

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

July 7, 2021

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. Commissioner Ellis-Marseglia welcomed everyone to the meeting and Rich Brahler, Director of Transportation Planning, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

Commissioner Marseglia welcomed Kristian Ballerini, Treasurer.

PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Brahler provided information on the County Comprehensive Plan Update, Bucks2040. In addition to the resident surveys that were sent out, they are also trying to gather data about local businesses to help shape the upcoming revision of the plan. To this end, the county has released a survey, www.surveymonkey.com/r/Bucks2040Business for proprietors to complete. Commissioner Harvie and Chief Operating Officer Margie McKeivitt both encouraged people to provide their input and take part in the surveys.

Kevin Wright, President of ProtoGen, gave a presentation on the recent solar energy audit provided for the county. Among other things, Mr. Wright explained their process of collecting and evaluating information from 25 county locations. He provided a cost analysis and touched on the environmental impact of using solar energy. Mr. Wright responded to questions from Commissioner Harvie regarding the third-party options.

Commissioner Harvie reported on the Ready for 100 Committee, which is comprised of the following county employees: Kris Ballerini, Treasurer; Mike Bannon, Director of Consumer Protection; Dave Boscola, Chief Financial Officer; Bernard Griggs, Project and Diversity Officer; Eric Nagy, Director of Policy and Projects; John Regula, Chief Information Officer; Lauren Smith, Human Resources Director; Kevin Spencer, General Services Director of Operations; Evan Stone, Executive Director of the Bucks County Planning Commission; and the Honorable Jordan B. Yeager. The committee has met several times to discuss potential steps they could take to move toward the county’s goal of being 100% renewable energy in the next 15 years.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Agenda Items

Andy Warren, former Commissioner from Middletown Township, had questions on several agenda items which were addressed as follows:

- Item 1d - Human Services Director Rachel Neff responded
- Item 3a - Ms. McKeivitt responded
- Items 6a & b - Commissioner Marseglia and Ms. McKeivitt both responded
- Item 8c - Mr. Regula responded
- Items 13d & e - It was determined that this was a duplicate item on a prior version of the agenda

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. Minutes from the June 16, 2021 regular meeting
- B. Resolutions

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>WITH</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1. BH/DP	a. Child and Family Focus, Inc. Audubon, PA	Approve contract to provide Systems Integration Facilitation services. 7/1/21 – 6/30/22	\$75,000** (County 0%)
	b. Employment Technology, Inc. Doylestown, PA	Approve contract increase to provide employment services. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$5,849** (County 3.9%)
	c. National Alliance on Mental Illness of Bucks County Warrington, PA	Approve contract to provide community-based services. 7/1/21 – 6/30/22	\$290,354** (County 3%)
	d. Voice & Vision, Inc. Warrington, PA	Approve contract for consumer satisfaction team and peer support services. 7/1/21 – 6/30/22	\$409,328** (County 2%)

2. CLERK OF COURTS	a. Paperless Solutions, Inc. Bensalem, PA	Approve contract increase and amendment to configure and monitor documents in OnBase. 10/1/19 – 9/30/22	\$6,600** (County 0%)
3. COMMISSIONERS	a. Bucks County Conference and Visitors Bureau	Approve resolution amending the Lodging Tax Resolution Amendment dated December 21, 2016.	
4. CORRECTIONS	a. Bucks County Drug & Alcohol Commission Doylestown, PA	Approve reimbursement to Inmate Welfare Fund for therapeutic consultant expenses. 7/1/21 – 6/30/22	\$104,000 (Revenue)
	b. Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency Harrisburg, PA	Approve application for 2021 County Jail-Based Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) grant. 10/1/21 – 9/30/22	\$150,000 (Revenue)
5. GENERAL SERVICES	a. Bergey's Tire & Auto Franconia, PA	Approve contract to purchase auto supplies for county fleet maintenance. 1/1/21 – 12/31/21	\$45,000** (County 100%)
	b. Loftus Construction, Inc. Cinnaminson, NJ	Approve contract increase for replacement of Bridge #138, located on Creek Road over Little Neshaminy Creek in Warwick Township.	\$9,354.48** (County 100%)
	c. Professional Construction Contractors, Inc. Bethlehem, PA	Approve contract for concrete repairs for Bridge #30, located on Clay Ridge Road over Beaver Creek in Tinicum Township.	\$102,350** (County 100%)
	d. Professional Construction Contractors, Inc. Bethlehem, PA	Approve contract for concrete repairs for Bridge #36, located on Stockton Avenue over Aquetong Creek in New Hope Borough.	\$24,750** (County 100%)
	e. TE Construction Services, LLC Warminster, PA	Approve general construction contract increase for 5th floor Justice Center build out.	\$319,746.54** (County 100%)
	f. T-Mobile Northeast LLC Bellevue, WA	Approve contract increase for lease of space on Lower Southampton cell tower. 1/1/15 – 12/31/29	\$303,859.14 (Revenue)
6. HEALTH	a. FW PA-Warwick Plaza LLC Jacksonville, FL	Approve extension of lease agreement to allow use of the former Giant grocery store for public vaccination clinic. 8/1/21 – 12/31/21	\$65,000** (County 0%)
	b. Neshaminy Mall Joint Venture Limited Partnership Chicago, IL	Approve increase and extension of site agreement to allow use of facility at the Neshaminy Mall for public vaccination clinic. 8/1/21 – 12/31/21	\$16,000* (County 0%)
	c. Offix USA, Inc. Allentown, PA	Approve contract to purchase furniture needed for the COVID-19 expansion/redesign project.	\$57,106.48** (County 0%)
7. HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	a. Bucks County Opportunity Council Doylestown, PA	Approve contract for 2020 Pennsylvania Housing Affordability and Rehabilitation Enhancement (PHARE) funding for landlord incentive. 2/25/21 – 8/25/22	\$147,660 (County 0%)
	b. Bucks County Opportunity Council Doylestown, PA	Approve contract for 2021 CDBG funding for operational support of the Bucks County Housing Link and diversion services. 7/1/21 – 6/30/22	\$84,333** (County 0%)
	c. Pennadel Mental Health Center, Inc. Langhorne, PA	Approve contract for 2021 CDBG funding for exterior renovations of Durham Road facility. 7/1/21 – 6/30/22	\$55,000** (County 0%)

	d.	Penndel Mental Health Center, Inc. Langhorne, PA	Approve contract for 2021 CDBG funding for exterior roofing renovations at Franklin Avenue facility. 7/1/21 – 6/30/22	\$15,750** (County 0%)
8. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	a.	Graybar Electric Company, Inc. Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract to purchase meter to assist with testing, trouble shooting, and certifying network cabling.	\$39,271 (County 100%)
	b.	SHI Somerset, NJ	Approve contract to purchase telecommunications equipment.	\$20,000** (County 100%)
	c.	Verizon Albany, NY	Approve contract increase and extension to provide connectivity to 7 county locations. Month to Month	\$6,125/mo** (County 100%)
9. LAW DEPARTMENT	a.	Nina M. Pultorak and Cordisco & Saile LLC Trevose, PA	Approve payment in the matter of <u>Pultorak v. County of Bucks et.al.</u> for settlement of litigation and general release of claims.	\$25,000 (County 100%)
10. NESHAMINY MANOR	a.	American Data Sauk City, WI	Approve contract increase and extension for maintenance agreement for electronic charting system. 7/1/21 – 9/30/21	\$11,500** (County 0%)
11. PLANNING COMMISSION	a.	Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract to provide transportation planning services. 7/1/21 – 6/30/22	\$94,200 (Revenue)
	b.	Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract to provide public transit planning services. 7/1/21 – 6/30/22	\$61,734 (Revenue)
	c.	Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract to provide GIS services. 7/1/21 – 6/30/22	\$26,000 (Revenue)
	d.	Michael Baker International, Inc. Fort Washington, PA	Approve contract increase to add environmental assessment for the Dark Hollow portion of the Neshaminy Greenway Trail.	\$7,700** (County 0%)
	e.	Monster Paving, Inc. Lower Gwynedd, PA	Approve contract decrease for construction of Upper Bucks Rail Trail. 1/27/21 – 12/15/21	(\$100,000)
12. PUBLIC DEFENDER	a.	Allan M. Tepper, J.D. Psy.D. Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract to provide forensic and psychological services. 5/1/21 – 5/1/22	\$60,000** (County 100%)
	b.	Bucks County Court Reporters, LLC Bensalem, PA	Approve contract to provide court stenographic services. 5/1/21 – 5/1/22	\$60,000** (County 100%)
13. WORKFORCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	a.	Bucks County Intermediate Unit #22 Doylestown, PA	Approve contract to provide funding for student internships, Career Pathways website, and rental of mobile fabrication lab. 1/28/21 – 6/30/22	\$41,000 (County 0%)
	b.	Gilah Properties, LLC c/o Bucks County Office Center Bristol, PA	Approve contract increase and extension for lease of PA CareerLink of Bucks County office center. 7/1/21 – 10/31/21	\$104,400** + utilities (County 0%)
	c.	IT Solutions Consulting Fort Washington, PA	Approve contract to provide IT services, support, and maintenance for PA CareerLink Bucks County. 1/1/21 – to completion	\$45,000* (County 0%)
	d.	Service Access & Management, Inc. Reading, PA	Approve contract to provide financial consulting, accounting support, and reporting tools. 7/1/21 – 8/31/21	\$10,000* (County 0%)

14. YOUTH CENTER	a. US Foods Allentown, PA	Approve contract increase and extension to purchase food products. 7/1/21 – 6/30/22	\$80,000** (County 50%)
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*Unit Cost/Estimated for operational purposes only. ** Unit Cost/Not to Exceed

REGULAR AGENDA

Item 15a - Commissioner Marseglia shared some information about the Stokes House which dates back to 1741. She advised there is an open house being held on July 24th from 5:30 – 8:00. Pete McElroy, Asset Manager, advised that the Haycock Historical Society has been a great steward of the property for the past ten years, and the county is happy to extend their lease. Commissioner Harvie noted that efforts are being made to get the building on the National Register of Historic Places.

Upon Motion of Commissioner DiGirolamo, seconded by Commissioner Harvie, with the vote being 3-0, the following Resolutions from the regular agenda were approved by the Bucks County Board of Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT	WITH	PURPOSE	AMOUNT
15. GENERAL SERVICES	a. The Haycock Historical Society Quakertown, PA	Approve ten-year extension of lease of county property at 1299 Apple Road in Quakertown. 11/1/22 – 10/31/32	\$1/year (Revenue)
16. TREASURER	a. Grim, Biehn & Thatcher, P.C. Perkasie, PA	Approve appointment of outside counsel as Solicitor for Treasurer at a rate of \$150/hour + expenses. 8/1/21 – Open	\$25,000/year** + expenses (County 100%)

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BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

None

PERSONNEL

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

COMMISSIONERS LIST July 7, 2021								
As recommended by the Department of Human Resources Item numbers 1 through 72								
APPOINTMENTS	REQUISITION #	NEW HIRE NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION
1	4660	Iain H. Barnes	Peace Officer	Security	08	40.0	7/26/2021	23.69 PH
2	4588	Elijah Beck	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	00	40.0	7/1/2021	9.50 PH
3	4563	Ahrmeen A. Brown Jr	Food Service Attendant - PD	NM Dietary Services	03	24.0	6/19/2021	13.27 PH
4	N/A	Francesca H. Capozzi	Housing - PD	Housing and Community Development	00	40.0	6/21/2021	15.00 PH
5	4683	Jennifer M. Carey	Clerk II	Children and Youth	04	37.5	7/12/2021	18.21 PH
6	4687	Luis A. Colon	Laundry Machine Operator	NMH Laundry Services	02	40.0	7/12/2021	23.14 PH
7	4591	Ian D. Cunningham	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	00	40.0	7/10/2021	11.00 PH
8	4661	Daniel Donovan	Security Screener - PD	Security	00	15.0	7/12/2021	13.24 PH
9	4588	Ryan M. Emma	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	00	40.0	7/8/2021	11.00 PH
10	4559	Marie T. Guerrier	Nursing Assistant	NM Nursing Assistants	03	40.0	7/20/2021	20.78 PH
11	4660	Christian S. Hellyer	Peace Officer	Security	08	40.0	7/12/2021	23.69 PH
12	4686	Erin M. Holden	Administrative Aide	Planning Administrative	03	40.0	7/19/2021	22.41 PH
13	4588	Cooper Klose	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	00	40.0	6/28/2021	11.00 PH
14	4588	Evan R. Martini	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	00	40.0	5/22/2021	8.25 PH
15	4674	Andrew J. New	Trades Level I-NMH	NMH Operations and Maintenance	02	40.0	6/22/2021	30.16 PH
16	4660	Timothy Phillips	Peace Officer	Security	08	40.0	7/26/2021	23.69 PH
17	4647	Michael J. Przyuski	Grounds Level III	General Services	02	40.0	7/14/2021	22.18 PH
18	4561	Marie-Ann A. Wakefield	Nursing Assistant - Pool	NM Nursing Pool	30	14.0	7/20/2021	21.42 PH
19	4563	Tamika M. Watt	Food Service Attendant - PD	NM Dietary Services	03	24.0	7/10/2021	13.27 PH
20	4660	Marquice Q. Williams	Peace Officer	Security	08	40.0	7/26/2021	23.69 PH
21	4672	Stacy Ann A. Wisdom	Aging Care Manager	Area Agency on Aging	04	37.5	7/12/2021	25.36 PH

REHIRE	REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION
22	4561	Barry R. Bouc	Nursing Assistant - Pool	NM Nursing Pool	30	14.0	7/12/2021	21.42 PH
		Separation Date: 8/2/2020						
23	4659	Kimberly F. Halpin	Social Worker Advocate	Public Defender	00	40.0	7/12/2021	58,753.00 PA
		Separation Date: 8/26/2005						
24	N/A	Bernadette L. Harris	Training - PD	Health Department	00	20.0	6/7/2021	26.40 PH
		Separation Date: 6/4/2021						
25	4588	Alexander W. Marella	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	00	40.0	5/23/2021	8.59 PH
		Separation Date: 1/22/2021						
26	N/A	William M. Mitchell	Training - PD	General Services	00	8.0	7/12/2021	50.00 PH
		Separation Date: 4/16/2021						

PERMANENT TO PER DIEM	REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION
27	N/A	Amanda L. Johnson	HR Office Coordinator TO Training - PD	Human Resources	00	40.0	7/17/2021	18.75 PH

PER DIEM TO PERMANENT	REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION
28	4691	Edwin G. Seenivasagan Selvaraj	Food Service Attendant - PD TO Food Service Attendant	NM Dietary Services	03	12.0 TO 40.0	7/17/2021	13.27 PH TO 19.18 PH

POSITION CHANGE								
	REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION
29	N/A	Debra A. Canale	Administrative Assistant-5 TO Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper	Planning Administrative	03	40.0	7/17/2021	24.50 PH TO 26.39 PH
30	4645	Ned W. Cutshall Jr	Voting Machine Mechanic TO Voting Machine Manager	Voting Machines	02 TO 00	40.0	7/17/2021	24.39 PH TO 58,000.00 PA
31	4617	Anthony P. Disandro	Investigator TO Chief Investigator	Main Jail	00	40.0	7/17/2021	34.60 PH TO 37.26 PH
32	N/A	Christopher J. Hugg	Records Officer TO Sergeant Corrections	Main Jail	01 TO 81	40.0	7/17/2021	27.69 PH TO 31.76 PH
33	4662	Carl H. Metallus	Community Corrections Manager TO Superintendent (BCCF)	Main Jail	00	40.0	7/17/2021	84,059.00 PA TO 103,000.00 PA
34	4703	Justin T. Tuttle	Electronic Technician I TO Electronic Technician II	Emergency Communications	03	40.0	7/17/2021	27.81 PH TO 30.52 PH

TRANSFER								
	REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION
35	4562	Christopher T. Bryant	Registered Nurse TO Unit Manager	NM Registered Nurses TO NM Administration	06 TO 86	40.0	7/17/2021	33.08 PH TO 38.95 PH
36	4561	Siobhan A. Jones	Nursing Assistant - PD TO Nursing Assistant - Pool	NM Nursing Assistants TO NM Nursing Pool	03 TO 30	24.0 TO 14.0	7/17/2021	21.20 PH TO 21.42 PH
37	N/A	Susan E. Laphen	Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper TO Tax Sale Specialist	Planning Administrative TO Tax Claim Bureau	03 TO 00	40.0	6/28/2021	26.39 PH TO 27.16 PH
38	4702	Anthony J. Turner	Dispatcher I TO Electronic Technician I	911 Emergency Response TO Emergency Communications	03	40.0	7/17/2021	27.81 PH

SALARY ADJUSTMENT								
	REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION
39	N/A	Emily R. DiDomenico	HR Generalist	Human Resources	00	40.0	7/17/2021	40,689.00 PA TO 43,189.00 PA
40	N/A	Edward J. Flosdorf	General Service - PD	General Services	00	40.0	7/17/2021	13.02 PH TO 13.50 PH
41	N/A	Daniella N. Marinacci	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreations Services	00	40.0	7/12/2021	9.75 PH TO 10.25 PH
42	N/A	Vincent J. Opdyke	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreations Services	00	40.0	3/24/2021	13.00 PH TO 15.00 PH
43	N/A	Sarah Owk	General Service - PD	General Services	00	40.0	7/17/2021	12.20 PH TO 13.00 PH
44	N/A	Lorraine J. Shinnners	HR Generalist	Human Resources	00	40.0	7/17/2021	41,453.00 PA TO 43,953.00 PA
45	N/A	Jane M. Shunk	HR Generalist	Human Resources	00	40.0	7/17/2021	39,940.00 PA TO 42,440.00 PA

START OUT OF CLASS/TEMP ASSIGNMENT								
	REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION
46	N/A	Anthony J. Cruz	Corrections Officer TO Sergeant Corrections	Main Jail	01 TO 81	40.0	7/17/2021	25.68 PH TO 31.76 PH
47	N/A	David L. Kratz	Deputy Director of Corrections TO Director of Corrections	Main Jail	00	40.0	7/7/2021	107,702.00 PA TO 119,479.00 PA

END OUT OF CLASS/TEMP ASSIGNMENT								
	REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION
48	N/A	Anthony P. DiSandro	Chief Investigator TO Investigator	Main Jail	00	40.0	7/16/2021	36.56 PH TO 34.60 PH
49	N/A	David M. Galione	Superintendent (BCCF) TO Deputy Superintendent I - Security	Main Jail	00	40.0	7/16/2021	103,488.00 PA TO 101,439.00 PA
50	N/A	Carl H. Metellus	Deputy Superintendent I - Security TO Community Corrections Manager	Main Jail	00	40.0	7/16/2021	92,749.00 PA TO 84,059.00 PA

SEPARATION								
	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	EFFECTIVE DATE		COMPENSATION		
51	James K. Alicea	Corrections Officer	Main Jail	6/29/2021		22.14 PH		
52	Patrick T. Ball	Peace Officer	Security	7/6/2021**		23.69 PH		
53	Maria M. Bennett	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	6/13/2021		16.00 PH		
54	Anthony A. Carleo	Corrections Officer	Main Jail	7/7/2021		28.79 PH		
55	Allison M. Dominick	Nursing Assistant	NM Nursing Assistants	7/27/2021		21.20 PH		
56	Rebecca R. Esola	Contract Coordinator - PD	Law Department	6/17/2021		24.00 PH		
57	James F. Foran	Radio System Administrator	911 Emergency Response	7/16/2021		79,050.00 PA		
58	Hannah F. Hegedus	Caseworker	Children and Youth	7/2/2021		26.41 PH		
59	Tyler C. Hodder	Neshaminy Manor - PD	NM Laundry Services	6/25/2021		13.27 PH		
60	Kelly R. Koelzer	Dispatcher Trainee - PD	911 Emergency Response	6/6/2021		18.77 PH		
61	Walter Korzeb III	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	6/17/2021 **		10.25 PH		
62	Gabrielle E. McCain	Nursing Assistant - PD	NM Nursing Assistants	6/30/2021		21.62 PH		
63	Sara A. Miller	CYF Program Specialist I	Children and Youth	6/18/2021		41.60 PA		
64	Lorriisa A. Pennie	Corrections Officer	Main Jail	7/8/2021		22.58 PH		
65	Margaret A. Poulson	Corrections Officer	Main Jail	7/5/2021		28.79 PH		
66	Charles D. Seyler	Food Service Attendant - PD	NM Dietary Services	6/28/2021		13.27 PH		
67	Anthony J. Succi	Peace Officer	Security	7/2/2021		23.69 PH		
68	Nancy A. Trearty	ID Program Specialist I	MH DP Admin	8/2/2021		41.02 PH		
69	David T. VanHorn	Grounds Level III	General Services	6/13/2021		22.18 PH		
*Estimated Date **Never Started ***Agreement ****Reinstatement								

CORRECTION								
	REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION
70	4559	Natascha Bastien	Nursing Assistant	NM Nursing Assistants	03	40.0	6/7/2021	20.78 PH
71	N/A	Shauna V. Goldman	Seasonal Help - PD TO General Service - PD	Parks Recreation Services General Services	00	40.0	5/22/2021	10.97 PH TO 15.00 PH
72	N/A	Jeremy T. Eichner	Help Desk Specialist TO Desktop Support Specialist	Information Technology	46	40.0	6/7/2021	26.42 PH TO 27.64 PH

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

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

Housing Authority (5-year term)

Donna Petrecco

new appointment

term expires 6/30/26

<u>Juvenile Detention Board of Managers</u> (3-year term)			
Steven Cashman (President Judge Appointment)	reappointment	term expires 7/1/24	
Warren T. Knight (Commissioner Chair Appointment)	reappointment	term expires 7/1/24	
<u>Workforce Development Board</u>			
Dr. Felicia Ganther	new appointment	term expires 11/4/21*	
*finishing term of Dr. Shanblatt			

OTHER CIVICS

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

Bucks County Tour of Honor	\$2,000
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Upon motion of Commissioner Marseglia, seconded by Commissioner Harvie, with the vote being 3-0, the following Other Civics contributions were approved:

Advocates for Homeless & Those in Need	\$1,000
Doylestown FISH	\$1,500

CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER REPORT

Ms. McKevitt reported on the following:

A Household Hazardous Waste collection will be held on August 14th at the Bucks County Technical High School in Fairless Hills from 9 am to 3 pm. This is a no contact event and on-line pre-registration is required. See website for more information.

Neshaminy Manor will be hosting a job fair for nurses on July 14th from 10:00-12:00 and 3:00-5:00. Please refer any RNs, LPNs, or CNAs that you may know.

SOLICITOR REPORT

Solicitor Joe Khan thanked the commissioners for their investment in the Department of Consumer Protection, Weights & Measures. He said that restoring the staffing capacity puts the department in a good position to be truly responsive in addressing concerns of the community.

Mr. Khan reported that the Department has had a surge in complaints recently regarding scams, particularly robo calls and efforts to obtain personal information. Mr. Khan noted the resources available at no cost to consumers and urged anyone with concerns to contact Consumer Protection via the hotline at 1(800)942-2669; by email at consumerprotection@buckscounty.org, or via Twitter at @bucksconsumer. He added that the new county website, www.buckscounty.gov now has better capacity to be more responsive to residents’ needs.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Harvie said he hoped everyone was enjoying their summer. He reminded everyone to look out for friends and neighbors, especially the elderly, who may not be faring well in the extreme heat.

Commissioner Harvie shared a recent personal experience that involved a lost dog and how a diverse array of community members came together to help. He said this was a reminder that we have more things in common with each other than the things that sometimes pull us apart.

Commissioner DiGirolamo spoke about renewable energy and climate change, emphasizing that it is not a partisan issue. He said that he tries to conserve energy by turning off lights and adjusting the thermostat. Noting that he is proud of his 100% voting record on environmental issues during his last 2-year term in Harrisburg, the commissioner said it is important to leave the environment safe and healthy for our children and grandchildren.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Warren questioned the need for the county to continue providing vaccinations when people can get them at the drug store. He also commented on the federal COVID money and the debt burden it will place on future generations. Mr. Warren expressed concerns about the potential of ballot boxes not being guarded at some point in the future, and the practice of poll workers cutting off the lines at exactly 8:00 pm.

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, July 21, 2021, at 10:30 a.m. in the Bucks County Commissioners’ Meeting Room.

Approved: July 21, 2021

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BY:

Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia
Commissioner, Chair

Robert J. Harvie, Jr.
Commissioner, Vice-Chair

Gene DiGirolamo
Commissioner

ATTEST:

Gail Humphrey, *Chief Clerk*