

LAWRENCE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
PUBLIC MEETING
MINUTES OF Tuesday, April 27, 2021

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, April 27, 2021, was called to order by Commissioner Morgan Boyd, at 10:00 am at the Lawrence County Commissioners Meeting Room. Deputy Chief Clerk, Vanessa Bayless called the Roll. Those in attendance were, **Commissioner Loretta Spielvogel, Commissioner Dan Vogler (left early), Jeff Parish, Angie Urban, Ronda Watkins, Amy Stapleton, News, None.** 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. Advertise for Bids: None
- B. Receipt of bids/proposals: None
- C. Fiscal report: None
- D. Report on Quotes: None
- E. Warrant Register:
 - 1. April 23, 2021
 - 2. April 26, 2021

Moved by Ms. Spielvogel, seconded by Mr. Vogler to approve said warrant registers. Motion carried 3-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. The minutes of Tuesday, April 20, 2021.

Moved by Ms. Spielvogel, seconded by Mr. Vogler to accept and file the minutes. Motion carried 3-0.

WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

1. Solid Waste Management Act-Whiting RollOffs, Inc. (City of New Castle)
2. National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) and Water Quality Management Permit Application for Duane Dehass, 625 State Line Road, Bessemer, PA 16112 (North Beaver Township)
3. Act 14 Notification Application for NPDES Renewal of Wastewater Treatment Facility Permit for Ellwood City Borough. (Ellwood City Borough)
4. Lindy Paving, Inc.-Sandbank Road Spoil Site (NPDES) (Taylor Township)

Moved by Ms. Spielvogel, seconded by Mr. Vogler to file said correspondence. Motion carried 3-0.

PROCLAMATIONS AND CERTIFICATES

REPORTS

None

Staff Report

None

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Mr. Vogler stated Mr. Don Fox, former State Representative passed away. He was a true gentleman and will be missed. He served on legislation from 1956-1974. He was on the Republican Committee and the Historical Society. Dan left the meeting to attend his funeral this morning.

Ms. Spielvogel stated she is getting her 2nd vaccine this afternoon.

Mr. Boyd state he met Mr. Fox during his campaign run. He was graciously welcomed into the home of Mr. Fox and they discussed County politics. He thanked Mr. Fox for his service to the State.

Moved by Ms. Spielvogel, seconded by Mr. Boyd to vote on the agenda for Resolutions R-2021-088 through Resolutions R-2021-089. Motion carried 2-0.

NEW BUSINESS
RESOLUTION R-2021-088

WHEREAS, Lawrence County has authorized Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency ("PEMA") and NextGen Communications, Inc. ("Comtech SST") Contract number 4400023705, to provide 911 call delivery and NG911 services as detailed in the Engagement Letter dated April 12, 2021, attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

WHEREAS, the said authorization will be effective 12/7/2020 through 12/6/2026. The contract includes three (3) one (1) year renewal options that could extend the contract end date to December 6, 2030, if all optional years are executed by PEMA.

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

Authorization is given to Chairman, Morgan Boyd, to execute on behalf of the Board of Commissioners, the Engagement Letter and and/all related documents.

Moved by Ms. Spielvogel, seconded by Mr. Boyd to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 2-0.

RESOLUTION R-2021-089

WHEREAS, Lawrence County has received financial support from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania through the Act 13-Marcellus Shale Impact Fee allocation to the Highway Bridge Improvement Restricted Account in the Motor License Fund; and

WHEREAS, the funds are distributed to the County and may be allocated to local municipalities; and

WHEREAS, these funds are to be used to fund the replacement or repair of locally-owned, at-risk, deteriorated bridges in accordance with PennDOT specifications; and

WHEREAS, Lawrence County's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) shall be the official document used for the approval of the use of these funds; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has received and considered requests for the use of these Impact Fee funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, that the following projects have met the program requirements and are approved for funding of the Local Share:

<u>Municipality</u>	<u>MPMS Number</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Local Share</u>
North Beaver Township	57106	Bartholomew Rd Bridge	\$85,500.00

Moved by Ms. Spielvogel, seconded by Mr. Boyd to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 2-0.

TRANSFERS (ADMINISTRATIVE)

Central Court from Contingency to Subscriptions for \$476.00

Moved by Ms. Spielvogel, seconded by Mr. Boyd to approve said Transfers. Motion carried 2-0.

RESOLUTIONS ON THE TABLE

None

ORDINANCES

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The next regular Commissioners' meeting is scheduled for **10:00 am, on Tuesday, May 4, 2021** in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Ms. Spielvogel seconded by Mr. Vogler to adjourn the Lawrence County Commissioners meeting dated Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at 10:25 a.m. Motion carried 3-0.

RESOLUTION R-2021-

WHEREAS, Lawrence County Board of Commissioners recognizes that bicycling and walking are important transportation options and there is a growing interest in living in communities where there are save and convenient options for transportation; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lawrence plans to submit an application to the Pennsylvania Department of Health under the WalkWorks program to develop a Countywide Active Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lawrence is requesting twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) to be used for the development of the Countywide Active Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the County understands that the project must be completed by September of 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Lawrence County Board of Commissioners that the Lawrence County Department of Planning and Community has the authority to apply to the Department of Health under the WalkWorks program to develop a Countywide Active Transportation Plan.

APPROVED this ____ day of May 2021.

VOTE: Yeas ____ Nays ____

CERTIFIED this ____ day of May 2021.

Joseph Venasco, County Administrator

RESOLUTION R-2021-

WHEREAS, the County Liquid Fuels Tax Act of 1931 and the Liquid Fuels Tax Act 655 dated 1956 and, as amended, provides that the County may allocate money from this fund to political subdivisions within the County for road and bridge maintenance, construction and equipment purchases; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has determined that Liquid Fuels funds may be used for local projects and may be distributed to local municipalities; and

WHEREAS, Wayne Township was allocated \$84,843.50 on November 10, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Wayne Township was allocated the balance of \$8,961.95 of the original \$84,843.50 to use for a new project on Jockey Moore Road; and

WHEREAS, Wayne Township did not use the funds towards the Jockey Moore Road project and now wishes to use for a new project on Snake Run Road; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, to allow Wayne Township to use \$8,961.95 Liquid Fuel Fund dollars toward a new project on Snake Run Road.

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| 1. Wayne Township | \$8,961.95 |
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APPROVED this 4th day of May 2021

VOTE: Yeas____ Nays____

CERTIFIED this 4th day of May 2021

Joseph Venasco, County Administrator

RESOLUTION R-2021-

WHEREAS, the last day that taxes can be paid at discount value for Lawrence County property holders is set at May 3, 2021; and

WHEREAS, loss of power at the Lawrence County Government Center forced a temporary shutdown of government operations, including tax collection; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners does not desire to penalize tax payers for events outside the control of County government and/or the tax payers; and

WHEREAS, the Lawrence County Commissioners have the power to adjust the amount of the face rate; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Lawrence County Commissioners that the property tax penalty face period rate shall be set at 2% discount until 4:00 pm on May 5, 2021. After 4:00 pm on May 5, 2021, the face period rate shall be set at 0% until the beginning of the penalty period.

APPROVED this 4th day of May 2021

____ YEAS ____ NAYS

Certified this 4th day of May 2021

Joe Venasco, County Administrator