

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

May 5, 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 Treasurer Kris Ballerini led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

Commissioner Marseglia invited those county row officers who were present to introduce themselves. They were Judi Reiss, Prothonotary; Linda Bobrin, Register of Wills; and Kristian Ballerini, Treasurer.

PROCLAMATIONS

The Commissioners proclaimed May 2021 as “Older Americans Month,” recognizing the efforts of the Bucks County Area Agency on Aging in helping to maintain the quality of life that older residents so richly deserve. Kathy Bennett, Director of The Bucks County Area Agency on Aging, thanked the commissioners for the recognition and shared some of the upcoming events scheduled for county seniors.

The Commissioners proclaimed May 15, 2021 to be “Peace Officers Memorial Day” and May 9th – 15th, 2021 to be “National Police Week.” In so doing, the commissioners commend the Bucks County Peace Officers Association and the many law enforcement agencies and organizations throughout the county for putting their lives on the line each day to serve and protect all residents. Accepting the proclamation was Peace Officer Michael Woolley, who reflected on the 119 officers lost this year already and announced the memorial flag raising ceremony scheduled for this Friday in the courtyard.

The Commissioners proclaimed May 2021 as “Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month,” recognizing the many vital contributions of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in the county and celebrating their rich history and cultures. Several distinguished members of the local AAPI community were present to share their unique backgrounds, stories, and perspectives. They included Dr. Umar Farooq of Bensalem, chair of the New Americans Advisory Commission; Mira Nakashima-Yarnall of New Hope, who is an architect, furniture designer, and daughter of George Nakashima; Helen Tai, former Pennsylvania State Representative and Solebury Township Supervisor; and Paresh Birla, from the Governor’s Advisory Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Agenda Items

Andy Warren, former Commissioner from Middletown Township, had questions on several agenda items:

- Kathy Bennett responded to Mr. Warren’s questions regarding the vendor addresses indicated for items 3e, 3l, 3n, 3o, and 3q.
- Chief Financial Officer Dave Boscola responded to Mr. Warren’s question on item 7a regarding the drone/UAV program.
- Mr. Boscola provided a detailed explanation of the proposed budget adjustments in response to Mr. Warren’s inquiry.

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 April 21, 2021 regular meeting
 - B. Resolutions
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| 1. ADULT PROBATION | a. Pennsylvania Commission on Crime & Delinquency Harrisburg, PA | Approve application for Grant-In-Aid funds. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21 | \$920,347 (Revenue) |
| 2. AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION | a. Felix J. Buehner, Jr. and Beatrice M. Buehner Perkasio, PA | Approve county’s portion of a 39.32-acre agricultural conservation easement on the Buehner Farm located on Dublin Pike in Bedminster Township. (TMPs 01-004-003 and 01-004-004) | \$235,920 + settlement charges and adjustments (County 100%) |

3. AREA AGENCY ON AGING	a.	Benjamin H. Wilson Senior Center Warminster, PA	Approve contract increase to support reopening needs and changes in senior center services due to the COVID-19 pandemic. 7/1/20 – 6/30/23	\$11,235** (County 0%)
	b.	Bensalem Senior Citizens Association Bensalem, PA	Approve contract increase to support reopening needs and changes in senior center services due to the COVID-19 pandemic. 7/1/20 – 6/30/23	\$9,700** (County 0%)
	c.	Bristol Borough Area Active Adult Center Bristol, PA	Approve contract increase to support reopening needs and changes in senior center services due to the COVID-19 pandemic. 7/1/20 – 6/30/23	\$11,050** (County 0%)
	d.	Bucks County Association for Retired and Senior Citizens Trevose, PA	Approve contract increase to support reopening needs and changes in senior center services due to the COVID-19 pandemic. 7/1/20 – 6/30/23	\$30,680** (County 0%)
	e.	Circle of Friends ADHC, Inc. Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract to provide adult day services for seniors. 7/1/21 – 6/30/22	\$30,000** (County 0%)
	f.	Comcast Cable Communications Management, LLC Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract increase and extension to provide cable TV services to seniors, needed due to COVID-19 pandemic. 4/3/21 – 12/31/21	\$5,000** (County 0%)
	g.	Council Rock Senior Citizens Association Richboro, PA	Approve contract increase to support reopening needs and changes in senior center services due to the COVID-19 pandemic. 7/1/20 – 6/30/23	\$5,700** (County 0%)
	h.	Eastern Upper Bucks Seniors, Inc. Ottsville, PA	Approve contract increase to support reopening needs and changes in senior center services due to the COVID-19 pandemic. 7/1/20 – 6/30/23	\$1,350** (County 0%)
	i.	Falls Township Senior Citizens, Inc. Fairless Hills, PA	Approve contract increase to support reopening needs and changes in senior center services due to the COVID-19 pandemic. 7/1/20 – 6/30/23	\$6,350** (County 0%)
	j.	Jane Fox-Laquer Doylestown, PA	Approve contract increase and extension to provide services as Contracted Ombudsman. 7/1/21 – 6/30/22	\$33,000** (County 0%)
	k.	Middletown Senior Citizens Association Levittown, PA	Approve contract increase to support reopening needs and changes in senior center services due to the COVID-19 pandemic. 7/1/20 – 6/30/23	\$11,050** (County 0%)
	l.	Montgomery Adult Daily Living Center, Inc. Lansdale, PA	Approve contract to provide adult day services for seniors. 7/1/21 – 6/30/22	\$10,000** (County 0%)
	m.	Morrisville Senior Servicercenter Morrisville, PA	Approve contract increase to support reopening needs and changes in senior center services due to the COVID-19 pandemic. 7/1/20 – 6/30/23	\$6,350** (County 0%)
	n.	New Hope Adult Day Care Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract to provide adult day services for seniors. 7/1/21 – 6/30/22	\$15,000** (County 0%)
	o.	Northeast Adult Day Care, Inc. Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract to provide adult day services for seniors. 7/1/21 – 6/30/22	\$30,000** (County 0%)
	p.	Shanti Gardens LLC d/b/a Shanti Gardens Adult Day Care Levittown, PA	Approve contract to provide adult day services for seniors. 7/1/21 – 6/30/22	\$50,000** (County 0%)

	q.	VNA-Community Services, Inc. Abington, PA	Approve contract to provide in-home services for seniors. 7/1/21 – 6/30/22	\$50,000** (County 0%)
4. CHILDREN & YOUTH	a.	Community Service Foundation Pipersville, PA	Approve contract to provide Family Group Decision Making (FGDM) and other services for children. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$1,900,000** (County 10%)
	b.	Pennsylvania Department of Human Services Harrisburg, PA	Approve grant to develop Plans of Safe Care Support program. 7/1/21 – 6/30/23	\$150,000 (Revenue)
5. COMMISSIONERS	a.		Approve resolution updating signature authority for the Chief Operating Officer regarding letters of intent, grant awards, grant agreements, and releases of claims.	
6. COURTS	a.	Grim, Biehn & Thatcher, P.C. (by Sean M. Gresh, Esquire) Perkasie, PA	Approve termination of contract with law firm for mental health review officer to act as hearing officer for petitions filed in Bucks County Court under the Mental Health and Retardation Act. 1/1/21 – 4/30/21	(\$35,793.84)
	b.	Sean M. Gresh, Esquire Langhorne, PA	Approve contract with attorney for mental health review officer to act as hearing officer for petitions filed in Bucks County Court under the Mental Health and Retardation Act. 5/1/21 – 12/31/21	\$35,793.84** (County 100%)
7. FINANCE	a.	KMRD Partners, Inc Warrington, PA	Approve contract for insurance coverage for the Drone/UAV program. 5/3/21 – 5/2/22	\$12,495 (County 100%)
8. GENERAL SERVICES	a.	AI Engineers, Inc. Exton, PA	Approve contract to provide engineering design services for the rehabilitation of Bridge #226 on Stouts Valley Road over Cooks Creek in Durham Township 5/5/21 - Completion	\$80,003** (County 100%)
	b.	James B. and Amanda K. Landis Perkasie, PA	Approve Temporary Construction Easement and Agreement of Sale for a Right-of-Way Acquisition for reconstruction of Bridge #279 on West Rock Road over Threemile Run in East Rockhill Township, in lieu of condemnation. Also, authorize General Services Director of Operations to sign the Settlement Statement on behalf of the County.	\$2,507.50 (County 100%)
	c.	McCormick Taylor Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract to provide engineering design services for the replacement of Bridge #42 on Schwenk Mill Road over Morris Run in Hilltown Township. 5/5/21 - Completion	\$179,423.13** (County 100%)
	d.	McCormick Taylor Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract to provide engineering design services for the rehabilitation of Bridge #359 on Butter Creek Road over Butter Creek in West Rockhill Township. 5/5/21 - Completion	\$72,614.75** (County 100%)
	e.	Pennsylvania Department of Transportation King of Prussia, PA	Approve easement for PennDot to install a sidewalk in Middletown Township. (TMP 22-059-026)	\$2,300 (Revenue)
	f.	Pickering, Corts & Summerson, Inc. Newtown, PA	Approve contract increase for Bridge Project Specific Agreement #L0030, for environmental studies, preliminary engineering, final design, ROW acquisition services, and construction consultation for the replacement of Bridge #54 on King Road over Herkaken Creek in New Britain Township.	\$36,774.96 (County 0%)

	g.	Remington & Vernick Engineers Conshohocken, PA	Approve contract to provide engineering design services for the replacement of Bridge #35 on Mill Pond Road over Swamp Creek in Milford Township. 5/5/21 - Completion	\$259,302** (County 100%)
	h.	Road-Con, Inc. West Chester, PA	Approve contract decrease for the rehabilitation of Bridge #172 on Old Carversville Road over Paunacussing Creek in Solebury Township.	(\$8,056.30)
	i.	TE Construction Services, LLC Warminster, PA	Approve general construction contract for the Bristol Education Center at Humphrey's Park project. (Subject to final approval by county solicitor)	\$290,464 (County 0%)
9. HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	a.	Bucks County Housing Group Warminster, PA	Approve contract to provide housing stability services through the Bucks Emergency Rental Assistance (BERA) program, for households impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.	\$44,328 (County 0%)
	b.	Bucks County Opportunity Council Doylestown, PA	Approve contract to provide housing stability services through the Bucks Emergency Rental Assistance (BERA) program, for households impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.	\$43,569 (County 0%)
	c.	Family Service Association Langhorne, PA	Approve contract extension for 2019 Pennsylvania Housing Affordability and Rehabilitation Enhancement (PHARE) funding for Housing Link Call Center staff, Shelter Case Management and Document Ready Assistance/Employment Supports. 3/19/21 – 6/30/21	
	d.	Penndel Mental Health Center, Inc. Langhorne, PA	Approve contract increase for 2020 CDBG funding for exterior renovations of 1517 Durham Road facility. 9/1/20 – 8/31/21	\$14,762 (County 0%)
	e.	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Philadelphia, PA	Approve submission of 2021 Annual Action Plan and acceptance of grant award for CDBG, ESG, and HOME funding. 7/1/21 – 6/30/22	\$3,608,402 (Revenue)
	f.	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Philadelphia, PA	Approve amendment to the 2019 Annual Action Plan to add and revise projects needed to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.	
	g.	YWCA Bucks County Trevose, PA	Approve contract termination to limit duplicative benefits and allow for services to be continued using Bucks Emergency Rental Assistance (BERA) funds. 1/1/21 – 5/5/21	(\$267,572.10)
	h.	YWCA Bucks County Trevose, PA	Approve contract to provide housing stability services through the Bucks Emergency Rental Assistance (BERA) program, for households impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. 3/1/21 – 9/30/21	\$125,650 (County 0%)
10. HUMAN RESOURCES	a.	Nicole Grous Quakertown, PA	Approve settlement of Workers' Compensation claim.	\$40,000 (County 100%)
	b.	George K. Petruska, DC Pennsburg, PA	Approve settlement of Workers' Compensation claim for Nicole Grous.	\$770** (County 100%)
	c.	Wolf, Baldwin & Associates, PC Pottstown, PA	Approve settlement of Workers' Compensation claim for Nicole Grous.	\$16,982.80 (County 100%)
11. NESHAMINY MANOR	a.	American Data Sauk City, WI	Approve contract amendment to add services to electronic charting system. 1/1/21 – 6/30/21	

	b.	American Health Care Services, Inc. Bristol, PA	Approve contract extension to purchase liquid nutritional supplements. 8/1/21 – 7/31/22	
	c.	CM3 Building Solutions Inc. Fort Washington, PA	Approve contract to provide access control equipment and installation. NTP – Completion	\$22,999 (County 0%)
	d.	Concordance Healthcare Solutions New Rochelle, NY	Approve contract increase and extension to purchase liquid nutritional supplements. 8/1/21 – 7/31/22	\$6,000* (County 0%)
12. PARKS & RECREATION	a.	Lawn and Golf Supply, Co., Inc. Phoenixville, PA	Approve contract to purchase golf course equipment.	\$43,106.40 (County 100%)
13. PURCHASING	a.	Alem Commercial Cleaning, LLC Horsham, PA	Approve contract to provide janitorial services for 8 locations. 6/1/21 – 5/31/23	\$68,963.15* (County 100%)
	b.	CNS Acquisition Corp. Bensalem, PA	Approve contract to provide janitorial services for 14 locations. 6/1/21 – 5/31/23	\$340,248.48* (County 70%)
	c.	Petroleum Traders Corporation Fort Wayne, IN	Approve contract increase and extension to provide heating oil, diesel fuel and gasoline. 7/1/21 – 6/30/22	\$451,291.09* (County 98.8%)
	d.	Professional Cleaning Services Mullica Hill, NJ	Approve contract to provide janitorial services for 8 locations. 6/1/21 – 5/31/23	\$59,868.83* (County 87%)
	e.	True Cleaners, LLC Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract to provide janitorial services for the Government Service Center in Levittown. 6/1/21 – 5/31/23	\$31,200* (County 100%)

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

REGULAR AGENDA

Item 14a – Rich Brahler, Director of Transportation Planning, spoke about the need for improved public transportation in the Quakertown area and the grant they obtained to commission this feasibility study.

Item 15a – Chief Operating Officer Margie McKeivitt provided additional information on this grant program targeted to help the hospitality industry. She reported that 197 entities were selected to receive grants ranging from \$5,000 to \$50,000 each.

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.

14. PLANNING COMMISSION	a.	McMahon Associates Fort Washington, PA	Approve contract to complete the Upper Bucks County Transportation Feasibility Study. 5/5/21 – 6/30/22	\$59,920 (County 0%)
15. WORKFORCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	a.		Approve final list of recipients and disbursement of COVID-19 Hospitality Industry Recovery Program (CHIRP) grant funds. (Subject to final approval by county solicitor)	\$7,000,000 (County 0%)

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BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

David Boscola, Chief Financial Officer, provided additional clarification on the proposed budget adjustment.

2020 BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

Agenda Description

May 5, 2021

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS - Adjust Operating Budget for additional transfers

Adjustment	Department	Amount
Adjustment #46	General Fund (Revenue)	2,080,800
	General Fund (Transfers)	(2,080,800)
	General Fund (Transfers)	16,000,000
	Miscellaneous Capital Projects Fund (Transfers)	(16,000,000)
	Miscellaneous Capital Projects Fund (Transfers)	2,080,800
	Miscellaneous Capital Projects Fund	13,919,200
Total Adjustment to General Fund Balance		(16,000,000)

Upon motion of Commissioner Harvie, seconded by Commissioner DiGirolamo, with the vote being 3-0, this Budget Adjustment was approved.

PERSONNEL

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

COMMISSIONERS LIST May 5, 2021								
As recommended by the Department of Human Resources								
Item numbers 1 through 46								
APPOINTMENTS								
	REQUISITION #	NEW HIRE NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION
1	4555	Bijil Abraham	Registered Nurse	NM Registered Nurses	06	40.0	5/11/2021	30.99 PH
2	4588	Graham Bradley	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	00	40.0	4/28/2021	8.25 PH
3	4609	John Capiста	GIS Analyst	Planning Administrative	46	40.0	5/24/2021	28.90 PH
4	4656	Daniel S. Cook	Technical Intern - PD	Information Technology	00	40.0	5/17/2021	10.00 PH
5	4590	Nancy Cox	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	00	40.0	5/6/2021	11.50 PH
6	4628	Kimberly E. Dicken	Administrative Assistant-5	Emergency Medical Health	03	40.0	5/17/2021	24.02 PH
7	4559	Kedma Jean	Nursing Assistant	NM Nursing Assistants	03	40.0	5/11/2021	20.78 PH
8	4588	Calvin R. Lederer	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	00	40.0	5/6/2021	8.25 PH
9	4589	Justin T. Lewis	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	00	40.0	5/8/2021	15.00 PH
10	4656	Matthew Lynn	Technical Intern - PD	Information Technology	00	40.0	5/17/2021	10.00 PH
11	4559	Mona Orientil	Nursing Assistant	NM Nursing Assistants	03	40.0	5/11/2021	20.78 PH
12	4656	Arth Patel	Technical Intern - PD	Information Technology	00	40.0	5/17/2021	10.00 PH
13	4559	Ricardo Pierre	Nursing Assistant	NM Nursing Assistants	03	40.0	5/11/2021	20.78 PH
14	4655	Alfonso Powers	Peace Officer	Security	08	40.0	5/24/2021	23.69 PH
15	4588	Evan R. Sparadlin	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	00	40.0	5/6/2021	8.25 PH
16	4559	Guerline Templier Dorvil	Nursing Assistant	NM Nursing Assistants	03	40.0	5/11/2021	20.78 PH

PER DIEM TO PERMANENT								
	REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION
17	4559	Ancy Jins	Nursing Assistant - Pool TO Nursing Assistant	NM Nursing Pool TO NM Nursing Assistants	30 TO 03	14.0 TO 40.0	5/8/2021	21.85 PH TO 20.78 PH
18	4559	Tisha M. Truesdale	Nursing Assistant - PD TO Nursing Assistant	NM Nursing Assistants	03	24.0 TO 40.0	5/8/2021	20.37 PH TO 20.78 PH

POSITION CHANGE								
	REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION
19	N/A	Andrew C. Amoroso	Records Officer TO Sergeant Corrections	Main Jail	01 TO 81	40.0	5/8/2021	30.81 PH TO 31.76 PH
20	N/A	Jake R. Eskolsky	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	00	40.0	5/1/2021	8.94 PH TO 10.75 PH
21	N/A	Sean P. Hordijenko	Records Officer TO Sergeant Corrections	Main Jail	01 TO 81	40.0	5/8/2021	28.79 PH TO 31.76 PH
22	4658	Janet Nguyen	Caseworker TO Clerk Typist II	Children and Youth	04	37.5	5/10/2021	30.63 PH TO 22.22 PH

TRANSFER								
	REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION
23	N/A	Peggy A. Sarabia	Laundry Aide TO Nursing Assistant	NMH Laundry Services TO NM Nursing Assistants	02 TO 03	40.0	5/8/2021	22.16 PH TO 20.78 PH
24	N/A	Megan D. Tidwell	Law Clerk II TO Assistant Public Defender	Main Courts TO Public Defender	96 TO 00	40.0	5/24/2021	57,397.00 PA TO 58,000.00 PA

SALARY ADJUSTMENT								
	REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION
25	N/A	Stefanie D. Bodman	Project Manager, Homeless Services	Housing & Community Development	00	40.0	7/3/2021	73,440.00 PA TO 75,000.00 PA
26	N/A	Jessica M. Johnson	Program Manager, Community Development	Housing & Community Development	00	40.0	5/22/2021	70,890.00 PA TO 75,000.00 PA

SEPARATION							
	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	EFFECTIVE DATE		COMPENSATION	
27	Donna M. Boucher	Nursing Assistant	NM Nursing Assistants	4/22/2021		21.20 PH	
28	Betty I. Cheeran	Nursing Assistant - Pool	NM Nursing Pool	4/28/2021		22.29 PH	
29	Jeffrey R. Douglas	Caseworker	Children and Youth	4/30/2021		25.36 PH	
30	William R. Ferris	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	4/1/2021		9.18 PH	
31	Nakesha S. Latham	L P N	NM Licensed Practical Nurses	4/9/2021		29.31 PH	
32	Claudine Mitchell	Registered Nurse - Pool	NM Nursing Pool	4/12/2021		40.05 PH	
33	Megan E. Paolino	Social Worker I	Children and Youth	5/19/2021		36.18 PH	
34	Taria S. Redding	Nursing Assistant	NM Nursing Assistants	4/12/2021		21.20 PH	
35	Arielle M. Romanowski	L P N - Pool	NM Nursing Pool	4/12/2021		30.30 PH	
36	William R. Rushwick	Trades Level I - NMH	NMH Operations and Maintenance	5/5/2021		32.21 PH	
37	Teone O. Sherrod-Hundley	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	4/1/2021		8.42 PH	
38	Vincent Sykes	Corrections Officer	Main Jail	4/25/2021		25.68 PH	
39	Timothy L. Winton	Corrections Officer	Main Jail	6/7/2021		28.79 PH	
*Estimated Date		**Never Started	***Agreement		****Reinstatement		

CORRECTION								
	REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION
40	N/A	David L. Kratz	Deputy Director of Corrections	Main Jail	00 TO 11	40.0	4/24/2021	107,702.00 PA
41	N/A	Carl H. Metellus	Deputy Warden Security TO Deputy Superintendent I - Security	Main Jail	00	40.0	4/24/2021	92,749.00 PA
42	N/A	Eric J. Reinbott	Director of Finance and Administration	Main Jail	00 TO 11	40.0	4/24/2021	85,680.00 PA
43	4599	Jared B. Rice	Nursing Assistant TO Restorative Aide	NM Nursing Assistants	03	40.0	4/24/2021	20.78 PH TO 21.20 PH
44	N/A	Lizabeth A. Zehner	Museum Assistant Clerk Steno-Permit Clerk	Parks Historical Properties TO Parks Recreation Services	03	30.0 TO 35.0	3/1/2021 TO 3/27/2021	21.20 PH

SEPARATION								
	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	EFFECTIVE DATE		COMPENSATION		
45	Shannon M. Bonner	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	1/22/2021 TO 4/1/2021		9.55 PH		
46	Carol S. Keyser	Aging Care Manager	Area Agency on Aging	5/31/2021 TO 6/1/2021		34.78 PH		

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

None

OTHER CIVICS

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

BC Heroes Scholarship Fund	\$2,000
GOAL	\$2,000
Pearl Buck Foundation	\$20,000
Snipes Farm and Education Center	\$2,000
Woods Services (2021 Virtual Run for Woods)	\$2,500

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

Bristol Riverside Theater	\$30,000
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CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER REPORT

Margie McKevitt, Chief Operating Officer, reported on the following:

COVID Vaccine Update

- All county vaccine centers are still open and now accepting walk-in appointments. The three community colleges as well as the Neshaminy Mall site have the Pfizer vaccine, and the Warwick Square site in Jamison has both Pfizer and Johnson & Johnson vaccines.
- Anyone needing transportation to get their vaccine can contact Bucks County Transport. They will provide transportation to and from any vaccination site in the county, not just county sponsored sites.
- Anyone who is homebound can call the Health Department to arrange for an at-home vaccination.

New SEPTA Route – Mr. Brahler presented information on the SEPTA Owl Link, a new night-time transit service designed to provide transportation between Lower Bucks and Philadelphia during off hours. Mr. Brahler emphasized that this is an on-demand service that can be accessed through their app or by calling to set up a ride. Starting on Monday, May 10th, the Owl Link will operate 7 days a week, 365 days a year, from 10:30 pm through 6:00 am.

Nurses Appreciation Week – Tomorrow, May 6th begins Nurses Appreciation Week. Ms. McKevitt expressed appreciation to all nurses, especially to those working at Neshaminy Manor and the prison, as they have gone the extra mile this past year during the Coronavirus pandemic.

SOLICITOR REPORT

Solicitor Joe Khan thanked the commissioners for sending a message against the recent rise of anti-Asian American hate across the country by recognizing Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month. Serving along with Mr. Birla on the Governor’s Advisory Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs, Mr. Khan shared some of the common concerns expressed by members of the group. He thanked the commissioners for being welcoming and inclusive to the community at large, and for their efforts in developing the county workforce to make everyone feel seen and appreciated

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Reflecting on the earlier proclamation for Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, Commissioner DiGirolamo shared a story about when he and his wife adopted their two daughters from Korea. He spoke about the hatred aimed at Asian American and Pacific Islanders, and emphasized that Bucks County is no place for hate, racism, or injustices of any kind.

Commissioner Harvie spoke about the recent passing of county resident and Vietnam veteran Jesse Hill, and his lifetime of work fighting for other Vietnam veterans and their causes. Mr. Hill co-founded the Delaware Valley Vietnam Veterans organization which, for the past 40 years, has held a flag ceremony in which an American flag is placed for every person who died in Vietnam, as well as flags for prisoners of war. The commissioner urged anyone interested in volunteering with this event to reach out to the organization.

Reflecting on Ms. Nakashima’s story, Commissioner Harvie spoke about the varying experiences of different immigrant groups throughout history. He said he is proud of the work they are doing here in the county and he encouraged everyone to think about how they treat people.

Commissioner Harvie extended a Happy Mother’s Day to all.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

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, May 19, 2021, at 10:30 a.m. in the Bucks County Commissioners’ Meeting Room.

Approved: May 19, 2021

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BY:

Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia	Robert J. Harvie, Jr.	Gene DiGirolamo
<i>Commissioner, Chair</i>	<i>Commissioner, Vice-Chair</i>	<i>Commissioner</i>

ATTEST:

Gail Humphrey, *Chief Clerk*