

LAWRENCE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
PUBLIC MEETING
MINUTES OF Tuesday, May 31, 2022

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, May 31, 2022, was called to order by **Commissioner Morgan Boyd**, at 10:00 am at the Lawrence County Commissioners Meeting Room. Administrative Assistant, Kristine Venasco, called the roll. Those in attendance were, **Commissioner Daniel Vogler, Commissioner Loretta Spielvogel, Paul Gecina, B&M Electric, Emily Sanchez-Parodi, DA, None Ellwood City Ledger, None NCN**. 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

Change Carrie Hahn's comment in the minutes from May 24, 2022 to say election policy.

FISCAL/CONTRACTUAL

- A. Repository Properties: None
- B. Receipt of Bids/Proposals:
1. 2022 Lawrence County Courthouse Courtyard Lighting Project
There were two (2) bids submitted:
1. Bruce & Merrillee's-\$84,914.60
2. Blackhawk Neff-\$83,681.00

Moved by Ms. Spielvogel, seconded by Mr. Vogler to table said bids for further review. Motion carried 3-0.

- C. Warrant Registers:
1. May 23, 2022
2. May 24, 2022

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Tuesday, May 24, 2022

Moved by Mr. Boyd, seconded by Mr. Vogler to approve May 24, 2022 minutes. Motion carried 2-0-1. Ms. Spielvogel abstained.

WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

None

REPORTS

Staff Reports

None

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Mr. Boyd commented his Economic Summit went well. About 30 people attended with smaller municipalities represented.

Mr. Vogler commented the June Planning Commission meeting has been cancelled.

Ms. Spielvogel commented it is nice to see so many Memorial Day Programs and Ceremonies throughout Lawrence County.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION R-2022-105

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners desires to preserve continuity in the Office of County Solicitor; and

WHEREAS, Attorney Emily Sanchez-Parodi holds the legal knowledge and expertise to efficiently conduct the duties of Assistant Solicitor; and

WHEREAS, Attorney Emily Sanchez-Parodi has experience in all legal aspects of Lawrence County, including knowledge of past litigation and current legal issues before Lawrence County; and

WHEREAS, duties shall include providing consulting services and legal representation as requested by the County, including, without limitation, those services related to Right To Know Requests and aiding the County Solicitor in court appearances. Consultant shall report regularly to the County Solicitor with updates regarding pending issues and shall be supervised directly by the County Solicitor; and

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

1. Authorization is hereby given to execute a one (1) year consulting agreement with Attorney Emily Sanchez-Parodi for legal services; and
2. The total cost is \$12,000.00 made payable in 12 monthly installments.

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

RESOLUTION R-2022-106

WHEREAS, Chad Strobel was hired as the Interim Director of EMA on February 4, 2022; and

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

1. Appointing Chad Strobel as the Director of EMA/Department of Public Safety effective May 30, 2022; and
2. The salary rate shall be determined by Salary Board.

Change the date start to May 30, 2022 for payroll purposes.

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

RESOLUTION R-2022-107

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 the intent of the Board of Commissioners to adjust the existing FY2022 Budget; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS to amend the 2022 Lawrence County Budget as follows:

INCREASING the Capital Expenditures Courts Major Equipment Account: 80418400.201300 by \$36,925.00 and;

DECREASING the Capital Expenditures IT Other Improvements Account: 80416000.703000 by \$36,925.00

RE: Courtroom A/V Upgrades

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

RESOLUTION R-2022-108

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 the intent of the Board of Commissioners to adjust the existing FY2022 Budget; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS to amend the 2022 Lawrence County Budget as follows:

DECREASING the Capital Expenditures Contingency Account: 80411100.509000 by \$51,055.00 and;

INCREASING the Capital Expenditures Maintenance Other Improvements Account: 80417000.703000 by \$51,055.00 and;

DECREASING the Capital Expenditures Contingency Account: 80411100.509000 by \$6,700.00 and;

INCREASING the Capital Expenditures DJ Nicholson Other Improvements Account: 80418652.703000 by \$6,700.00

RE: Retaining Wall & Lighting Upgrades

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

RESOLUTION R-2022-109

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 \$115,278.00 described in detail on the attachment(s) designated as T-2022-009.

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

TRANSFERS (ADMINISTRATIVE)

1. Controller from Contingency to Travel & Training for \$1,750.00.

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

RESOLUTIONS ON THE TABLE

None

ORDINANCES

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- . A. The next Commissioners' Meeting will be on **Tuesday, June 7** at 10:00 am in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Boyd adjourned the meeting at 10:25 a.m.