LAWRENCE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
PUBLIC MEETING
MINUTES OF Tuesday, October 20th, 2026

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 September 15th, 2026, was called to order by **Commissioner Dan Vogler**, at 10:00 AM at the Lawrence County Commissioners' Meeting Room. **Office Support Coordinator Ryan Anderson** called the roll. Those in attendance were **Commissioner Dan Kennedy, Commissioner Sainato County Administrator Joseph Venasco, 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 Chief Clerk at another time, and he 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 Properties:

Advertise for bids/proposals:
Opening Of Bids for Lawrence/Mercer County Recycling/Solid Waste Department for the Blue Bin and Glass Recycling Program.
1. Aiken bid:
a. $383,630
b. $383,630
2. Tri County Industries bid:
a. $352,485
b. $352,495
Receipt for bids/proposals: None
Warrant Registers:
1. October 9, 2025
2. October 14, 2026
3. October 16, 2026

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. September 29th, 2026

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

B. Presentation of Written Communications: None

VI. REPORTS

REPORTS

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

Commissioner Kennedy: Stated he and Commissioner Sainato attended the Taste of the Town at New Englander in Neshannock. It was a well-attended event, and all of the food was good.

Commissioner Sainato: Echoed what Commissioner Kennedy said about the Taste of the Town event and that there were good quality restaurants in attendance, and everything was good. Mr. Sainato mentioned that there was a new candy store in Neshannock that was there. Mr. Sainato attended the Fall Fest in Volant over the weekend along with a car show at the Towne Mall Center.

Commissioner Vogler: Stated that last week they had their quarterly meeting with the West Central Job Partnership in Mercer County. He also attended the Planning Commission Meeting at the Washington Township Municipal Building. Mr. Vogler announced that there will NOT be a public meeting on November 3rd, 2026, due to Election Day. The Courthouse will remain open. Additionally, He and Commissioner Sainato attended the Northwest Commission Meeting in McKeen County on the Bradford Campus. The next meeting will be on January 25th, 2027, in Mercery County at Grove City College.

RESOLUTION R-2026-529

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 FY2026 Budget; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS amending the 2026 Lawrence County Budget as follows:

INCREASING *Marcellus Legacy* Revenue Fund Account: 47334000.334133 by $30,617.00; and

INCREASING *Marcellus Legacy* Expense Fund Account: 47418000.999900 by $30,617.00

Reason: Legacy Revenues Exceed Budget

Moved by Commissioner Kennedy, seconded by Commissioner Sainato to approve said Resolution. Motioned Carried 3-0

RESOLUTION R-2026-260

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 FY2026 Budget; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS amending the 2026 Lawrence County Budget as follows:

INCREASING General Fund Revenue Fund Account: 01391000.391146 by $20,000.00; and

INCREASING General Fund Expense Fund Account: 01419400.110400 by $20,000.00

Reason: DEA/TFO Overtime

Moved by Commissioner Sainato, seconded by Commissioner Kennedy to approve said Resolution. Motioned Carried 3-0.

RESOLUTION R-2026

WHEREAS, budgets cannot always anticipate every extraordinary, ordinary, or contingency situation which arises throughout the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, Section 1784 of the County code permits the Commissioners by resolution to authorize budget transfers from any encumbered balance; and

WHEREAS, the need to provide additional appropriations to certain accounts now exists; and

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

1. Authorization is hereby given to the appropriate administrative officials to transfer a total of $2,000.00 described in detail on the attachment(s) designated as T-2026-09.

Moved by Commissioner Kennedy, seconded by Commissioner Sainato to approve said Resolution. Motioned Carried 3-0

TRANSFERS- (ADMINISTRATIVE)

a. Sheriff from staples to uniforms for $2,200.00.
b. Sheriff from contingency to Land/building for $300.00.
c. Sheriff from staff salary to uniforms for $10,000.00.
d. Human Resources from materials and supplies to maintenance and repairs for $650.00.
e. District Attorney from stapled to land/building for $1,000.00.
f. District Attorney from contingency to maintenance and repair for $1,200.00.

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

ORDINANCES

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. The next Public Commissioners' Meeting will be on October 27th, 2026, at 10am in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.

B. There will be Public Salary Board Meeting on October 21st, 2026, at 9am in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.

C. There will NOT be a Commissioners' Meeting on November 3, 2026, due to Election Day. The Courthouse WILL BE open.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Kennedy to adjourn the Lawrence County Commissioners' meeting dated Tuesday, October 20th, 2026 @10:23 AM. Motion carried 3-0.