

# BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

2/7/2024 - 10:30 AM

## I. WELCOME

The Regular Meeting of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners was held today at 10:30 am, in the Bucks County Commissioners' Meeting Room, 55 E. Court Street, Doylestown, Pennsylvania. In attendance were Commissioner Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia, Chair; Commissioner Robert J. Harvie, Vice Chair; and Commissioner Gene DiGirolamo, Secretary. Commissioner Marseglia welcomed everyone to the meeting and Project and Diversity Officer Bernard Griggs led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Marseglia welcomed the row officers who were present and invited them to introduce themselves. They were Jennifer Shorn, District Attorney; Eileen Hartnett Albillar, Clerk of Courts; Kristian Ballerini, Treasurer; Patricia Campi, Coroner; and Linda Bobrin, Register of Wills.

## II. PRESENTATIONS

### A. Gallbladder and Bile Duct Cancer Awareness Month

The Commissioners proclaimed February 2024 as "Gallbladder and Bile Duct Cancer Awareness Month." They offered condolences and support to the family and friends of Colin Hiriak and thanked them for continuing to raise awareness for cholangiocarcinoma. Mr. Tom Hiriak presented information about the Colin Hiriak Foundation.

### B. African American Museum of Bucks County

On the occasion of Black History Month, Mr. Griggs provided an update on the African American Museum construction project. He also spoke about the historical significance of Boone Farm and the history of African Americans in Bucks County. Mr. Bill Reed, Vice President of the African American Museum, thanked everyone involved and shared additional information about the museum. Mr. Reed also spoke about their capital campaign and invited everyone to an event this Friday at Parx Casino.

## III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Andy Warren from Middletown Township had several questions and comments on various items.

Commissioners Marseglia and Harvie both responded to Mr. Warren.

## IV. CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion of Commissioner Harvie, seconded by Commissioner DiGirolamo, with the vote being 3-0, the following items on the consent agenda were approved:

### A. Approve minutes from the January 17, 2024 meeting.

## B. Resolutions

### 1. Area Agency on Aging

- a.     With:             BTC Foods, Inc.  
                             Philadelphia, PA  
           Amount:       \$1,163,000\*\* (County 12%)  
           Purpose:      Approve contract increase and extension to provide  
                             congregate meals to seniors.  
                             4/1/24 – 3/31/25
  
- b.     With:             Bucks County Opportunity Council, Inc.  
                             Doylestown, PA  
           Amount:       \$15,000\*\* (County 0%)  
           Purpose:      Approve contract increase to provide assistance to  
                             seniors in securing and maintaining affordable safe  
                             housing.  
                             10/1/22 – 9/30/24
  
- c.     With:             Dacha Corporation  
                             Philadelphia, PA  
           Purpose:      Approve contract amendment to Appendix F.
  
- d.     With:             Northeast Adult Day Care, Inc.  
                             Philadelphia, PA  
           Purpose:      Approve contract amendment to Appendix F.
  
- e.     With:             Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture  
                             Harrisburg, PA  
           Purpose:      Approve amendment of Local Agency Agreement  
                             for Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program.  
                             5/1/20 – 12/31/24
  
- f.     With:             Shanti Gardens LLC  
                             d/b/a Shanti Gardens Adult Day Care  
                             Levittown, PA  
           Purpose:      Approve contract amendment to Appendix F.

### 2. BH/DP

- a.     With:             AHEDD, Inc.  
                            Camp Hill, PA  
Amount:             \$43,707\*\* (County 3.9%)  
Purpose:             Approve contract to provide supported employment  
                            and transportation services.  
                            7/1/23 – 6/30/24
  
- b.     With:             Bucks County Drug & Alcohol Commission, Inc.  
                            Doylestown, PA  
Amount:             \$179,000\*\* (County 3.9%)  
Purpose:             Approve contract to provide student assistance program  
                            services to Bucks County Schools.  
                            7/1/23 – 6/30/24
  
- c.     With:             Eli Kpeglo  
                            Bear, DE  
Amount:             \$5,000\*\* (County 3.9%)  
Purpose:             Approve contract to provide independent certified  
                            investigator services.  
                            7/1/23 – 6/30/24
  
- d.     With:             Goldstar Rehabilitation, Inc.  
                            Narberth, PA  
Amount:             \$15,147\*\* (County 10%)  
Purpose:             Approve contract to provide early intervention services.  
                            7/1/23 – 6/30/24
  
- e.     With:             Horizon House, Inc.  
                            Philadelphia, PA  
Amount:             \$875,839\*\* (County 3.9%)  
Purpose:             Approve contract to provide supported living services.  
                            7/1/23 – 6/30/24
  
- f.     With:             Merakey Bucks County  
                            Erdenheim, PA  
Amount:             \$1,535,011\*\* (County 7%)  
Purpose:             Approve contract to provide mental health and early  
                            intervention services.  
                            7/1/23 – 6/30/24

- g.     With:                 Salisbury Behavioral Health, LLC  
                                  Lancaster, PA  
       Amount:             \$145,009\*\* (County 3.9%)  
       Purpose:            Approve contract increase to provide supported living  
                                  and residential services.  
                                  7/1/22 – 6/30/23

### 3.     Children & Youth

- a.     With:                 The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia  
                                  Philadelphia, PA  
       Purpose:            Approve Data Transfer Agreement to share information  
                                  for a study to improve the well-being, permanency, and  
                                  safety outcomes for young children at risk or in out-of-  
                                  home care.

### 4.     Corrections

- a.     With:                 Amy Na  
                                  Jamison, PA  
       Purpose:            Approve contract extension to provide chaplain services.  
                                  1/1/24 – 12/31/24
  
- b.     With:                 Bucks County Drug & Alcohol Commission, Inc.  
                                  Doylestown, PA  
       Amount:             \$285,000\*\* (County 100%)  
       Purpose:            Approve contract to continue HEART program.  
                                  1/1/24 – 12/31/24

### 5.     District Courts

- a.     With:                 28 North State Street c/o Danella Realty & Mgmt. Co.  
                                  Blue Bell, PA  
       Amount:             \$23,687.16 (County 100%)  
       Purpose:            Approve condo fees for District Court 07-2-07 location in  
                                  Newtown.  
                                  1/1/24 – 12/31/24
  
- b.     With:                 Neshaminy Professional Center Condominium/NPC  
                                  Condo  
                                  Holland, PA

Amount: \$26,740 (County 100%)  
Purpose: Approve condo fees for District Court 07-1-12 location in Bensalem.  
1/1/24 – 12/31/24

6. Emergency Management

a. With: U.S. Department of the Interior U.S. Geological Survey  
New Cumberland, PA  
Amount: \$71,920\*\* (County 70%)  
Purpose: Approve contract to provide operation and maintenance of six gauging stations in the Neshaminy Creek Basin.  
10/1/23 – 9/30/24

7. Finance

a. With: Aon Risk Services Central, Inc.  
Philadelphia, PA  
Amount: \$2,178,054.27\* (County 100%)  
Purpose: Approve contract for the following insurance policies:  
  
Auto Liability  
Crime/Fidelity  
Cyber Liability  
Employment Practices  
Excess Liability  
Excess Workers Compensation  
General Liability  
Law Enforcement Liability  
Property  
Public Health Professional Liability  
Public Officials Liability  
2/1/24 – 2/1/25

8. General Services

a. With: Aqua Pennsylvania, Inc.  
Malvern, PA  
Purpose: Approve easement on county owned property located at 1507 Colonial Avenue in Bristol.

b. With: Bergey's Chevrolet Inc.  
Colmar, PA

Amount: \$297,503.40 (County 100%)  
Purpose: Approve purchase of six 2024 Chevrolet Silverado work trucks.

- c. With: PennDot Engineering District 6-0  
Harrisburg, PA  
Amount: \$250,000 (Revenue)  
Purpose: Approve contract increase for Bridge Reimbursement Grant Agreement #R15060006, for the rehabilitation of Bucks County Bridge #333 on Strocks Grove Road over Beaver Creek in Nockamixon Township.
- d. With: United States Roofing Corporation  
Norristown, PA  
Amount: (\$7,500)  
Purpose: Approve decrease of contract to replace the roof on District Court 07-1-10 in Fallsington.
- e. With: Warwick Township Historical Society  
Hartsville, PA  
Purpose: Approve lease of the parking lot that is adjacent to the historic Eight Arch Stone Bridge.  
2/1/24 – 1/31/25

9. Housing & Community Development

- a. With: Bucks County Housing Group  
Warminster, PA  
Purpose: Approve contract extension for 2022 Pennsylvania Housing Affordability and Rehabilitation Enhancement (PHARE) funding for Rapid Re-Housing services.  
1/1/24 – 8/31/24
- b. With: Bucks County Opportunity Council, Inc.  
Doylestown, PA  
Amount: (\$9,932.72)  
Purpose: Approve contract decrease for 2020 Pennsylvania Housing Affordability and Rehabilitation Enhancement (PHARE) funding for landlord incentives.  
8/26/22 – 6/30/24

- c.     With:               Bucks County Opportunity Council, Inc.  
                                  Doylestown, PA  
Amount:               \$9,932.72\*\* (County 0%)  
Purpose:               Approve contract increase for 2020 Pennsylvania  
                                  Housing Affordability and Rehabilitation Enhancement  
                                  (PHARE) funding for housing services.  
                                  8/26/22 – 6/30/24
- d.     With:               Cerida Investment Corp.d/b/a AnswerNet  
                                  Willow Grove, PA  
Purpose:               Approve contract extension to provide administrative and  
                                  housing stability services for the Bucks Emergency  
                                  Rental Assistance (BERA) program.  
                                  2/14/24 – 2/29/24
- e.     With:               Family Service Association of Bucks County  
                                  Langhorne, PA  
Purpose:               Approve contract extension to provide housing stability  
                                  and administrative services through the Bucks  
                                  Emergency Rental Assistance (BERA) program.  
                                  12/7/23 – 3/31/24
- f.     With:               Family Service Association of Bucks County  
                                  Langhorne, PA  
Amount:               \$487,314.66\*\* (County 0%)  
Purpose:               Approve contract to provide funding for street medicine  
                                  and hoteling to assist individuals experiencing  
                                  homelessness and to achieve permanent housing.  
                                  1/1/24 – 12/30/24
- g.     With:               Family Service Association of Bucks County  
                                  Langhorne, PA  
Amount:               \$17,837 (County 0%)  
Purpose:               Approve contract to provide rapid housing assistance.  
                                  11/1/23 – 4/30/24
- h.     With:               Habitat for Humanity of Bucks County  
                                  Warminster, PA  
Purpose:               Approve contract extension to complete owner-occupied  
                                  rehabilitation projects.  
                                  1/1/24 – 1/7/24

10. Information Technology

- a.     With:               CDW Government LLC  
                              Vernon Hills, IL  
          Amount:         \$197,925\* (County 100%)  
          Purpose:        Approve contract to purchase cybersecurity software.  
                              2/18/24 – 2/17/27
  
- b.     With:               Dell Marketing USA L.P.  
                              Round Rock, TX  
          Amount:         \$2,733,953.16\* (County 100%)  
          Purpose:        Approve contract to provide Microsoft Enterprise  
                              Agreement.  
                              1/1/24 – 12/31/26

11. Law Department

- a.     With:               Alan L. Frank Law Associates, PC  
                              Jenkintown, PA  
          Amount:         \$125,000 (County 100%)  
          Purpose:        Approve payment (to be reimbursed by insurer) in the  
                              matter of Mariangela Stibi v Bucks County Department of  
                              Corrections and County of Bucks for settlement of litigation  
                              and general release of claims.

12. Parks & Recreation

- a.     With:                 
          Purpose:        Approve revision of Bucks County Parks and Recreation  
                              Board bylaws.
  
- b.     With:               Eclectic Architecture LLC  
                              Phillipsburg, NJ  
          Amount:         \$4,200 (County 100%)  
          Purpose:        Approve contract to provide architectural services for the  
                              Stover Barn in Tinicum Park.  
                              2/7/24 – 3/1/24

13. Planning Commission



- a.     With:               MXI Environmental Services, LLC  
                              Abingdon, VA  
Amount:               \$400,000\* (County 25%)  
Purpose:               Approve contract increase and extension to provide  
                              household hazardous waste services.  
                              1/1/24 – 12/31/24
- b.     With:               New Britain Township  
                              Chalfont, PA  
Amount:               \$17,020 (Revenue)  
Purpose:               Approve contract to provide planning services.  
                              2/21/24 – 2/21/26
- c.     With:               Newtown Area Joint Zoning Council  
                              Wrightstown, PA  
Amount:               (Revenue)  
Purpose:               Approve contract to provide planning services.  
                              1 year from date of execution

14.   Purchasing

- a.     With:               Bob Barker Company, Inc.  
                              Fuquay Varina, NC  
Amount:               \$57,867.50\* (County 99.6%)  
Purpose:               Approve contract increase and extension to purchase  
                              janitorial supplies.  
                              3/1/24 – 2/28/25
- b.     With:               M&M Lawn Care East, Inc.  
                              Churchville, PA  
Amount:               \$27,275\* (County 100%)  
Purpose:               Approve contract increase to provide snow removal  
                              services at District Court 07-1-02.  
                              11/1/23 – 5/1/25
- c.     With:               Quill, LLC  
                              Lincolnshire, IL  
Amount:               \$35,677.64\* (County 99.3%)  
Purpose:               Approve contract increase and extension to purchase  
                              janitorial supplies.  
                              3/1/24 – 2/28/25

- d.     With:           Venus Supplies Company  
                          Collegeville, PA  
       Amount:       \$14,958.38\* (County 97%)  
       Purpose:       Approve contract increase and extension to purchase  
                          janitorial supplies.  
                          3/1/24 – 2/28/25

15.    Security

- a.     With:           Johnson Controls Security Solutions  
                          Milwaukee, WI  
       Amount:       \$6,600\*\* (County 100%)  
       Purpose:       Approve contract increase to provide security system  
                          maintenance at additional location.  
                          11/1/23 – 11/1/28

16.    Workforce & Economic Development

- a.     With:           Educational Data Systems, Inc.  
                          Dearborn, MI  
       Purpose:       Approve amendment of American Rescue Plan Act  
                          (ARPA) contract to provide training and supportive  
                          services.  
                          3/3/22 – 12/31/24
- b.     With:           Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry,  
                          Bureau of Workforce Development Administration  
                          Harrisburg, PA  
       Amount:       \$852,204.49 (Revenue)  
       Purpose:       Approve Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act  
                          (WIOA) grant funding to provide One-Stop Operator  
                          employment and training programs.  
                          10/1/23 – 6/30/24

\*Unit Cost/Estimated for operational purposes only \*\* Unit Cost/Not to Exceed

V.     REGULAR AGENDA

A.     Resolutions

Items 17a, 18a, and 19a & b – Chief Operating Officer Margie McKevitt explained that

this first item is the formal approval of the Declaration of Disaster Emergency regarding the January 21<sup>st</sup> ransomware attack on the Emergency Communications' Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD) System. The other items are related to the need to engage expert assistance to respond to the incident and restore the CAD System. Commissioner Harvie expressed thanks to those involved in managing the response including, but not limited to, Director of Emergency Services Audrey Kenny, Chief Information Officer John Regula, Solicitor Amy Fitzpatrick, and Ms. McKeivitt. Commissioner DiGirolamo also thanked everyone involved and noted that the county did not negotiate or pay any money to resolve this. Commissioner Marseglia led a round of applause in appreciation of the efforts of all staff involved.

Upon motion of Commissioner Harvie, seconded by Commissioner DiGirolamo, with the vote being 3-0, these Resolutions were approved.

17. Commissioners

- a. With:  
Purpose: Approve resolution of Declaration of Disaster Emergency related to January 21, 2024 cybersecurity incident targeting the computer-aided dispatch system used with 911.

18. Information Technology

- a. With: CRA International, Inc.  
Boston, MA  
Amount: \$375,000\*\* (County 100%)  
Purpose: Approve contract to provide cybersecurity, forensic, remediation, and eDiscovery services to be reimbursed by insurance.  
1/22/24 – 1/22/27

19. Law Department

- a. With:  
Amount: \$1,000/hour\*\* + expenses  
Purpose: Approve maximum hourly rates for outside counsel for cybersecurity, privacy, and breach matters.  
1/21/24 – Open
- b. With: DLA Piper LLP (US)  
Philadelphia, PA  
Purpose: Approve law firm to provide legal services for the County within applicable maximum rates.

B. Personnel Actions

Upon motion of Commissioner Harvie, seconded by Commissioner DiGirolamo, with the vote being 3-0, the Personnel Actions on the Commissioners' List were approved.

C. Board Appointments

Upon motion of Commissioner Harvie, seconded by Commissioner DiGirolamo, with the vote being 3-0, the following appointments were approved:

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|-----|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 20. | Children & Youth Advisory Board (3-year term)                     |                 |                  |
|     | Khalid Ayyubov                                                    | new appointment | term ends 3/1/27 |
| 21. | Mental Health/Developmental Programs Advisory Board (3-year term) |                 |                  |
|     | Eric Bruno                                                        | new appointment | term ends 2/1/27 |
| 22. | Workforce Development Board (3-year term)                         |                 |                  |
|     | Phil D'Amico                                                      | new appointment | term ends 2/1/27 |

Upon motion of Commissioner Marseglia, seconded by Commissioner DiGirolamo, with the vote being 2-0-1, the following appointment was approved:

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|-----|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 23. | Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority (5-year term) |                 |                  |
|     | Robert J. Harvie, Jr.                                            | new appointment | term ends 2/9/29 |

D. Other Civics

Upon motion of Commissioner DiGirolamo, seconded by Commissioner Harvie, with the vote being 3-0, the following Other Civics contributions were approved:

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|-----|------------------------------|---------|
| 24. | Bucks County Audubon Society | \$5,000 |
|     | Colin Hiriak Foundation      | \$1,500 |
|     | Families Behind the Badge    | \$2,000 |

VI. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER REPORT

Ms. McKevitt echoed gratitude to the staff and to the Commissioners for their support during the cyber-attack.

VII. SOLICITOR REPORT

Solicitor Amy Fitzpatrick voiced her admiration and appreciation for Ms. Kenney, Mr. Regula, and their respective staffs, as well as for the detectives from the District Attorney's Office.

Ms. Fitzpatrick reported on the standing Executive Session held the day before the public meeting to discuss personnel matters and litigation, both pending and prospective.

#### VIII. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Harvie thanked Ms. Kenney for her leadership during the cyber-security incident and thanked Mr. Regula and the IT staff.

Mr. Harvie spoke about Black History Month and the reasons why it is necessary.

#### IX. ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Commissioner DiGirolamo, seconded by Commissioner Harvie, with the vote being 3-0, the meeting was adjourned.

The next public meeting of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, February 21, 2024, at 10:30 a.m. in the Bucks County Commissioners' Meeting Room.

Approved: February 21, 2024  
BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
(Official copy on file with chief clerk)

BY:

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Gene DiGirolamo  
Commissioner, Secretary

ATTEST:

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Gail Humphrey, *Chief Clerk*