

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

October 16, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners was held today at 10:00 am, at Livengrin on Hulmeville Road in Bensalem, 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

Commissioner Loughery introduced David Blenk, President and Chief Executive Officer of Livengrin. Mr. Blenk thanked the Commissioners for their ongoing support and spoke briefly about the battle against addiction.

Commissioner Loughery welcomed Dan OBrien, of state Sen. Steve Sant arsieros office, PA State Rep. Gene DiGirolamo, and county row officers Mary Smithson, Clerk of Courts; Neale Dougherty, Controller; Matthew Weintraub, District Attorney; Judi Reiss, Prothonotary; and Thomas Panzer, Treasurer.

PRESENTATIONS

The Commissioners presented a check for the Other Civics contribution from the last meeting, as well as a key to a van for the Bucks County African American Museum. Commissioner Loughery explained that the African American Museum has a traveling exhibit that is currently transported throughout the county in their cars. This problem had been conveyed to Commissioner Marseglia recently, and the commissioners were able to help secure a van for the museum to use, thanks to the assistance of General Services. Linda Salley, President of the Board of Directors of the African American Museum of Bucks County, thanked the commissioners for their support and encouraged everyone to check out their website or visit the Pearl S. Buck House to see the exhibit.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Agenda Items

None

OLD BUSINESS

Upon motion of Commissioner Loughery, seconded by Commissioner Marseglia, with the vote being 3-0, the minutes for the regular meeting of October 2, 2019 were approved.

Commissioner Loughery announced that the County Commissioners held an Executive Session on October 15, 2019 to discuss the pending litigation of *Taha vs. Bucks County*, Case No: 12-6867, United States District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

NEW BUSINESS

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

Item 2a – Upon motion of Commissioner Marseglia, seconded by Commissioner Loughery, with a vote of 3-0, this item for Children & Youth was tabled.

RESOLUTIONS

Upon motion of Commissioner Marseglia seconded by Commissioner Martin, with the vote being 3-0, the following Resolutions were approved by the Bucks County Board of Commissioners with the exception of Item 2a, which was tabled.

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>WITH</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1. AREA AGENCY ON AGING	a. Comfort Home Care, Inc. Feasterville, PA	Approve contract amendment to amend Appendix G. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	
	b. Community Home Health Feasterville, PA	Approve contract amendment to amend Appendix G. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	
	c. Gem Home Care, Inc. Huntington Valley, PA	Approve contract amendment to amend Appendix G. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	

	d.	Penn Asian Senior Services, Inc. Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract amendment to amend Appendix G. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	
	e.	Family Service Association of Bucks County Langhorne, PA	Approve contract decrease and amendment. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	(\$21,000)
2. CHILDREN & YOUTH <b>TABLED</b>	a.	Blue Chip Technologies-US, Inc. d/b/a Guardian MPS West Chester, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide mobile safety application for staff. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	\$25,080** (County 20%)
	b.	Community Service Foundation Pipersville, PA	Approve contract increase for the Family Group Decision Making (FGDM) Program. 7/1/18 – 6/30/19	\$102,050** (County 9%)
3. COMMISSIONERS	a.	Bucks County Industrial Development Authority Doylestown, PA	Approve resolution authorizing a Certificate of Approval for an issuance of bonds not to exceed \$20,000,000 pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, for Young Men’s Christian Association of Bucks County d/b/a Central Bucks YMCA in Doylestown, Quakertown, and Bristol Township.	
	b.	Delaware Valley Regional Finance Authority Flourtown, PA	Approve resolution to amend Article II of the Articles of Incorporation to increase the term of existence to fifty (50) years from the date of approval to the Articles of Amendment.	
4. COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	a.	Bucks Villa, Inc. Langhorne, PA	Approve contract for 2019 CDBG funding for rehabilitation of a group home in New Hope. 9/1/19 – 8/31/20	\$75,600** (County 0%)
	b.	Morrisville Borough	Approve contract for 2019 CDBG funding for phase II of sidewalk and curb ramp accessibility improvements near Historic Summerseat. 9/1/19 – 8/31/20	\$325,000** (County 0%)
5. CORRECTIONS	a.	Matthew Hopkins Telford, PA	Approve termination of contract for chaplain services. 4/13/19 – 12/31/19	(\$6,975)
	b.	Trinity Services Group, Inc. Oldsmar, FL	Approve contract to provide food services for county correctional facilities. 11/1/19 – 10/31/20	Product cost plus 10% (County 100%)
6. COURTS	a.	Holy Family University Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract to design and conduct an assessment evaluation of the current Drug Court Program. 11/1/19 – 6/1/23	\$180,000** (County 0%)
7. DISTRICT ATTORNEY	a.	Roberta Kostick New Britain, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide consulting services for domestic violence investigations. 1/1/20 – 12/31/20	\$900/completed investigation + travel expenses* (County 0%)
	b.	Richard J. Mangan New Hope, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide consulting services. 1/1/20 – 12/31/20	\$29,337.24** (County 100%)
	c.	Maureen Spang Chambersburg, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide consulting services. 1/1/20 – 12/31/20	\$18,000** (County 100%)
8. GENERAL SERVICES	a.	Bergey’s Tire & Auto Franconia, PA	Approve contract to provide auto supplies for county fleet maintenance. 1/1/19 – 12/31/19	\$27,500** (County 100%)

	b.	Steven M. Elrath Yardley, PA	Approve lease of office space for Juvenile Probation Department. 11/1/19 – 10/31/29	\$377,496** (County 100%)		
	c.	George Leck & Son, Inc. d/b/a Leck Waste Services Ivyland, PA	Approve contract increase to add additional location. 6/1/19 – 5/31/22	\$982.72* (County 100%)		
	d.	Pennoni Associates, Inc. King of Prussia, PA	Approve contract to provide construction inspection and material testing services during construction of Women’s Correctional Facility.	\$197,295** (County 100%)		
	e.	Verizon Pennsylvania LLC, Right of Way Department New Castle, PA	Approve construction easement to establish fiber optic connectivity for the Frosty Hollow Tennis Center in Levittown. (TMP 22-059-026)			
	f.	Warminster Atrium Condo Association c/o B.C. Property Management, Inc. Doylestown, PA	Approve condo fee increase for county property located at 600 Louis Drive in Warminster. 7/1/19 – 12/31/19	\$84.78/mo (County 100%)		
9.		HOUSING SERVICES	a.	Family Service Association Langhorne, PA	Approve contract 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. 9/18/19 – 3/18/21	\$80,791 (County 0%)
10.		HUMAN RESOURCES	a.	HM Insurance Group Pittsburgh, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide stop loss coverage for health care insurance. 1/1/20 – 12/31/20	\$1,961,645 (County 100%)
11.		HUMAN SERVICES	a.	Bucks County Opportunity Council, Inc. Doylestown, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide homeless assistance case management services. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	\$48,300** (County 3.9%)
	b.	Bucks County Opportunity Council, Inc. Doylestown, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide rental assistance to financially needy individuals or families. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	\$198,842** (County 3.9%)		
	c.	Catholic Social Services Levittown, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide case management services. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	\$7,000** (County 3.9%)		
	d.	Senior Care Centers of Pennsylvania Trevose, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide adult day care services. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	\$5,000** (County 3.9%)		
	e.	Volunteers for Homeless, Inc. Bristol, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide case management, food, clothing, and referral information. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	\$2,000** (County 3.9%)		
	f.	Worthwhile Wear Silverdale, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide protective services for women. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	\$12,500** (County 3.9%)		
12.		JUVENILE PROBATION	a.	Juvenile Court Judges’ Commission Harrisburg, PA	Approve renewal of grant agreement for juvenile and specialized probation services. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	\$605,890 (Revenue)
	b.	Network of Victim Assistance, Inc. Jamison, PA	Approve contract to develop a behavior problems program for youth. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	\$24,960** (County 20%)		

13. MH/DP
- a. CO-MANS, Inc. Pennndel, PA Approve contract renewal to provide supported living and community residential services. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20 \$685,872\*\* (County 3.9%)
  - b. Salisbury Behavioral Health, Inc. Lancaster, PA Approve contract renewal to provide supported living and residential services. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20 \$2,817,706\*\* (County 3.9%)
  - c. Warwick Family Based Program, Inc. Bensalem, PA Approve contract to provide intensive case management, residential, and family based services. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20 \$30,000\*\* (County 3.9%)
14. PLANNING COMMISSION
- a. Pennoni Associates, Inc. Philadelphia, PA Approve authorization for General Services Director of Operations to electronically sign Construction Inspection Agreement for the Newtown Rail Trail in Upper Southampton. \$126,014.94\*\* (County 0%)
15. OTHER CIVICS
- a. A Women’s Place Livengrin Foundation Approve Payment \$4,000 \$1,000

\*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.

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								
October 16, 2019								
As recommended by the Department of Human Resources								
Item numbers 1 through 18								
APPOINTMENTS								
REQUISITION #	NEW HIRE NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION	
1	4247	Heather A. Hodder-Hoth	Education Director	NM Admin	00	40.0	10/29/2019	84,900.00 PA
2	4228	Corey P. Matthews	Homeland Security Program Specialist	Emergency Management Agency	00	40.0	11/4/2019	24.00 PH
3	4201	Ralph R. Mazza	Grounds Level I	General Services	02	40.0	10/21/2019	23.95 PH
4	4185	Henry T. McDonald Jr	Operations & Training Officer	Emergency Management Agency	00	40.0	10/21/2019	24.00 PH
5	4078	Janessa L. Winder	Food Service Attendant - PD	NM Dietary Services	03	24.0	10/17/2019	13.27 PH
POSITION CHANGE								
REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION	
6	4156	Lindsay Cooper	CYF Program Specialist I TO CYF Program Specialist II	Children and Youth	84	37.5	11/4/2019	40.78 PH TO 44.28 PH
7	N/A	Monica H. Gaffin	Program Specialist TO Manager Adult Services & Program Development	Behavioral Health Services	00	40.0	10/17/2019	34.19 PH TO 78,800.00 PA
8	4223	Dawn A. Ricci	Laundry Aide TO Custodian-NMH	General Services	02	40.0	10/28/2019	21.72 PH
9	4165	Darrell B. Thomas	Caseworker TO Social Services Aide II	Children and Youth	04	37.5	10/21/2019	25.89 PH TO 17.85 PH
TRANSFER								
REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION	
10	4077	Enithe Dessources	Nursing Assistant - PD TO Nursing Assistant - Pool	NM Nursing Assistants TO NM Nursing Pool	03 TO 30	24.0 TO 14.0	10/26/2019	20.37 PH TO 21.42 PH
SALARY ADJUSTMENT								
REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION	
11	N/A	Kevin M. Rousset	Superintendent	Main Jail	11	40.0	9/14/2019	99,500.00 PA TO 99,843.00 PA
SEPARATION								
	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT			EFFECTIVE DATE	REMARKS	
12	Rachel C. Baker	Food Service Attendant - PD	NM Dietary Services			10/20/2019	Separation	
13	Nardia O. Bernard	Nursing Assistant - Pool	NM Nursing Pool			9/17/2019	Separation**	
14	Katlin M. Foley	Nursing Assistant - Pool	NM Nursing Pool			10/1/2019	Separation	
15	Christopher Kotch	Dispatcher I	911 Emergency Response			12/1/2019	Separation	
16	Cecelia M. Priovolos	Corrections Officer	Main Jail			9/25/2019	Separation	
17	Rachel M. Rizzo	Registered Nurse - Pool	NM Nursing Pool			10/11/2019	Separation	
18	Ethan A. Tecker	Dispatcher Trainee - PD	911 Emergency Response			10/3/2019	Separation	
*Estimated Date **Never Started ***Agreement ****Reinstatement								

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

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Upon motion of Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Loughery, with the vote being 3-0, the following appointment was approved:

Drug & Alcohol Commission  
Annemarie Murphy

New Appointment

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

CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER REPORT

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

The next Bucks County drug take-back event will be held on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> at 52 locations throughout the county. This is a highly successful program. District Attorney Matt Weintraub added that Bucks County is #1 in the state for this program.

It was announced at the last meeting that Human Services Director Jon Rubin will be leaving the county in early November to begin a new position with the state. Thanks to Jon for everything he’s done during his 5 plus years here. He has done a phenomenal job and his and his leadership and professional skills are second to none. Thanks to Jon for his help and friendship, best of luck and congratulations.

This is the last meeting before the General Election on November 5<sup>th</sup> so be sure to get out and vote.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Martin echoed Mr. Hessenthaler’s sentiments and thanked Mr. Rubin for his work with the county.

Referencing the upcoming election, Commissioner Martin noted that it will be the last chance to use the voting machines that have served the county successfully for 13 years.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Janice Hobbs-Pellechio, Terry Beitel, Holly from Wrightstown, Bert Johnson, and Madeline Rawley all offered their input regarding the selection of new voting machines.

Gary Thompson, from Bensalem, spoke regarding issues he is having with his BCWSA sewer bill.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next public meeting of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, November 6, 2019, at 3:00 p.m. in the Bucks County Commissioners’ Meeting Room.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Loughery, the meeting was adjourned at 10:54.

Approved: November 6, 2019

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BY:

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Robert G. Loughery  
*Chairman*

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Charles H. Martin  
*Vice Chairman*

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Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia  
*Commissioner*

ATTEST:

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Deanna M. Giorno  
*Chief Clerk*