

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

12/3/2025 - 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; Commissioner Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia, Vice Chair; and Commissioner Gene DiGirolamo, Secretary. Commissioner Harvie welcomed everyone to the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. PRESENTATIONS

A. Bucks County Poet Laureate

The Commissioners recognized Madeline Marriott of Holland as the "2025 Bucks County Poet Laureate," commending her talents and leadership in conveying the beauty of poetry. Contest Director Ethel Rackin, from Bucks County Community College, said a few words about the program. Ms. Marriott thanked the Commissioners for recognition and read a few of her short poems.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following people spoke during Public Comment:

- Edward Mackouse from Buckingham
- Steve Nolan from Newtown
- Beth Curcio from Warminster
- Andy Warren from Middletown Township
- Rochelle Porto from Bensalem

Commissioner Harvie responded with clarification on many of the questions and comments. Chief Operating Officer Margie McKevitt, Solicitor Amy Fitzpatrick, and Commissioner Marseglia each contributed responses to other questions raised.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

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

- A. Approve minutes from the November 19, 2025 regular meeting.
- B. Resolutions

1. Agricultural Land Preservation

- a. With: Henry L. and Charlotte C. Rosenberger, Souderton, PA
Amount: \$120,000+ settlement charges and adjustments
(County 100%)
Purpose: Approve 10-acre agricultural conservation easement on the
Rosenberger Farm in Hilltown Township.
(TMP 15-017-049)

2. Area Agency on Aging

- a. With: Transitional Care Solutions Inc. d/b/a Interim Healthcare of
Lower Bucks County, Trevoese, PA
Amount: (\$21,702.71)
Purpose: Approve decrease and termination of contract to provide
home health, personal care, and home support services for
seniors.
7/1/25 – 9/30/25

3. BH/DP

- a. With: Lenape Valley Foundation, Doylestown, PA
Amount: \$7,670,261** (County 4%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide mental health, intellectual
disability, and early intervention services.
7/1/25 – 6/30/26
- b. With: Penndel Mental Health Center, Langhorne, PA
Amount: \$3,661,153** (County 3.8%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide mental health and intellectual
disability services.
7/1/25 – 6/30/26

4. Children & Youth

- a. With: Haven Adoptions and Family Services f/k/a Haven
Adoptions, Inc., Ambler, PA
Purpose: Approve vendor name change on contract to provide foster
care and kinship services to children.
7/1/24 – 6/30/25

- b. With: Haven Adoptions and Family Services, Ambler, PA
 - Amount: \$200,000** (County 16%)
 - Purpose: Approve increase of contract to provide foster care and kinship services to children.
 - 7/1/24 – 6/30/25

- c. With: Northern Children's Services, Philadelphia, PA
 - Amount: \$300,000** (County 13%)
 - Purpose: Approve contract to provide foster care services.
 - 7/1/25 – 6/30/27

- d. With: Tabor Children's Services, Doylestown, PA
 - Amount: \$520,079** (County 5%)
 - Purpose: Approve contract to provide intensive family services.
 - 7/1/25 – 6/30/26

- e. With: YWCA of Bucks County, Trevese, PA
 - Amount: \$754,000** (County 20%)
 - Purpose: Approve contract to provide Life Skills, Camps and Literacy, Family Finding, and Employment Service programs.
 - 7/1/25 – 6/30/26

5. Corrections

- a. With: Family Service Association of Bucks County
 - Langhorne, PA
 - Amount: \$25,000** (County 0%)
 - Purpose: Approve contract to provide anger management program.
 - 1/1/26 – 12/31/26

6. Courts

- a. With: Anthony Q. Lewis, Philadelphia, PA
 - Amount: \$128.75/hour* (County 0%)
 - Purpose: Approve contract to provide Treatment Court Intervention Counseling services.
 - 1/1/26 – 12/31/26

- b. With: Children & Youth Conflict Counsel

1. Antheil Maslow & MacMinn LLP c/o Jennifer Dickerson
2. Begley, Carlin, Mandio LLP c/o Chloe Boudazin
3. Elissa B. Heinrichs
4. Francine Kaplan
5. Joseph M. Ramagli
6. Marc S. Stolee
7. Keith J. Williams

Amount: \$218,170.68** (County 100%)

Purpose: Approve contracts with seven private attorneys to represent parties in dependency cases when there is a conflict of interest with Legal Aid. (\$31,167.24 per contract)
1/1/26 – 12/31/26

c. With: Criminal Conflict Counsel

1. Fairlie & Lippy PC c/o Christine Cregar
2. John S. Han
3. Bonnie-Ann Keagy
4. Daniel M. Keane
5. McMahon, Lentz & Thompson c/o Erin Lentz-McMahon
6. Patrick J. McMenamin, Jr.
7. Penglase & Benson, Inc. c/o Wm. Craig Penglase
8. Christopher Serpico
9. Marc S. Stolee
10. Keith Williams

Amount: \$488,241** (County 100%)

Purpose: Approve contracts with ten private attorneys to represent individual defendants in cases when there is a conflict of interest with the Bucks County Public Defender's Office. (\$48,824.10 per contract)
1/1/26 – 12/31/26

d. With: Sean M. Gresh, Esquire, Langhorne, PA

Amount: \$60,446.73** (County 100%)

Purpose: Approve contract for mental health review officer to act as hearing officer for petitions filed in Bucks County Court under the Mental Health & Intellectual Disabilities Act.
1/1/26 – 12/31/26

e. With: Sean R. Ryan, Perkasio, PA

Amount: \$17,019.72** (County 100%)

Purpose: Approve contract to act as General Master in Court matters.
1/1/26 – 12/31/26

- f. With: The Lerro Corporation, Norristown, PA
Amount: \$11,840.44** (County 100%)
Purpose: Approve increase of contract to upgrade audiovisual systems in the Bucks County Justice Center.
2/19/25 – Completion

7. Emergency Communications

- a. With: Interaction Insight Corporation, Red Bank, NJ
Amount: \$353,158** (County 8.4%)
Purpose: Approve contract to implement and support a public-safety-grade logging system.
10/1/25 – 9/30/26

8. General Services

- a. With: Doylestown Electric, Doylestown, PA
Amount: \$35,732.26** (County 100%)
Purpose: Approve contract to purchase maintenance and repair supplies for county buildings and properties.
1/1/25 – 12/31/25
- b. With: Honeywell International, Inc., Charlotte, NC
Amount: \$25,515.54** (County 0%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide Refuge Area Gate Lock for the Diversion, Assessment, Restoration, and Treatment (DART) Center.
9/17/25 – 12/31/25
- c. With: Magnum, Inc., Warminster, PA
Purpose: Approve extension of general construction contract for the Diversion, Assessment, Rehabilitation, and Treatment (DART) Center.
6/7/25 – 12/1/25
- d. With: Manafort Brothers Incorporated, Plainville, CT
Amount: (\$51,980)

Purpose: Approve decrease of contract to provide asbestos abatement for the old Neshaminy Manor building. 180 days from NTP

e. With: PennDOT Engineering District 6-0, Harrisburg, PA
Amount: \$1,984,000 (Revenue)
Purpose: Approve Carbon Reduction Program grant for electric vehicle charging station project and authorize General Service Director to electronically execute grant documents. 5 years from NTP

f. With: Rycon Construction Inc., Philadelphia, PA
Amount: \$49,089.38** (County 100%)
Purpose: Approve increase and adjustment of general construction contract for Lower Bucks Government Services Center. (change order #17)
9/24/26 – 11/8/26

g. With: Vision Mechanical, Inc., West Reading, PA
Purpose: Approve extension of plumbing contract for the Diversion, Assessment, Rehabilitation, and Treatment Center project. 6/7/25 – 12/1/25

h. With: Vision Mechanical, Inc., West Reading, PA
Amount: \$965.96** (County 0%)
Purpose: Approve increase of plumbing contract for the Diversion, Assessment, Rehabilitation, and Treatment Center project. 6/7/25 – 12/1/25

9. Health Department

a. With: Vericord, LLC dba Aveva, Dunn Loring, VA
Amount: \$15,383** (County 100%)
Purpose: Approve increase and extension of contract to provide software for the HIV/STD clinic. 9/1/25 – 8/31/26

10. Housing & Community Development

a. With: Bucks County Opportunity Council, Inc., Doylestown, PA

Amount: \$8,288.80** (County 0%)
Purpose: Approve increase of contract to provide rapid rehousing and homelessness prevention services.
12/1/24 – 3/31/26

- b. With: Higher Information Group, LLC, Harrisburg, PA
Purpose: Approve extension of contract to provide document digitization services.
1/8/26 – 1/7/27

11. Human Resources

- a. With: Independence Blue Cross, Philadelphia, PA
Amount: \$4,801,524* (County 100%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide administrative services and claims processing for county medical and vision plans.
1/1/26 – 12/31/28
- b. With: Independence Blue Cross, Philadelphia, PA
Amount: \$12,490,932* (County 100%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide administrative services for county prescription plan.
1/1/26 – 12/31/28
- c. With: Symetra Life Insurance Company, Bellevue, WA
Amount: \$1,439,244* (County 100%)
Purpose: Approve contract increase and extension to provide basic term life, AD&D, disability, and voluntary life insurance to eligible county employees.
1/1/26 – 12/31/28
- d. With: United Concordia Companies, Inc., Harrisburg, PA
Amount: \$694,004* (County 100%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide dental coverage to eligible employees and dependents.
1/1/26 – 12/31/26

12. Human Services

- a. With: Bucks County Transport, Inc., Holicong, PA

Amount: \$2,065,312** (County 0%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide transportation services.
7/1/25 – 6/30/26

- b. With: Lenape Valley Foundation, Doylestown, PA
Amount: \$183,114** (County 100%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide psychiatrist consulting services for The Bright Path Center.
7/1/25 – 6/30/26

13. Information Technology

- a. With: SHI International, Inc., Somerset, NJ
Amount: \$44,125.85* (County 100%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide Cisco Identity Services Engine (ISE) licenses.
12/21/25 – 7/31/27
- b. With: Verizon Business Network Services LLC
Basking Ridge, NJ
Amount: \$60,000** (County 100%)
Purpose: Approve increase and extension of contract to provide private IP access.
12/22/25 – 3/31/26

14. Juvenile Probation

- a. With: Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency
Harrisburg, PA
Amount: \$120,850 (Revenue)
Purpose: Approve extension of and subsequent award documents for the PCCD Victims of Juvenile Offenders grant.
1/1/26 – 12/31/26

15. Park Rangers

- a. With: PowerDMS, Inc., El Segundo, CA
Amount: \$2,323.07** (County 0%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide standards and training.
8/26/25 – 8/25/26

16. Parks & Recreation

- a. With: Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Bureau of Recreation and Conservation
Harrisburg, PA
Purpose: Approve extension of contract to provide a Comprehensive Recreation, Park and Open Space Plan.
1/1/26 – 12/31/26

17. Planning Commission

- a. With: Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc.
Redlands, CA
Amount: \$62,860 (County 100%)
Purpose: Approve contract for software licenses and maintenance of the county's Geographic Information System (GIS) program.
2/2/26 – 2/1/27

18. Purchasing

- a. With: J.P. Pest Services, Inc., Bristol, PA
Amount: \$25,214* (County 100%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide pest control services for various county locations.
12/15/25 – 12/14/27
- b. With: Universal Pest Services, Inc., Havertown, PA
Amount: \$30,070* (County 52%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide pest control services for various county locations.
12/15/25 – 12/14/27

19. Security

- a. With: Johnson Controls Security Solutions, Milwaukee, WI
Amount: \$16,947.75** (County 100%)
Purpose: Approve increase of contract to install additional card access and card readers.
11/1/23 – 11/1/28

- b. With: Johnson Controls Security Solutions, Milwaukee, WI
 Amount: \$29,370.38** (County 100%)
 Purpose: Approve increase of contract to add camera and card reader
 to the new HUB area. (Subject to final approval by county
 solicitor)
 11/1/23 – 11/1/28
- c. With: Johnson Controls Security Solutions, Milwaukee, WI
 Amount: \$6,391.98** (County 100%)
 Purpose: Approve increase of contract to provide security cameras for
 Domestic Relations.
 11/1/23 – 11/1/28
- d. With: Smiths Detection, Inc. Edgewood, MD
 Amount: \$25,704.07** (County 100%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide repairs to x-ray machine at the
 Justice Center.
 1/1/25 – 12/31/25

*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 DiGirolamo, with the vote being 3-0, the Personnel Actions on the Commissioners' List were approved.

B. Board Appointments

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

20. Bucks County Conference & Visitor's Bureau (4-year term)
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| Robert McGowan | reappointment | term ends 12/31/29 |
| Douglas Andrew Miller | reappointment | term ends 12/31/29 |
| Jonathan Snipes | reappointment | term ends 12/31/29 |
21. Bucks County Conservation District (4-year term)
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| John Frederick | reappointment | term ends 12/31/29 |
| Robert J. Harvie, Jr. | reappointment | term ends 12/31/26 |

Kellie McGowan

reappointment

term ends 12/31/29

22. DVRPC Public Participation Taskforce (2-year term)

Mathew Tharakan

reappointment

term ends 12/1/28

C. Other Civics

Upon motion of Commissioner DiGirolamo, seconded by Commissioner Marseglia, with the vote being 3-0, the following Other Civics contribution(s) was/were approved:

23.	Bucks County SPCA	\$3,000
	Middletown Grange Fair	\$2,500
	Pennadel Mental Health – Together in Action Fund	\$2,000
	Snipes Farm and Education Center	\$2,000
	VITA	\$12,000

VI. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER REPORT

Margie McKeivitt, Chief Operating Officer, expressed her appreciation and well wishes to Ms. Fitzpatrick.

VII. SOLICITOR REPORT

Ahead of her departure for her new role as Common Pleas Court judge, Ms. Fitzpatrick shared appreciative comments about her time as Solicitor.

Ms. Fitzpatrick reported on the standing Executive Session held yesterday to discuss personnel matters, labor issues, and pending and prospective litigation.

VIII. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Echoing Ms. McKeivitt's comments, Commissioner Harvie added some of his own and said that it was a pleasure having Ms. Fitzpatrick as County Solicitor.

Commissioner Harvie advised that Hanukah begins on the 15th and he wished a Happy Hanukah to all those of the Jewish faith.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Commissioner Marseglia, seconded by Commissioner DiGirolamo, 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, December 17, 2025, at 10:30 a.m. in the Bucks County Commissioners' Meeting Room.

Approved: December 17, 2025
BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
(Official copy on file with chief clerk)

BY:

Gene DiGirolamo
Commissioner, Secretary

ATTEST:

Gail Humphrey, *Chief Clerk*