

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

May 1, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners was held today at 10:00 am at Lincoln Properties, 225 Lincoln Highway, Fairless Hills, Pennsylvania. In attendance were Commissioner Robert G. Loughery, Chairman; Commissioner Charles H. Martin, Vice Chairman; and Commissioner Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia. Chairman Loughery opened the meeting with a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman Loughery welcomed everyone and spoke briefly about 225 Lincoln Properties. He advised that General Manager Bill Koelewyn wasn't able to be there and said he was grateful to him for hosting the meeting there.

PROCLAMATIONS

The Commissioners proclaimed May 2019 as "Older Americans Month," urging all residents to acknowledge older adults as influential and vital parts of the community, and recognizing the efforts of the Bucks County Area Agency on Aging. Director Kathy Bennett accepted the proclamation and thanked the Commissioners for the recognition. She introduced council members Rich Newman, Mike Bannon, and Deputy Director Bill McTigue, and spoke about those who volunteer for the agency, over 450 of them, who contribute \$1.5 million worth of volunteer services to the County.

The Commissioners proclaimed May 5 through 11, 2019 as "National Travel and Tourism Week," and extended their appreciation to the staff and board of directors of Visit Bucks County. Commissioner Martin introduced retiring President and Chief Operating Officer of Visit Bucks County, Jerry Lepping, and his successor, current Vice President, Paul Bencivengo. Mr. Lepping thanked each of the Commissioners and said it has been a joy working with them. He spoke about the success of Visit Bucks County and highlighted its economic impact to the area, referencing Bucks County Restaurant Week and the very successful grant program.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Agenda Items

None

OLD BUSINESS

Upon motion of Commissioner Marseglia, seconded by Commissioner Martin, with the vote being 3-0 the minutes for the regular meeting of April 17, 2019 were approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Loughery summarized the agenda, providing clarification and addressing questions and comments.

Item 1a – Rich Harvey, Director of the Agricultural Land Preservation Program, presented information on the County's portion of a 41.42 acre agricultural conservation easement on the Stepanoff Farm in Haycock Township. This is the 9th farm preserved in Haycock Township and the 221st farm preserved in the program to date, bringing the total acreage to 17,447.

RESOLUTIONS

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

	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>WITH</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1.	AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION	a. Paul and Jocelyn Stepanoff Quakertown, PA	Approve county's portion (40%) of a 41.42 acre agricultural conservation easement on the Stepanoff farm located on Creamery Road in Haycock Township. (TMPs 14-002-027, 14-002-001, and 14-002-027-002)	\$140,828 + settlement charges and adjustments (County 100%)
2.	AREA AGENCY ON AGING	a. Dacha Corporation Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract increase and extension to provide adult day services for seniors. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	\$75,000** (County 0%)
		b. Associates Home Care, Inc. Bensalem, PA	Approve contract increase and extension to provide in-home services for seniors. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	\$100,000** (County 0%)

	c.	Expert Home Care, Inc. Feasterville, PA	Approve contract increase and extension to provide in-home services for seniors. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	\$140,000** (County 0%)	
	d.	Family Caregivers Network, Inc. Pennsburg, PA	Approve contract increase and extension to provide in-home services for seniors. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	\$50,000** (County 0%)	
	e.	Penn Asian Senior Services, Inc. Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract increase and extension to provide in-home services for seniors. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	\$20,000** (County 0%)	
3.	CHILDREN & YOUTH	a.	Access Services Fort Washington, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide specialized foster care services for children with special needs. 7/1/18 – 6/30/20	\$852,000** (County 11%)
		b.	Bethany Children’s Home Womelsdorf, PA	Approve contract renewal for residential, independent living, and shelter services. 7/1/18 – 6/30/19	\$330,500** (County 17%)
		c.	Child & Family Focus Valley Forge, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide foster care services. 7/1/18 – 6/30/20	\$124,000** (County 13%)
		d.	CHOR Youth and Family Services, Inc. Reading, PA	Approve contract to provide foster care services. 7/1/18 – 6/30/19	\$20,000** (County 20%)
4.	COMMISSIONERS	a.	Bucks County Industrial Development Authority Doylestown, PA	Approve resolution authorizing a Certificate of Approval for an issuance of bonds not to exceed \$7,500,000 pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, for Abington Reldan Realty, LP in Falls Township.	
5.	CORRECTIONS	a.	Matthew Hopkins Telford, PA	Approve contract for chaplain to provide services. 4/18/19 – 12/31/19	\$3,600** (County 0%)
		b.	Sonia Horwitz Newtown, PA	Approve contract to provide drug and alcohol intervention services to inmates. 5/1/19 – 6/30/19	\$7,605** (County 0%)
6.	EMERGENCY HEALTH SERVICES	a.	Image Trend, Inc. Lakeville, MN	Approve contract renewal to provide technical support and upgrades to the patient data collection system. 5/1/19 – 4/30/20	\$45,020.35 (County 0%)
7.	FINANCE	a.	Keystone Recreation, Park and Conservation Fund Grant Program for Public Libraries Harrisburg, PA	Approve designation of the Levittown Branch of the Bucks County Free Library to serve undisturbed as a public library for 50 years or the useful life of the project, whichever is shorter.	
		b.	KMRD Partners, Inc Warrington, PA	Approve contract renewal for insurance coverage for the Drone/UAV program. 5/3/19 – 5/2/20	\$12,495 (County 100%)
		c.	KMRD Partners, Inc. Warrington, PA	Approve audit premium for Excess Workers Compensation Insurance policy. 2/1/18 – 2/1/19	\$8,670 (County 100%)
		d.	KMRD Partners, Inc. Warrington, PA	Approve contract amendment to add Risk Management/Loss Control Support services. 1/1/19 – 8/31/19	\$3,333.33 (County 100%)
8.	GENERAL SERVICES	a.	BFI Waste Services of PA LLC, d/b/a Republic Services Inc. Telford, PA	Approve gap contract for trash and recycling services. 3/1/19 – 5/31/19	\$40,698.13* (County 100%)
9.	HOUSING SERVICES	a.	Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development Harrisburg, PA	Approve application and acceptance of 2019 Emergency Solutions Grant to fund Housing Locator activities, rental and financial assistance, and housing stability case management services. 11/30/19 – 5/30/21	\$184,448 (Revenue)

	b.	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Philadelphia, PA	Approve 2018 Continuum of Care grant agreement for development and implementation of the Strategic Plan to End Homelessness. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$48,343 (Revenue)
10. HUMAN SERVICES	a.	Libertae, Inc. Bensalem, PA	Approve contract amendment to add additional specialized services. 7/1/18 – 6/30/19	
11. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	a.	AVAYA Oklahoma City, OK	Approve contract decrease. 1/15/19 – 1/14/20	(\$631.80)
	b.	Verizon Business Frazer, PA	Approve increase and extension of Business Services Agreement for SONET ring and TLS circuits. 1/1/19 – 12/31/19	\$870,000* (County 100%)
12. LAW LIBRARY	a.	Thomson Reuters – West Carol Stream, IL	Approve contract renewal to provide print materials and subscriptions for Law Library, District Courts, and Main Courts. 6/1/19 – 5/31/22	\$782,700 (County 100%)
13. MH/DP	a.		Approve revision of MH/DP Advisory Board By-Laws.	
	b.	Association for Habilitation and Employment of the Developmentally Disabled, Inc. Jenkintown, PA	Approve contract renewal for supported employment and transportation services. 7/1/18 – 6/30/19	\$90,193** (County 3.9%)
	c.	Delta Community Supports, Inc. Blue Bell, PA	Approve contract amendment to add supported employment services. 7/1/18 – 6/30/19	
	d.	Salisbury Behavioral Health, Inc. Lancaster, PA	Approve contract increase to provide supported living and residential services. 7/1/18 – 6/30/19	\$21,309** (County 3.9%)
14. PARKS & RECREATION	a.	Hoffy Unlimited LLC Horsham, PA	Rescind contract to purchase 8,169 sf easement to complete the Upper Bucks Rail Trail.	(\$3,000)
	b.	Hoffy Unlimited LLC Horsham, PA	Approve purchase of 8,169 sf easement, in lieu of condemnation, in order to complete the Upper Bucks Rail Trail in Richland and Springfield Townships. (TMP 36-009-126)	\$7,500 + settlement charges and adjustments (County 100%)
15. OTHER CIVICS	a.	American Red Cross Craven Hall Historical Society	Approve Payment	\$1,000 \$750

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

AND the proper officers are authorized to execute all documents necessary to carry this Resolution into effect.

OTHER CIVICS

Commissioner Marseglia said this contribution to the American Red Cross is for the Heroes Breakfast. She noted that retired county employee George Meissler, Jr. is receiving a hero's award at this year's breakfast.

Regarding the Craven Hall Historical Society contribution, Commissioner Martin reported that they are expanding the John Fitch Museum.

Commissioner Loughery motioned to approve the above Other Civics contributions, this was seconded by Commissioner Marseglia, and passed with a vote of 3-0.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

None

PERSONNEL

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

COMMISSIONERS LIST								
May 1, 2019								
As recommended by the Department of Human Resources								
Item numbers 1 through 28								
APPOINTMENTS								
REQUISITION #	NEW HIRE NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION	
1	4081	Jean Claude Baucicot	L.P.N	NM Nursing Pool	31	14.0	5/14/2019	30.30 PH
2	4023	Scott Cooper	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	00	40.0	4/27/2019	8.25 PH
3	4078	Timothy J. Hayes	Food Service Attendant - PD	NM Dietary Services	03	12.0	5/6/2019	12.75 PH
4	4073	Susan M. Iseman	Registered Nurse	NM Registered Nurses	06	40.0	5/14/2019	32.49 PH
5	4076	Siobhan Jones	Nursing Assistant - PD	NM Nursing Assistants	03	24.0	5/14/2019	20.37 PH
6	4024	Evan P. Kelly	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	00	40.0	5/11/2019	9.18 PH
7	4023	Matthew C. Koonce	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	00	40.0	4/27/2019	8.25 PH
8	4076	Madelen A. Kropp	Nursing Assistant - PD	NM Nursing Assistants	03	24.0	5/14/2019	20.37 PH
9	4023	Elijah K. Landsmark	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	00	40.0	5/2/2019	8.37 PH
10	4077	Maliika Merritt	Nursing Assistant	NM Nursing Pool	30	14.0	5/14/2019	21.42 PH
11	4081	Andrea M. Moore	L.P.N	NM Nursing Pool	31	14.0	5/14/2019	30.30 PH
12	4023	Jeffrey Sawyer	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	00	40.0	4/27/2019	8.25 PH
13	4023	William Sawyer	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	00	40.0	4/27/2019	8.25 PH
14	4051	Dawn Smith	CYF Program Specialist I	Children and Youth	84	37.5	5/6/2019	29.87 PH
15	4076	Rashanda Waiters	Nursing Assistant - PD	NM Nursing Assistants	03	24.0	5/14/2019	20.37 PH
POSITION CHANGE								
REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION	
16	N/A	Bridget J. Brenner	Corrections Officer TO Correctional Case Manager	Main Jail	01	40.0	5/6/2019	25.18 PH TO 28.14 PH
17	N/A	Luke E. DeFazio	Seasonal Help - PD	Parks Recreation Services	00	40.0	5/2/2019	8.59 PH TO 10.75 PH
18	N/A	Josephine A. Dimairo-Cleary	Correctional Case Manager TO Corrections Officer	Main Jail	01	40.0	5/4/2019	31.20 PH TO 28.23 PH
19	4032	Rosemary K. Roehner	Human Resources Manager TO Assistant Human Resources Director	Human Resources	00	40.0	5/2/2019	57,836.00 PA TO 65,000.00 PA 11/2/2019 66,950.00 PA
SEPARATION								
NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	EFFECTIVE DATE		REMARKS			
20	Robert D. Burkart	Lieutenant Corrections	Main Jail	5/31/2019	Separation			
21	Emad G. Gergies	Food Service Attendant - PD	NM Dietary Services	4/24/2019	Separation			
22	Lorraine L. Horvath	Aging Case Aide	Area Agency on Aging	6/7/2019	Separation			
23	Gerald V. Langston	Project Officer	Emergency Management Agency	5/3/2019	Separation			
24	Joseph Lynch	Assistant Fire Marshal	Fire Marshal	5/3/2019	Separation			
25	Caleb C. Messinger	Corrections Officer	Main Jail	4/16/2019	Separation			
26	Richardeen Stokes	Nursing Assistant	NM Nursing Assistants	4/23/2019	Separation			
27	Aimee L. Townsend	Food Service Attendant-PD	NM Dietary Services	4/22/2019	Separation			
28	Lorene J. Yannuzzi	Receptionist - PD	NM Business Office	4/19/2019	Separation			

*Estimated Date **Never Started ***Agreement ****Reinstatement

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

None

CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER REPORT

Brian Hessenthaler, Chief Operating Officer, reported on the following:

The semi-annual drug take back event was held this past Saturday and was another huge success. The County collected over 10,000 pounds of medications, which is about equal to the combined totals of Montgomery, Philadelphia, Delaware & Chester. To date, Bucks County has collected in excess of 120,000 pounds of unused, expired, and unwanted prescription and over-the-counter medications. Great job to all agencies involved.

May 21st is Primary Election Day. The deadline to register for regular voting has passed but there are still two important deadlines for absentee ballots. Applications for absentee ballots must be received by 5:00 pm on May 14th, and ballots must be returned to the County Board of Elections Office by 5:00 pm on May 17th.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Martin invited everyone to the National Day of Prayer event being held tomorrow at noon in the courtyard of the Administration Building. He added that he is looking forward to the next Commissioners’ meeting at the Neshaminy Creek Brewing Company.

Commissioner Marseglia thanked General Services for all their help this past weekend with the Suicide Prevention Awareness Walk. She also thanked the Mental Health Department for their support, and the Bucks County Technical High School for allowing use of their property and building. This was the most successful walk yet with over 700 walkers participating, and an estimated total in excess of \$50,000.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next public meeting of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at Neshaminy Creek Brewing Company in Croydon.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Commissioner Marseglia, seconded by Commissioner Martin, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved: May 15, 2019

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BY:

Robert G. Loughery
Chairman

Charles H. Martin
Vice Chairman

Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia
Commissioner

ATTEST:

Deanna M. Giorno
Chief Clerk