# LAWRENCE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES OF Tuesday, March 4, 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, March 4, 2025, was called to order by **Commissioner Daniel Vogler**, at 10:00 AM at the Lawrence County Commissioners Meeting Room. Deputy Chief Clerk, Vanessa Bayless called the roll. Those in attendance were **Commissioner Chris Sainato (via phone)**, **Commissioner Dan Kennedy**, **Dorothy Burchett**, **Robert Burchett**, **Megan Gahring and Debbie Wachter 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 AND CONTRACTUAL

A. Repository Properties: NoneB. Advertise for bids/proposals: NoneC. Receipt for bids/proposals: None

D. Warrant Registers:

1. February 24, 2025

2. February 26, 2025

3. February 27, 2025

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

# MINUTES AND CORRESPONDENCE

A. Approval of Minutes:

1. February 25, 2025

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

B. Presentation of Written Communications: None

# **REPORTS**

A. Staff Reports: None

B. Commissioner Reports CS,DV,DK

Commissioner Sainato had no comment.

Commissioner Vogler stated there is a Conservation meeting tomorrow at Ryder's Restaurant @ 1200 Noon. The Planning Commission meeting is cancelled for Wednesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>. There will not be a Commissioners' meeting on 3/18, as that is the CCAP conference that Dan Kennedy & Chris Sainato will attend. Dan Vogler has jury duty that week.

Commissioner Kennedy stated this weekend he attended the first of five Eagle Scouts from Wilmington Township that will be honored. Volant Borough also held their pancake breakfast, which was very well attended.

#### **NEW BUSINESS RESOLUTIONS**

#### **RESOLUTION R-2025-48**

Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of Lawrence County to enter into agreement with the Pennsylvania Resources Council (PRC) to provide glass recycling services.

**WHEREAS**, many residents of Lawrence County no longer have access to container glass recycling through the county-wide drop off recycling program and curbside recycling, and

**WHEREAS**, the County is tasked to develop programs that advance recycling by its Solid Waste Management Plan, and

**WHEREAS**, the County desires to offer its residents access to the recycling of container glass, and

**WHEREAS**, PRC has designed a drop-off collection program for recycling container glass, also known as the travelling glass bin, and

**WHEREAS**, the County desires to engage the services of PRC for one container glass drop off collection event for residents, and

**WHEREAS**, the contracted services with PRC for travelling glass bin collection event during 2025 shall not exceed the amount of \$1,600.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED**, that Lawrence County enters into Agreement with PRC for one drop-off container glass collection event, and that Dan Vogler, Chairman, be authorized to sign such agreement.

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

#### **RESOLUTION R-2025-49**

**WHEREAS,** Lawrence and Mercer Counties have shown interest in merging our Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs); and

**WHEREAS,** Lawrence and Mercer Counties would like to have a study performed by an outside party/consultant to determine the feasibility of such a merger; and

**WHEREAS**, the cost of operating a PSAP continues to rise, while funding for their operation remains fairly stagnant; and

**WHEREAS,** following this study, public and first responder meetings will be held to discuss the findings and try to get buy in from the various stakeholders; and

**WHEREAS,** Lawrence and Mercer Counties will apply to the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA) for funding to complete this study; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS,** that authorization is given for a feasibility study to be completed for the possible merger of Lawrence and Mercer Counties Public Safety Answering Points, with the feasibility study being paid for by the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency.

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

# TRANSFERS (ADMINISTRATIVE)

- a. Commissioners from Contingency to Materials & Supplies for \$10,000.00
- b. District Attorney from Contingency to Minor Equipment for \$2,900.00
- c. CYS from Contracted Provider Care to Medical Expenses for \$3,000.00

Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Kennedy to approve said Transfer(s). 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
В.	On the Table:	None
C.	For Introduction:	None
D.	For Final Action:	None

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. The next Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 11, 2025 @ 10am in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.
- B. The Lawrence County Planning Commission Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 12, 2025 has been *CANCELLED*.

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Dorothy Burchett asked about the 911 Feasibility Study.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Kennedy to adjourn the Lawrence County Commissioners' meeting dated Tuesday, March 4, 2025, at 10:30 am.