

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

October 20, 2021

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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 Marseglia welcomed everyone to the meeting and Court Administrator Steve Heckman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. WELCOME / INTRODUCTIONS

Commissioner Marseglia welcomed row officer Linda Bobrin, Register of Wills.

III. PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

- A. National Disability Employment Awareness Month Proclamation, Nicole VanReymersdal and Jane Cramer, Bucks County Behavioral Health

The commissioners proclaimed October 2021 as "National Disability Employment Awareness Month." Accepting the proclamation and presenting a slideshow were Jane Cramer and Nicole Van Reymersdal from Behavioral Health Developmental Programs, accompanied by Dr. Mark Hoffman, Executive Director of the Bucks County Intermediate Unit, and students from Project SEARCH.

- B. Teen Driver Safety Week Proclamation, Steve Noll, TMA Bucks Executive Director

The commissioners proclaimed October 17 – 23rd, 2021, as "National Teen Driver Safety Week." Steve Noll, Executive Director of TMA Bucks, accepted the proclamation and shared some additional information.

IV. BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENTS – Agenda Items

Chief Operating Officer Margie McKevitt responded to questions posed by Andy Warren, former Commissioner from Middletown Township, on agenda item 5a. Project and Diversity Officer Bernard Griggs responded to Mr. Warren's questions regarding items 7b & c.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

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

A. Approve minutes from the October 6, 2021 regular meeting.

B. Resolutions

1. Area Agency on Aging

- a. With: Bristol Township Senior Citizens Center
Bristol, PA
Amount: \$8,500** (County 0%)
Purpose: Approve contract increase to support senior center services during the pandemic.
7/1/21 – 6/30/22
- b. With: Bucks County Drug and Alcohol Commission, Inc.
Doylestown, PA
Amount: \$70,000 (Revenue)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide drug take-back, gambling prevention and medication education programs.
7/1/21 – 6/30/23
- c. With: Fairmount Ventures, Inc.
Philadelphia, PA
Amount:
Purpose: Approve contract extension to provide consulting services.
1/1/22 – 6/30/22

2. BH/DP

- a. With: Copeland Center
Brattleboro, VT
Amount: \$10,595** (County 3.9%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide Peer Support Refresher training.
10/6/21 – 11/12/21

3. Children & Youth

- a. With: Bucks County Opportunity Council
Doylestown, PA
Amount: \$177,500** (County 11%)

Purpose: Approve contract to provide bridge and transitional housing services.
7/1/21 – 6/30/22

- b. With: Bucks County Opportunity Council
Doylestown, PA
Amount: \$120,937** (County 20%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide case management and financial assistance services.
7/1/21 – 6/30/22
- c. With: Christ's Home for Children
Warminster, PA
Amount:
Purpose: Approve contract extension to provide family visitation coaching program.
7/1/21 – 9/30/21
- d. With: Info-Matrix Corporation
Camp Hill, PA
Amount: \$523,637** (County 34%)
Purpose: Approve contract increase and extension to provide information technology services for Automated Children and Youth System Database.
7/1/21 – 6/30/22
- e. With: Lyft, Inc.
San Francisco, CA
Amount: \$35,000** (County 20%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide transportation for parents to court ordered visits with their children.
1/1/21 – 12/31/21

4. Corrections

- a. With: Bucks County Drug & Alcohol Commission
Doylestown, PA
Amount: \$10,000** (County 100%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide court ordered drug and alcohol assessments and treatment placements.

10/21/21 – 10/20/22

- b. With: VITA Education Services
 Doylestown, PA
 Amount: \$6,888** (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve contract increase to provide various workshops
 and programs at the correctional facilities.
 1/1/21 – 12/31/21

5. Emergency Health Services

- a. With: Aardvark Event Logistics, Inc.
 Conshohocken, PA
 Amount: \$608,520 (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve lease of two mobile COVID-19 testing vehicles.
 (Subject to final approval by county solicitor)
 11/1/21 – 7/31/22

- b. With: Bureau of Emergency Medical Services
 Harrisburg, PA
 Amount: \$50,093.92 (Revenue)
 Purpose: Approve increase for County Emergency Medical
 Services grant.
 7/1/21 – 6/30/22

6. Finance

- a. With: Gerber Life Insurance Co. c/o CCAP (County
 Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania)
 Harrisburg, PA
 Amount: \$5,067.50 (County 100%)
 Purpose: Approve accident insurance premium for court referred
 alternative sentencing and community volunteers.
 10/1/21 – 10/1/22

7. General Services

- a. With: Eastern Highway Specialists, Inc.
 Wilmington, DE
 Amount: \$40,271.51** (County 100%)

Purpose: Approve contract increase for the rehabilitation of Bridge #49 on Byers Road over Beaver Creek in Nockamixon Township.

b. With: TE Construction Services, LLC
Warminster, PA
Amount: \$22,839.20 (County 0%)
Purpose: Approve general construction contract increase to add fire alarm system for the Bristol Education Center at Humphrey's Park project.
Change Order #3

c. With: TE Construction Services, LLC
Warminster, PA
Amount: \$5,469 (County 0%)
Purpose: Approve general construction contract increase for improvements at the Bristol Education Center at Humphrey's Park project.
Change Order #4

8. Housing & Community Development

a. With: Bucks County Housing Group
Warminster, PA
Amount: \$25,000 (County 0%)
Purpose: Approve contract for PHFA Home4Good funding to assist individuals experiencing or at-risk of homelessness who have medical impairments apply for Social Security disability benefits, needed due to COVID-19 pandemic.
7/1/21 – 12/31/21

b. With: Family Service Association of Bucks County
Langhorne, PA
Amount:
Purpose: Approve contract extension for PHFA Home4Good funding for Rapid Exit assistance.
10/16/21 – 12/31/21

9. Human Services

- a. With: Bucks County Area Agency on Aging
 Doylestown, PA
 Amount: \$95,000** (County 3.9%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide personal care and adult day
 services.
 7/1/21 – 6/30/22
- b. With: Bucks County Opportunity Council, Inc.
 Doylestown, PA
 Amount: \$198,842** (County 3.9%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide rental assistance to
 financially needy individuals or families.
 7/1/21 – 6/30/22
- c. With: Bucks County Opportunity Council, Inc.
 Doylestown, PA
 Amount: \$70,693** (County 3.9%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide service planning and case
 management services for families.
 7/1/21 – 6/30/22
- d. With: Bucks County Opportunity Council, Inc.
 Doylestown, PA
 Amount: \$48,300** (County 3.9%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide homeless assistance case
 management services.
 7/1/21 – 6/30/22
- e. With: Worthwhile Wear
 Silverdale, PA
 Amount: \$12,500** (County 3.9%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide protective services for
 women.
 7/1/21 – 6/30/22

10. Information Technology

- a. With: CoreBTS
 Indianapolis, IN

Amount:
Purpose: Approve contract amendment to include new headset model and licenses, needed due to COVID-19 pandemic.

- b. With: Dell Marketing L.P.
Round Rock, TX
Amount: \$600,000* (County % varies based on source of department funding)
Purpose: Approve contract extension to purchase computer hardware for various county departments.
11/10/21 – 11/10/22

11. Neshaminy Manor

- a. With: Affinity Health Services, Inc.
Indiana, PA
Amount: \$96,000**/year (County 0%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide consulting services.
11/1/21 – 10/31/26

12. Purchasing

- a. With: Akita Pest Control
King of Prussia, PA
Amount: \$4,800* (County 100%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide pest control services for 4 locations.
11/1/21 – 10/31/23
- b. With: Alem Commercial Cleaning, LLC
Horsham, PA
Amount: \$587.82* (County 0%)
Purpose: Approve contract increase to add janitorial services for the Jamison Giant COVID-19 clinic location.
11/1/21 – 12/31/21
- c. With: Bob Barker Company, Inc.
Fuquay Varina, NC
Amount: \$2,441.85* (County 50%)
Purpose: Approve contract to provide bedding and linen supplies.

11/1/21 – 10/31/24

- d. With: J.P. Pest Services, Inc.
 Bristol, PA
 Amount: \$10,680* (County 100%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide pest control services for 21
 locations.
 11/1/21 – 10/31/23
- e. With: Marina Textiles, Inc.
 Duluth, GA
 Amount: \$134,679.71* (County 43%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide bedding and linen supplies.
 11/1/21 – 10/31/24
- f. With: Professional Cleaning Services
 Mullica Hill, NJ
 Amount: \$11,284.02* (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve contract increase to add janitorial services for
 the Bucks County Children & Youth Family House in
 Langhorne.
 11/1/21 – 5/31/23
- g. With: Standard Textile Company, Inc.
 Cincinnati, OH
 Amount: \$11,342.28* (County 12%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide bedding and linen supplies.
 11/1/21 – 10/31/24
- h. With: Tabb Textiles Co., Inc.
 Opelika, AL
 Amount: \$30,631.50* (County 64%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide bedding and linen supplies.
 11/1/21 – 10/31/24
- i. With: Universal Pest Services, Inc.
 Wynnwood, PA
 Amount: \$19,560* (County 33%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide pest control services for 6

locations.
11/1/21 – 10/31/23

- j. With: Victory Supply Inc.
 Mount Pleasant, TN
 Amount: \$38,250* (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide bedding and linen supplies.
 11/1/21 – 10/31/24

13. Workforce & Economic Development

- a. With: Bucks County Community College
 Newtown, PA
 Amount: \$19,500** (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve contract increase to provide industrial, medical,
 information technology, and office skills training for
 Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)
 eligible PA CareerLink® Bucks County clients.
 7/1/21 – 7/31/22

- b. With: Dontech, Inc.
 Doylestown, PA
 Amount: \$2,812.50** (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide Advanced Leadership Series
 training for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act
 (WIOA) eligible PA CareerLink® Bucks County clients.
 7/1/21 – 7/31/22

- c. With: Hart Mechanical and Electrical Contractors, Inc.
 Perkasie, PA
 Amount: \$6,291** (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide Haas service training for
 Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)
 eligible PA CareerLink® Bucks County clients.
 7/1/21 – 7/31/22

- d. With: North Montco Technical Career Center
 Lansdale, PA
 Amount: \$39,000** (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve contract to provide CDL, welding, trades, and
 medical training for Workforce Innovation and

Opportunity Act (WIOA) eligible PA CareerLink® Bucks
County clients.
7/1/21 – 7/31/22

14. Youth Center

- a. With: County of Delaware
 Amount: \$350/day/resident (Revenue)
 Purpose: Approve contract increase due to higher than anticipated
 revenue.
 3/15/21 – 6/30/21

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

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

A. Resolutions

Items 15a, b, & c - Commissioner Harvie shared additional information regarding this latest round of Bucks Back to Work grants for small businesses.

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

15. Workforce & Economic Development

- a. With: Bucks County Economic Development Corporation
 Doylestown, PA
 Amount: \$200/application (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve agreement to review applications and administer
 the Bucks Business Recovery Grant program.
 10/20/21 – 10/19/22

- b. With: Bucks County Industrial Development Authority
 Doylestown, PA
 Amount: \$200/application (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve agreement to review applications and administer
 the Bucks Business Recovery Grant program.
 10/20/21 – 10/19/22

- c. With: The Redevelopment Authority of the County of Bucks
 Bristol, PA
 Amount: \$200/application (County 0%)
 Purpose: Approve agreement to review applications and administer
 the Bucks Business Recovery Grant program.
 10/20/21 – 10/19/22

B. Personnel Actions

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

C. Other Civics

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

16. YWCA of Bucks County \$1,200

VII. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER REPORT

Ms. McKeivitt reported on the following:

The county is in the process of updating the Bucks 2040 Comprehensive Plan. The first meeting to obtain public feedback will be held tonight, October 20th at Quakertown Borough Hall from 7 to 9 pm. This will be livestreamed; see Planning Commission page on the county website.

The Bucks2040 photo contest deadline for submissions has been extended to August 31, 2022. Award announcements will be in September.

The last Household Hazardous Waste Collection will be held on October 30th at 9 am at Strayer Middle School in Quakertown.

A Drug Take-Back Event will be held this Saturday, October 23rd.

A question-and-answer session was recently held for the American Rescue Act funds for Human Services. The application round ends October 29th. Frequently Asked Questions will soon be posted on the website.

The 2022 budget planning has begun. The Finance department has been meeting with individual departments, row offices, and courts to review their submissions.

Chief Clerk Gail Humphrey provided an update on the upcoming November 2nd election, including ballot applications, drop boxes, and poll worker training.

VIII. SOLICITOR REPORT

Solicitor Joe Khan reported on the standing Executive Session held yesterday to discuss personnel matters and pending litigation, which continued online and concluded earlier this morning. Mr. Khan also shared the good news regarding the County's affirmative litigation on behalf of the Retirement Fund, including being named co-lead plaintiff with Delaware County in a securities fraud class-action lawsuit against AdaptHealth Corporation last week and securing, as lead plaintiff in a class-action lawsuit against Endo International, a \$63 million settlement on behalf of all investors who suffered losses.

IX. BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENTS – All Items

Mr. Warren commented on the flow of drugs and crime through the southern borders.

X. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Marseglia invited Register of Wills Linda Bobrin to speak about the upcoming Veteran's Day Expo her office is sponsoring on November 12th. Ms. Bobrin shared some highlights of the program, including free weddings that day for veterans and first responders.

Commissioner Harvie shared his experience with On Demand Voting this morning. He advised that the Board of Elections provides this service at the Lower Bucks Government Services Center in Levittown, the Upper Bucks Government Services Center in Quakertown, and at the Administration Building in Doylestown.

Commissioner DiGirolamo emphasized the importance of the Drug Take-Back Event being held this Saturday at 48 locations throughout the county.

Commissioner DiGirolamo reported that he and Commissioner Harvie testified yesterday at a state government hearing on redistricting. Citing the commissioners' prior resolution in support of a citizen's commission for congressional and state legislative redistricting, he emphasized the commissioners' bi-partisan support of keeping Bucks County as one congressional district.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Commissioner Harvie, 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, November 3, 2021, at 10:30 a.m. in the Bucks County Commissioners' Meeting Room.

Approved: November 3, 2021
BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

(Official copy on file with chief clerk)

BY:

Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia
Commissioner, Chair

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

Gene DiGirolamo
Commissioner

ATTEST:

Gail Humphrey, *Chief
Clerk*