 1. Resolution for discussion and possible approval of Repository Property #29-901032. (Pulaski Township)  
Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Sainato to table said resolution for further review. Motion carried 3-0
- B. Advertise for bids/proposals:                                  None
- C. Receipt for bids/proposals:                                      None
- D. Warrant Registers:
  - 1. February 4, 2025
  - 2. February 7, 2025

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. February 4, 2025Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Sainato to approve and file said minutes. Motion carried 3-0.

B. Presentation of Written Communications:

1. Ellwood Specialty Metals Expansion is looking to expand their facility located in Wilmington Township, Lawrence County.
2. Berner International LLC planned application for NPDES/Chapter 105 permit letter, Shenango Township.
3. Peoples Natural Gas intent to submit chapter 105 general permits for the South Market St gas line replacement in New Wilmington Borough.
4. ARM Group LLC notice to apply for a PAG-02 General National Pollution Elimination System authorizing the discharge of stormwater during construction in Washington Township.
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Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Kennedy to file said written correspondence.  
Motion carried 3-0.

**REPORTS**

A. Staff Reports:

None

B. Commissioner Reports

DV, DK, CS

Commissioner Vogler stated that last Wednesday he and Commissioner Sainato stopped by the New Castle Public Library for the presentation and ceremony. Mr. Vogler announced that the Planning Commission Meeting was February 12<sup>th</sup>, at noon in Neshannock.

Commissioner Sainato seconded Commissioner Vogler's statement about the New Castle Library, it was a lovely presentation.

Commissioner Kennedy said that he was looking forward to vacation next week and Mr. Vogler and Mr. Sainato stated that it was a well-deserved vacation and they hope he enjoys it.

**NEW BUSINESS RESOLUTIONS**

Resolution R-2025-26

**WHEREAS**, the County of Lawrence County owns and maintains recreational areas throughout the County; and

**WHEREAS**, the maintenance of these recreational areas include, but not limited to mowing, trimming and trash collection; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Lawrence is requesting bids from contractors to complete the above mentioned items at the County owned recreational areas; and

**WHEREAS**, the County will advertise for bids on February 17 and February 21, 2025 with bids being due on March 10, 2025.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Lawrence County Board of Commissioners that the Board of Commissioners will be advertising for bids for “County Parks and Boat Launch Maintenance”, with bids being due on March 10, 2025.

Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Kennedy. Motion carried 3-0.

## **RESOLUTION      R-2024-27**

**WHEREAS**, the Lawrence County Jail has the capability to house Direct File Interest of Justice juvenile offenders from Venango County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lawrence County Jail has the capacity and space to house Direct File Interest of Justice juvenile offenders; and

**WHEREAS**, Venango County shall pay \$500.00 per Direct File Interest of Justice juvenile offender, per day to Lawrence County to house Direct File Interest of Justice juvenile offenders; and

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

1. The Lawrence County Jail wishes to enter into the attached agreement with Venango County to house Direct File Interest of Justice juvenile offenders; and
2. Venango County shall pay \$500.00 per Direct File Interest of Justice juvenile offender, per day to Lawrence County to house Direct File Interest of Justice juvenile offenders; and

This agreement shall be from November 24, 2024, to November 24, 2025, unless sooner terminated

Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Sainato. Motion carried 3-0.

**RESOLUTION**

**R-2025-28**

**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 FY2025 Budget; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS** to amend the 2025 Lawrence County Budget as follows:

**INCREASING** DA Opioid Settlement Revenue Account: 22341000.334404 by \$109,310.00; and

**INCREASING** DA Opioid Settlement Expenses Account: 22419400.999900 by \$109,310.00

*Reason: District Attorney Opioid Settlement Funds*

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

**TRANSFERS (ADMINISTRATIVE)**

A. Voters form contingency to training/election workers for \$550.00

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

**RESOLUTIONS ON THE TABLE**

A. Resolutions on the table: None

B. Resolutions to be taken off the table: None

### **ORDINANCES**

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

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A. The next Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 11, 2025 @ 10am in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.

B. There will be a Lawrence County Planning Commission Meeting on Wednesday, February 12, 2025 @ 12:00 Noon @ The Neshannock Municipal Building.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

NONE

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Kennedy to adjourn the Lawrence County Commissioners' meeting dated Tuesday, February 4, 2025, at 10:25 am.