

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

10/1/2025 - 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 Robert J. Harvie, Chair, and Commissioner Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia, Vice Chair. Commissioner Gene DiGirolamo, Secretary, was not in attendance due to a family matter. Commissioner Harvie welcomed everyone to the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. PRESENTATIONS

A. Fire Prevention Week

The Commissioners proclaimed October 5-11th as "Fire Prevention Week" throughout the County of Bucks. In so doing, they commend the Bucks County Fire Marshals Office, firefighters, and first responders who help keep the community safe. They encourage all citizens to check their kitchens for fire hazards and use safe cooking practices year-round. Bucks County Interim Fire Marshal Ryan Brooks accepted the proclamation and presented information about fire safety and the risks of lithium-ion batteries.

B. Domestic Violence Awareness Month

The Commissioners proclaimed October as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month" throughout the County of Bucks. Prothonotary Coleen Christian presented information on the significant increase in the number of Protection from Abuse (PFA) orders and she shared some of the initiatives the Prothonotary's Office is using to combat domestic violence. This included a team of therapy dogs and their handlers, who volunteer weekly at PFA court to offer comfort to those in need.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Commissioner Harvie noted corrections to the vendor for item 9c on the agenda, as well as to #17 on the Commissioners Personnel List.

The following people spoke during Public Comment:

- Mariann Davies from Doylestown Township
- Linda Mannherz from Wrightstown
- Kim Bedillion from Perkasio Borough
- Anne Ferguson from Doylestown Township
- Edward Mackouse from Buckingham
- Will Rockenbach from Northampton Township
- Nancy Sherlock from Morrisville

- Chris Poli from Buckingham
- Mary Vigna from Warwick Township
- Steve Nolan from Newtown
- Beth Curcio from Warminster
- Fran Grouas from Middletown
- Rochelle Porto from Bensalem
- Andy Warren from Middletown Township
- Susan Vorwerk from Warwick Township
- Dean Toothman from Bensalem

Commissioner Harvie responded with clarification on many of the questions and comments. Solicitor Amy Fitzpatrick and Commissioner Marseglia also contributed responses to other questions raised.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Harvie noted the agenda items with federal funding.

Upon motion of Commissioner Marseglia, seconded by Commissioner DiGirolamo, with the vote being 2-0, the following items on the consent agenda were approved:

- A. Approve minutes from the September 17, 2025 regular meeting.
- B. Resolutions
 1. Area Agency on Aging
 - a. With: Pennsylvania Department of Aging, Harrisburg, PA
 Amount: \$3,866,842 (Revenue)
 Purpose: Approve Older Adult Services Grant Agreement to provide state and federal funding for services.
 10/1/25 – 6/30/26
 2. BH/DP
 - a. With: Associated Production Services, Inc., Doylestown, PA
 Amount: \$91,733** (County 3.9%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide vocational rehabilitation and community support services.
 7/1/25 – 6/30/26
 - b. With: Be Well Transitional Living, LLC, Bristol, PA
 Amount: \$596,480** (County 3.9%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to operate Transition House.

7/1/25 – 6/30/26

- c. With: CO-MANS, Inc., Penndel, PA
Amount: \$1,188,834** (County 3.9%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide residential programs for
 individuals with a mental health diagnosis.
 7/1/25 – 6/30/26
- d. With: Eagleville Hospital, Eagleville, PA
Amount: \$608,960** (County 3.9%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide psychiatric inpatient and
 residential treatment services.
 7/1/25 – 6/30/26
- e. With: Employment Technology, Inc., Penndel, PA
Amount: \$281,397** (County 3.9%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide supported employment
 services.
 7/1/25 – 6/30/26
- f. With: LifePath, Inc., Bethlehem, PA
Amount: \$376,482** (County 8.1%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide intellectual disability and early
 intervention services.
 7/1/25 – 6/30/26
- g. With: Lower Bucks Hospital, Bristol, PA
Amount: \$180,000** (County 3.9%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide hospital inpatient services.
 7/1/25 – 6/30/26
- h. With: Mental Health Partnerships, Philadelphia, PA
Amount: \$85,000** (County 3.9%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide peer support services.
 7/1/25 – 6/30/26
- i. With: Sunny Days Early Childhood Developmental Services, Inc.
 Media, PA
Amount: \$1,302,500** (County 10%)

Purpose: Approve contract to provide early intervention services for children.
7/1/25 – 6/30/26

j. With: The Salvation Army, Philadelphia, PA
Amount: \$225,008** (County 3.9%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide intellectual disability residential services.
7/1/25 – 6/30/26

k. With: Voice & Vision, Inc., Warrington, PA
Amount: \$457,760** (County 2.1%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide community and peer support services.
7/1/25 – 6/30/26

3. Board of Elections

a. With: Gatehouse Media Pennsylvania Holdings Inc. d/b/a The Courier Times, Green Bay, WI
Purpose: Approve extension of contract to provide election advertising.
12/1/25 – 11/30/26

b. With: Gatehouse Media Pennsylvania Holdings Inc. d/b/a The Intelligencer, Green Bay, WI
Purpose: Approve extension of contract to provide election advertising.
12/1/25 – 11/30/26

4. Children & Youth

a. With: K/S Consultants, Inc., Warrington, PA
Amount: \$140,000** (County 5%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide the Triple P Positive Parenting Program.
7/1/25 – 6/30/27

b. With: K/S Consultants, Inc., Warrington, PA
Amount: \$690,000** (County 10%)

Purpose: Approve contract to provide intensive and step-down truancy prevention/diversion programs.
7/1/25 – 6/30/27

c. With: K/S Consultants, Inc., Warrington, PA
Amount: \$629,400** (County 20%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide Transition to Foster Care Program.
7/1/25 – 6/30/27

d. With: K/S MST, Inc., Warrington, PA
Amount: \$80,000** (County 5%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide multisystemic therapy services to youth and families.
7/1/25 – 6/30/27

5. District Attorney

a. With: National Medical Services, Inc. d/b/a NMS Labs
Horsham, PA
Amount: \$313,212** (County 100%)
Purpose: Approve increase and extension of contract to operate the Bucks County Forensic Crime Lab in Warminster.
9/1/25 – 12/31/25

6. Emergency Communications

a. With: PowerDMS, Inc., El Segundo, CA
Amount: \$17,219.48** (County 100%)
Purpose: Approve contract for digital management software licenses.
8/26/25 – 8/25/26

7. General Services

a. With: 2432 Bristol LLC, Bensalem, PA
Amount: \$107,781* + utilities (County 34%)
Purpose: Approve lease for Domestic Relation's Bristol office and authorization for County Director of Operations or County Asset Manager to execute all related documents.
11/1/25 – 10/31/28

- b. With: Eastern Highway Specialists, Inc. Wilmington, DE
 Amount: (\$10,363.55)
 Purpose: Approve decrease of contract for the rehabilitation of Bridge #365 on Beaver Run Road over Beaver Creek in Tinicum Township.
 6/11/25 – 6/24/25

- c. With: Jones Engineering Associates, Bristol, PA
 Purpose: Approve extension of contract to provide engineering services.
 3/4/25 – 3/2/26

- d. With: ProAction Restoration, Holmes, PA
 Amount: \$43,000** (County 100%)
 Purpose: Approve contract for remediation and abatement services at Peace Valley Nature Center and the Lower Bucks Government Services Center.
 1/1/25 – 12/31/25

- e. With: Rycon Construction Inc., Philadelphia, PA
 Amount: \$47,317.92** (County 100%)
 Purpose: Approve increase of general construction contract for Lower Bucks Government Services Center. (change order #13)
 9/24/26 – 11/8/26

8. Housing & Community Development

- a. With: Advocates for Homeless and Those in Need, Inc.
 Fairless Hills, PA
 Amount: \$29,000** (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide emergency shelter services during Code Blue events.
 9/1/25 – 3/31/26

- b. With: Advocates for the Homeless of Upper Bucks
 Quakertown, PA
 Amount: \$37,661.50** (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide emergency shelter services during Code Blue events.
 9/1/25 – 4/30/26

- c. With: Bucks County Opportunity Council, Inc., Doylestown, PA
 Amount: \$115,500** (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide 2024 Emergency Solutions
 Grant (ESG) funding for Rapid Rehousing and Housing
 Locator services.
 1/8/25 – 7/31/26

9. Human Resources

- a. With: Ashar Sohail, Warminster, PA
 Amount: \$60,000 (County 100%)
 Purpose: Approve settlement of workers' compensation claim.

- b. With: David F. Stern, Esq. Stern & Cohen, Philadelphia, PA
 Amount: \$20,869.55 (County 100%)
 Purpose: Approve settlement of workers' compensation claim for
 Ashar Sohail.

- c. With: American Federation of State, County, and Municipal
 Employees (AFSCME), Unit 81, Plymouth Meeting, PA
 Purpose: Approve new Personnel Policy covering approximately 20
 employees in Sergeant/Case Manager Supervisor positions
 with the Department of Corrections.
 1/1/25 – 12/31/29

10. Neshaminy Manor

- a. With: American Health Care Services, Inc., Bensalem, PA
 Amount: \$1,224.51* (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide personal care supplies for
 residents.
 10/25/25 – 10/25/26

- b. With: Charm-Tex, Inc., Brooklyn, NY
 Amount: \$691.20* (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide personal care supplies for
 residents.
 10/25/25 – 10/25/26

- c. With: Manheim Medical Supply, Inc., Manheim, PA
 Amount: \$23,950** (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to purchase medical supplies.
 1/1/25 – 12/31/25

- d. With: Manheim Medical Supply, Inc., Manheim, PA
 Purpose: Approve extension of contract to provide fall detection and
 notification equipment.
 12/1/25 – 11/30/26

- e. With: Manheim Medical Supply, Inc., Manheim, PA
 Amount: \$37,229.29* (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide personal care supplies for
 residents.
 10/25/25 – 10/25/26

- f. With: McCoy Medical Equipment LLC, Collingdale, PA
 Amount: \$1,258.48* (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide personal care supplies for
 residents.
 10/25/25 – 10/25/26

- g. With: Penlight Health Corporation for the benefit of American
 Funding Solutions, Bryn Mawr, PA
 Purpose: Approve contract amendment to assign vendor's right to
 payment to American Funding Solutions.
 3/15/25 – 3/14/26

- h. With: Polaris Pharmacy Services of Warrington, LLC d/b/a Polaris
 Pharmacy Services, Warrington, PA
 Amount: \$255,000* (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve increase and extension of contract to provide
 pharmacy services.
 7/1/25 – 1/31/26

11. Parks & Recreation

- a. With: Friends of Peace Valley Nature Center, Inc.
 Doylestown, PA
 Purpose: Approve Operating Agreement.

5 years from NTP

- b. With: PECO Energy Company, Philadelphia, PA
 Purpose: Approve License Agreement for proposed trail through
 Frosty Hollow Park in Middletown Township.
 10/1/25 – 9/30/50

- c. With: Pennsylvania Organization for Watersheds and Rivers
 Dallas, PA
 Amount: \$30,000 (Revenue)
 Purpose: Approve acceptance of grant funds for the Hal H. Clark Park
 improvement project and authorize Parks and Recreation
 Executive Director to complete grant related documents.
 1/1/24 – 4/30/26

12. Public Defender

- a. With: Lenape Valley Foundation, Doylestown, PA
 Amount: \$100,000** (County 100%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide mitigation specialist services.
 5/15/25 – 5/15/26

13. Purchasing

- a. With: National Purchasing Partners (NPPGov), SeaTac, WA
 Purpose: Authorize county participation in the NPPGov purchasing
 cooperative and authorize Purchasing Director to sign
 intergovernmental agreements.

- b. With: Office Environments, Inc., Bristol, PA
 Amount: \$107,639.51* (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve partial order for purchase and installation of fixtures
 & equipment for the Diversion, Assessment, Restoration,
 and Treatment (DART) Center.

- c. With: Pariser Industries, Inc., Paterson, NJ
 Amount: \$16,600* (County 28%)
 Purpose: Approve increase and extension of contract to provide
 laundry chemicals, dispensing systems and services for
 county facilities.

12/1/25 – 11/30/26

- d. With: Safeware, Inc., Lanham, MD
 Amount: \$28,389.05* (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve purchase of fixtures and equipment for the
 Diversion, Assessment, Restoration, and Treatment (DART)
 Center.

- e. With: SenPro, LLC, Austin, TX
 Amount: (\$1,088.33)
 Purpose: Rescind award of contract for medical & surgical supplies.
 9/15/25 – 9/14/26

14. Sheriff

- a. With: Eagle Point Gun, Thorofare, NJ
 Amount: \$25,245.43** (County 100%)
 Purpose: Approve purchase of ammunition for Sheriff and Park
 Rangers.
 1/1/25 – 12/31/25

15. Workforce & Economic Development

- a. With: Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry, Bureau of
 Workforce Development, Harrisburg, PA
 Amount: \$20,000 (Revenue)
 Purpose: Approve Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)
 youth grant.
 7/1/25 – 12/31/25

- b. With: Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry, Bureau of
 Workforce Development, Harrisburg, PA
 Amount: \$841,085.94 (Revenue)
 Purpose: Approve Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)
 youth grant.
 4/1/25 – 6/30/28

- c. With: Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry, Bureau of
 Workforce Development, Harrisburg, PA
 Amount: \$228,430.76 (Revenue)

Purpose: Approve Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) dislocated worker grant.
7/1/25 – 6/30/28

- d. With: Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry, Bureau of Workforce Development, Harrisburg, PA
Amount: \$164,243.51 (Revenue)
Purpose: Approve Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) adult formula grant.
7/1/25 – 6/30/28

16. Youth Center

- a. With: County of Delaware, Media, PA
Amount: \$650/day /resident (Revenue)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide temporary housing for detention of out-of-county juveniles.
7/1/25 – 6/30/26

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

V. REGULAR AGENDA

A. Personnel Actions - Commissioners List

Upon motion of Commissioner Marseglia, seconded by Commissioner Harvey, with the vote being 2-0, the Personnel Actions on the Commissioners' List were approved.

B. Board Appointments

Upon motion of Commissioner Harvie, seconded by Commissioner Marseglia, with the vote being 2-0, the following appointments were approved:

17. Bucks County Housing Development Corporation (3-year term)

Nancy Adam	new appointment	term ends 10/1/28
Hon. Philip J. Daly	reappointment	term ends 10/1/28
Dawn DiDonato Burke, Esquire	reappointment	term ends 10/1/28
James J. Esposito	reappointment	term ends 10/1/28
Stephen Marzullo	reappointment	term ends 10/1/28
Raymond Myslinski	reappointment	term ends 10/1/28
Leigh M. Nunno	reappointment	term ends 10/1/28

C. Other Civics

Upon motion of Commissioner Marseglia, seconded by Commissioner Harvie, with the vote being 2-0, the following Other Civics contributions were approved:

18.	Bucks County 4H	\$1,200.00
	Pearl Buck Foundation	\$20,000.00
	Bensalem Township School District (field trip program)	\$1,237.20
	Central Bucks School District (field trip program)	\$805.00
	Council Rock School District (field trip program)	\$1,170.00
	Palisades School District (field trip program)	\$239.82
	Pennridge School District (field trip program)	\$671.47

VI. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER REPORT

Chief Operating Officer Margie McKeivitt introduced Director of Veterans Affairs Matt Allen. Mr. Allan presented information on the upcoming Veterans Expo being held next Friday, October 10th from 1 to 4 pm at Parx Casino.

Ms. McKeivitt reported on the following:

- Medication Take-Back Day is Saturday, October 25th from 10 am to 2 pm at various sites throughout the county.
- The next household hazardous waste collection will also be held on Saturday, October 25th, from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm at Strayer Middle School in Quakertown.

VII. SOLICITOR REPORT

Solicitor Amy Fitzpatrick reported on the standing Executive Session held yesterday to discuss personnel matters, pending and prospective litigation, and to receive confidential legal advice.

VIII. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Harvie advised that Yom Kippur begins this evening at sundown, and he extended his wishes that all who are Jewish be sealed in the Book of Life.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Commissioner Marseglia, seconded by Commissioner Harvie, with the vote being 2-0, the meeting was adjourned.

The next public meeting of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, October 15, 2025, at 10:30 a.m. in the Bucks County Commissioners' Meeting Room.

Approved: October 15, 2025
BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
(Official copy on file with chief clerk)

BY:

Gene DiGirolamo
Commissioner, Secretary

ATTEST:

Gail Humphrey, *Chief Clerk*