

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

October 7, 2020

The Regular Meeting of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners was held today at 10:00 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 Brian Munroe, Clerk of Courts, led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Commissioners and other County representatives present wore pink to support Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

INTRODUCTIONS

County row officers who were present included: Brian Munroe, Clerk of Courts; Meredith Buck, Coroner; Judi Reiss, Prothonotary; and Milt Warrell, Sheriff.

PRESENTATION/COMMENDATIONS

A news clip from this past August about Tropical Storm Isaias was presented showing the significant damage sustained locally, especially in the area of Doylestown Hospital and the Children’s Village preschool. The clip also highlighted the heroic efforts of the community members, especially as they related to the children who were in the day care center at the time. Two of those children, Eli and Landon Markowitz, attended the meeting and were recognized for their bravery. The Commissioners also presented commendation letters for many of those contributing to the collective heroism of the day, including Mr. Brexler; Teri Windisch, Director of Children’s Village; Sheriff Milt Warrell; Scott Forster, Director of Emergency Services for Bucks County; Jim Shepard, Battalion Chief 19, Doylestown Fire Company; Chuck Pressler, Chief of Bucks County Emergency Medical Services; and Dean Logan, Doylestown Township Chief of Police.

Commissioner Harvie shared his thoughts on this traumatizing event and thanked all those involved. Commissioner DiGirolamo introduced Jim Brexler, President and CEO of Doylestown Health, who also thanked those involved and indicated how proud he was of how the community came together to help.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Agenda Items

Bucks County Solicitor Joe Khan indicated that there were no public comments received via email.

Andy Warren, former Commissioner from Middletown Township, had questions on several agenda items and commented on the accessibility of county government.

Commissioner Marseglia provided an explanation of the consent agenda vs. the regular agenda.

Commissioner Harvie responded to Mr. Warren’s comments regarding the live streaming of the public meetings and the purchase of several items on agenda with CARES Act funding.

Also addressing Mr. Warren’s comments, Commissioner DiGirolamo spoke about local government and the spending of federal grant money on issues related to COVID-19.

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion of Commissioner Harvie, seconded by Commissioner DiGirolamo, the following Resolutions from the consent agenda were approved by the Bucks County Board of Commissioners by a vote of 3-0, with the exception of item 14a, which was tabled.

- A. Minutes from the September 16, 2020 regular meeting
- B. Resolutions

1. ADULT PROBATION	a. Diakon Child, Family and Community Ministries Middletown, PA	Approve contract to provide a specialized 30 day wilderness program for Youthful Offender participants. (Subject to final approval by county solicitor) 5/1/20 – 12/31/21	\$225,000** (County 50%)
2. AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION	a. Sara MacGowan Coopersburg, PA	Approve county’s portion of a 30.62 acre agricultural conservation easement on the MacGowan farm located on Pleasant View Road in Springfield Township. (TMP 42-002-094-001)	\$183,720 + settlement charges and adjustments (County 100%)

3. AREA AGENCY ON AGING	a.	Benjamin H. Wilson Senior Center Warminster, PA	Approve contract to support senior center services. 7/1/20 – 6/30/23	\$161,817** (County 2%)
	b.	Bristol Borough Area Active Adult Center Bristol, PA	Approve contract to support senior center services. 7/1/20 – 6/30/23	\$126,423** (County 2%)
	c.	Deirdre Blackburn Frenchtown, NJ	Approve contract to provide consultant services for development of a pilot Senior Technology Outreach Program to help cope with the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. 10/7/20 – 12/30/20	\$12,500** (County 0%)
	d.	Lenape Valley Foundation Doylestown, PA	Approve decrease of contract to provide Senior Empowerment for Life Fulfillment demonstration program. 7/1/21 – 6/30/24	(\$600,000)
	e.	Middletown Senior Citizens Association Levittown, PA	Approve contract to support senior center services. 7/1/20 – 6/30/23	\$160,816** (County 2%)
	f.	YMCA of Bucks County Doylestown, PA	Approve contract to provide funding to expand the Living Active Program to help cope with impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. 3/1/20 – 12/30/20	\$160,000** (County 0%)
4. BH/DP	a.	Belmont Behavioral Hospital Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract to provide inpatient hospitalization services. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$35,000** (County 3.9%)
	b.	Bucks County Drug & Alcohol Commission, Inc. Doylestown, PA	Approve contract to provide student assistance program services to Bucks County Schools. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$179,000** (County 3.9%)
	c.	Bucks County Transport, Inc. Holicong, PA	Approve contract to provide transportation services for individuals with disabilities. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$50,833** (County 3.9%)
	d.	Dr. John Markey, Psy. D., CADC Doylestown, PA	Approve contract to provide initial competency evaluation and re-evaluations for individuals at the Bucks County Correctional Facility. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$85,000** (County 3.9%)
	e.	Employment Technology, Inc. Doylestown, PA	Approve contract to provide employment services. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$257,998** (County 3.9%)
	f.	Goodwill Keystone Area Harrisburg, PA	Approve contract to provide supported employment services. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$127,000** (County 3.9%)
	g.	Horizon House, Inc. Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract increase to provide supported living and residential services. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	\$79,761** (County 3.9%)
	h.	Horsham Clinic Ambler, PA	Approve contract to provide hospital inpatient services. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$21,000** (County 3.9%)
	i.	Indian Creek Foundation, Inc. Souderton, PA	Approve contract to provide residential services. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$441,366** (County 3.9%)
	j.	KenCrest Services Blue Bell, PA	Approve contract to provide services to individuals with intellectual disabilities and early intervention services for children up to age three. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$804,686** (County 10%)
	k.	LifePath, Inc. Bethlehem, PA	Approve contract to provide community participation and residential services. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$260,150** (County 8%)

	l.	Reach Out Foundation of Bucks County Pennel, PA	Approve contract to provide social rehabilitation drop-in center services. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$174,850** (County 3.9%)
	m.	Shared Support South, Inc. Warrington, PA	Approve contract to provide in home and community support services. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$23,464** (County 3.9%)
	n.	Sunny Days Early Childhood Developmental Services, Inc. Manalapan, NJ	Approve contract to provide early intervention services. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$859,180** (County 10%)
	o.	T.E.C., Inc., d/b/a Family and Friends Point Pleasant, PA	Approve contract to provide residential services. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$1,363,140** (County 3.9%)
5. CHILDREN & YOUTH	a.	Catholic Social Services Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract to provide foster care services. 7/1/18 – 6/30/19	\$11,770.46** (County 20%)
	b.	Children’s Home of Easton Easton, PA	Approve contract increase to provide various residential and foster care services for children. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	\$1,095** (County 10%)
	c.	Concern Professional Services for Children, Youth, and Families Fleetwood, PA	Approve contract to provide foster care and community residential care. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	\$382,850** (County 17%)
	d.	Genesis Home Of New Beginnings York, PA	Approve contract to provide Community Residential Treatment Program to dependent children. 7/1/19 – 6/30/21	\$350,000** (County 20%)
	e.	Maternity Care Coalition Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide the Healthy Families America program for new and expectant mothers. 7/1/19 – 6/30/20	\$97,760** (County 12%)
	f.	YMCA of Bucks County Doylestown, PA	Approve contract to provide equipment and supplies needed to help cope with impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. 3/1/20 – 12/30/20	\$255,775** (County 0%)
	g.	YWCA of Bucks County Trevose, PA	Approve contract to provide respite care program and after school/childcare programs to help cope with the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. 3/1/20 – 12/30/20	\$61,150** (County 0%)
6. CORONER	a.	Johnson Controls Fire Protection LP (JCI) Horsham, PA	Approve contract to replace flood damaged security system and card access system. 1/1/20 – 12/31/20	\$28,830* (County 100%)
7. CORRECTIONS	a.	Anthony Lewis Philadelphia, PA	Approve termination of contract to provide drug and alcohol intervention services to inmates. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	(\$46,800)
	b.	Sonia Horwitz Newtown, PA	Approve termination of contract to provide drug and alcohol intervention services to inmates. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	(\$37,440)
8. EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS	a.	M&M Facility Services, LLC Douglasville, PA	Approve contract to provide HVAC maintenance at tower site. 11/1/20 – 10/31/23	\$81,732* (County 100%)
	b.	Motorola Solutions Chicago, IL	Approve contract to replace radio equipment for 8 county departments due to the COVID-19 pandemic.	\$4,053,587.88* (County 0%)

9. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	a. VCI Emergency Vehicle Specialists Berlin, NJ	Approve purchase of a 2020 Ford F550 4x4 Diesel Horton 603 ambulance for Bensalem EMS, needed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.	\$280,087 (County 0%)
10. GENERAL SERVICES	a. Apple Automotive Group Inc. d/b/a Apple Ford Red Lion, PA	Approve purchase of a 2020 Ford Transit cargo van for General Services.	\$33,284.30** (County 100%)
	b. Bergey's Ford Inc., d/b/a Bergey's Ford of Ambler Ambler, PA	Approve purchase of a 2020 Ford Transit AWD cargo van for the Coroner's Office, needed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.	\$40,004.02** (County 0%)
	c. Bergey's GMC Inc. Souderton, PA	Approve purchase of a 2020 GMC Savana 3500 cargo van for the Sheriff's Office, needed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.	\$29,228.37** (County 0%)
	d. Bergey's Truck Center – Souderton Souderton, PA	Approve purchase of a 2020 Isuzu FTR box truck for General Services, needed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.	\$81,927** (County 0%)
	e. Clipper Pipe & Service, Inc. Crum Lynne, PA	Approve contract increase to provide HVAC installation at the EMA warehouse, needed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.	\$115,500 (County 0%)
	f. CMG of Easton, Inc. Easton, PA	Approve increase to general construction contract for Women's Correctional Facility expansion project, needed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.	\$143,250** (County 0%)
	g. Dewberry Architects Inc. Fairfax, VA	Approve contract increase to provide architectural and construction administration services for the Librarian's Office relocation, needed due to COVID-19 pandemic.	\$7,840** (County 0%)
	h. Doylestown Electric Doylestown, PA	Approve contract for repair and maintenance supplies for county buildings and properties. 1/1/20 – 12/31/20	\$28,000 (County 100%)
	i. Fred Beans Ford Doylestown, PA	Approve purchase of a 2020 Ford Transit AWD cargo van for the Sheriff's Office, needed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.	\$39,212** (County 0%)
	j. George Leck & Son, Inc. d/b/a Leck Waste Services Ivyland, PA	Approve contract increase for dumpster and trash hauling at additional location. 6/1/19 – 5/31/22	\$783.89* (County 100%)
	k. Grace Industries Bath, PA	Approve contract increase to provide construction services for replacement of Bucks County Bridge #21 on Rickert Road over Morris Run in Hilltown Township. 12/18/19 – Completion	\$7,087.50** (County 5%)
	l. Joseph Jingoli & Son, Inc. Lawrenceville, NJ	Approve contract increase for construction management services for Phase 2 & 3 of administration building rehabilitation project. 7/1/20 – 11/30/21	\$464,000** (County 100%)
	m. Legacy Enterprise Group LLC d/b/a Anchor Moving & Storage Moorestown, NJ	Approve contract increase to provide moving services for departments relocating into the Administration Building. 9/18/19 – 9/17/21	\$65,000** (County 100%)
	n. Loftus Construction, Inc. Cinnaminson, NJ	Approve contract for replacement of Bridge #138, located on Creek Road in Warwick Township.	\$1,115,115.15** (County 100%)
	o. Michelle McLaughlin Southampton, PA	Approve contract for rental of county property located at 819 New Galena Road in Doylestown. 10/15/20 – 9/30/21	\$20,383.90 (Revenue)

	p.	NextGen Security, LLC Exton, PA	Approve contract to purchase and install card access system at the Health Department building on the Neshaminy Manor Campus, needed due to COVID-19 pandemic.	\$110,138.50** (County 0%)
	q.	Offix USA, LLC Allentown, PA	Approve contract to purchase workstation furniture for the Health Department renovation project, needed due to COVID-19 pandemic.	\$131,160.79** (County 0%)
	r.	Offix USA, LLC Allentown, PA	Approve contract to purchase workstation furniture for the Emergency Management Operations Center expansion project, needed due to COVID-19 pandemic.	\$64,965.60** (County 0%)
	s.	Professional Construction Contractors, Inc. Bethlehem, PA	Approve contract increase to complete repairs of 6 county bridges: #5, located on Blooming Glen Road, #73 on Covered Bridge Road, #86 on Keeley Avenue, #192 on Knechts Bridge Road, #268 on Schlentz Hill Road, and #203 on Uhlerstown Hill Road.	\$81,929.77** (County 0%)
	t.	Westgate Chevrolet, Inc. d/b/a Apple Chevrolet York, PA	Approve purchase of a 2020 Chevrolet Traverse SUV for the Bucks County Opportunity Council, needed due to COVID-19 pandemic.	\$30,046.12** (County 0%)
11. HEALTH DEPARTMENT	a.	General Healthcare Resources LLC Plymouth Meeting, PA	Approve contract to provide temporary support staff and clinical nursing staff. 10/1/20 – 9/30/21	\$48-\$52/hour* \$58-\$72/hour* (County 0%)
12. HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	a.	YWCA Bucks County Trevose, PA	Approve contract increase for COVID-19 Stimulus funding to provide homelessness prevention and emergency food distribution. 3/1/20 – 12/30/20	\$328,061 (County 0%)
13. HUMAN RESOURCES	a.	International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE) Local 835, AFL-CIO-02 Drexel Hill, PA	Approve contract with IUOE Unit 02, for approximately 137 maintenance and trade employees. 1/1/20 – 12/31/22	
	b.	John England and AFSCME District Council 88	Approve settlement of arbitration (BOM-0399) and general release of claims for unused vacation hours.	\$1,752.03 (County 100%)
14. HUMAN SERVICES <i>Tabled</i>	a.	Volunteers for Homeless, Inc. Bristol, PA	Approve contract to provide case management, food, clothing, and referral information. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$2,000** (County 3.9%)
	b.	Worthwhile Wear Silverdale, PA	Approve contract to provide protective services for women. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$12,500** (County 3.9%)
15. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	a.	B.A.I. Security Systems Inc. Yardley, PA	Approve contract for installation of audio-visual equipment for virtual court at all 18 district court locations, needed due to COVID-19 pandemic.	\$19,850** (County 0%)
	b.	Computer Aid, Inc. Allentown, PA	Approve contract increase to include ServiceNow service management software and support services for General Services, needed due to COVID-19 pandemic. 11/5/18 – 11/4/23	\$139,045** (County 0%)
	c.	Foster Digital Media Productions, LLC Yardley, PA	Approve contract to provide consultation and training services for audio-visual equipment at all 18 district court locations, needed due to COVID-19 pandemic.	\$53,567.28** (County 0%)
	d.	High Availability Inc. Audubon, PA	Approve contract to provide enterprise storage solution, needed due to COVID-19 pandemic. 11/1/20 – 10/31/25	\$503,382.50 (County 0%)

	e.	iXsystems Inc. San Jose, CA	Approve contract to provide document scanning and storage services, needed due to COVID-19 pandemic. 11/16/20 – 11/15/25	\$200,744.10 (County 0%)	
	f.	NextGen Security, LLC Exton, PA	Approve contract to upgrade the existing building security system at the Almshouse Road Warehouse and Chapel/Building G locations, needed due to COVID-19 pandemic.	\$119,143 (County 0%)	
	g.	The Lerro Corporation Norristown, PA	Approve contract for purchase of audio-visual equipment for virtual court at all 18 district court locations, needed due to COVID-19 pandemic.	\$56,728.66** (County 0%)	
	h.	Verizon Business Basking Ridge, NJ	Approve upgrade of core network system for all 3 data center locations, needed due to COVID-19 pandemic. 36 months from NTP	\$1,224,284.30* (County 0%)	
16.		NESHAMINY MANOR	a. Pennsylvania Department of Human Services, Office of Long Term Living Harrisburg, PA	Approve Intergovernmental Transfer Agreement to provide the non-federal share of medical assistance payments to Neshaminy Manor. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$7,687,044 (County 0%)
17.		PLANNING COMMISSION	a. Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract to provide transportation planning services. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$84,000 (Revenue)
	b.	Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract to provide public transit planning services. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$61,734 (Revenue)	
	c.	Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract to provide GIS services. 7/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$26,000 (Revenue)	
	d.	MXI Environmental Services, LLC Abingdon, VA	Approve contract to provide household hazardous waste services. 4/1/20 – 3/31/21	\$300,000* (County 25%)	
18.		WORKFORCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	a. Chester County Economic Development Council Exton, PA	Approve extension of agreement to provide oversight of the Engage! Program. 7/1/20 – 10/31/20	\$400/visit* (Revenue)
19.		YOUTH CENTER	a. County of Snyder Middleburg, PA	Approve contract increase to provide temporary housing for detention of out-of-county juveniles. 7/1/19 – 6/30/24	\$50/day /resident (Revenue)
<b><u>REGULAR AGENDA</u></b>					
20.		COMMISSIONERS	a. Bucks County Intermediate Unit Doylestown, PA	Approve CARES funding pass-through for county school districts and career technical centers to cover expenses related to the COVID-19 pandemic. (Subject to final approval by county solicitor)	\$5,000,000* (County 0%)
	b.	The Peace Center Langhorne, PA	Approve contract to provide Walking While Black training via remote learning due to COVID-19 pandemic. (Subject to final approval by county solicitor) 10/7/20 – 12/30/20	\$20,000 (County 0%)	
21.		GENERAL SERVICES	a. African American Museum of Bucks County Langhorne, PA	Approve rental of county property located at 827 Langhorne-Newtown Road in Langhorne. 10/1/20 – 9/30/49	\$29 (Revenue)

	b.	Pennoni Associates, Inc. Warrington, PA	Approve contract to provide engineering design and consultation services for the proposed African American Museum at Core Creek Park. (Subject to final approval by county solicitor)	\$216,090 (County 100%)	
22.	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	a.	CivicPlus Manhattan, KS	Approve contract to redesign county website. (Subject to final approval by county solicitor) 10/13/20 – 10/12/25	\$863,304 (County 30.1%)
23.	POLICE TRAINING	a.	RITE Academy LLC The Villages, FL	Approve Racial Intelligence Training & Engagement (RITE) leadership classes. 10/26/20 – 10/29/20	\$43,130 (County 47.5%)
24.	WORKFORCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	a.		Authorize disbursement of Bucks Back to Work Small Business grant funds for round two recipients.	\$49,999** /recipient (County 0%)

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

Commissioner Marseglia presented the items on the regular agenda, providing additional clarification as needed.

Item 20a - Commissioner Harvie spoke about this agreement with the Intermediate Unit to help disburse the CARES funding to the schools.

Item 20b – Commissioner Marseglia provided more information on this training being provided to all county employees.

Item 21b – Commissioner Marseglia noted this is being paid for using historic preservation funds.

Item 24a – Commissioner Harvie provided more information about this grant program and the changes implemented for this round.

Upon motion of Commissioner DiGirolamo, seconded by Commissioner Harvie, the above Resolutions from the regular agenda were approved by the Bucks County Board of Commissioners by a vote of 3-0:

**BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS**

David Boscola, Finance Director, provided clarification on the proposed budget adjustments.

**2020 BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS**

**Agenda Description**

**October 7, 2020**

**BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS - Adjust Operating Budget for additional expenditures**

<u>Adjustment</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Adjustment #11	Opportunity Council	25,000
	General Fund	(25,000)
Adjustment #12	Workforce & Economic Development	2,370,000
	Workforce & Economic Development (Revenue)	(2,370,000)
Total Adjustment to General Fund Balance		-

Upon motion of Commissioner Harvie, seconded by Commissioner DiGirolamo, with the vote being 3-0, these Budget Adjustments were adopted:

**PERSONNEL**

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

**COMMISSIONERS LIST  
October 7, 2020**

As recommended by the Department of Human Resources  
Item numbers 1 through 39

APPOINTMENTS								
REQUISITION #	NEW HIRE NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION	
1	4469	Christine Brown	Staffing Coordinator	NM Administration	03	40.0	10/13/2020	22.41 PH
2	4475	Diana L. Castro	Clerk Stenographer - PD	Public Defender	03	30.0	10/13/2020	20.07 PH
3	4325	Kalesha G. Cruz	L P N	NM Licensed Practical Nurses	33	40.0	10/27/2020	29.31 PH
4	4464	Kyle L. Hanes	Deputy Sealer	Consumer Protection	03	40.0	10/13/2020	27.26 PH
5	4471	Andre Ibarondo	Enterprise Services Specialist	Information Technology	00	40.0	10/13/2020	30.05 PH
6	4330	Jared B. Rice	Nursing Assistant	NM Nursing Assistants	03	40.0	10/13/2020	20.78 PH
7	4328	Engjellushe Tafa	Food Service Attendant - PD	NM Dietary Services	03	12.0	10/10/2020	13.27 PH
8	4470	Megan A. Wagner	Ballot Clerk - PD	Board of Voter Registration	00	30.0	9/17/2020	15.00 PH
9	4473	Andrea E. Walls	Technical Writer/Communication Specialist	Workforce & Economic Development	00	40.0	10/19/2020	60,000.00 PA

REHIRE								
REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION	
10	4387	Carol L. Sturges	Division Assistant - PD	Law Department	00	20.0	10/13/2020	24.00 PH
Separation Date: 11/21/2008								

PER DIEM TO PERMANENT								
REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION	
11	4330	Flor Y. Anaya	Nursing Assistant - PD TO	NM Nursing Assistants	03	24.0 TO 40.0	10/10/2020	20.37 PH TO 20.78 PH
12	4330	Foteini Gerasi Tsolakis	Nursing Assistant - PD TO	NM Nursing Assistants	03	24.0 TO 40.0	10/10/2020	20.37 PH TO 20.78 PH
13	4323	Kathi A. Reilly	Registered Nurse - Pool TO	NM Nursing Pool TO	60 TO	14.0 TO 40.0	10/10/2020	37.74 PH TO 33.14 PH
14	N/A	Jane M. Shunk	HR Office Coordinator - PD TO	Human Resources	00	28.0 TO 40.0	10/10/2020	15.50 PH TO 37,440.00 PA

PERMANENT TO PER DIEM								
REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION	
15	4324	Julie A. Trejo	Registered Nurse TO	NM Registered Nurses TO	06 TO	40.0 TO 14.0	10/10/2020	34.97 PH TO 37.74 PH
Registered Nurse - Pool								

POSITION CHANGE								
REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION	
16	N/A	Jason S. Diefenderfer	EHS Field Representative TO	Emergency Medical Health	00	40.0	10/10/2020	28.27 PH TO 28.57 PH
17	4466	Daniel P. Feeley	Accounting Assistant TO	Main Jail	03 TO 00	40.0	10/10/2020	22.86 PH TO 60,000.00 PA
Accounting Supervisor								

TRANSFER								
REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION	
18	4470	Renee Nicole S. Jonsson	Victim Witness Restitution Clerk - PD TO	District Attorney TO	00	7.0 TO 30.0	9/21/2020	16.83 PH TO 15.00 PH
Ballot Clerk - PD								
Board of Voter Registration								

SEPARATION								
REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION	
22	Kevin S. Albright	Dispatcher Trainee - PD	911 Emergency Response			9/28/2020	18.40 PH	
23	Elyse M. Amodei	Dispatcher I	911 Emergency Response			9/25/2020	27.81 PH	
24	Jonathan Camp	Food Service Attendant - PD	NM Dietary Services			10/1/2020	13.54 PH	
25	Taajudeen I. Cousin	Corrections Officer	Main Jail			9/14/2020 **	22.14 PH	
26	Matthew J. DePledge	Corrections Officer	Main Jail			9/23/2020	22.58 PH	
27	Steven L. Elliott	Custodian	General Services			10/2/2020	23.27 PH	
28	Nicole J. Grous	Nursing Assistant	NM Nursing Assistants			8/27/2020	21.20 PH	
29	Scott C. Henley	Dispatcher Trainee - PD	911 Emergency Response			9/30/2020	18.40 PH	
30	David A. Leighton	Dispatcher I	911 Emergency Response			9/22/2020	27.26 PH	
31	Kerline Maxi	Nursing Assistant - Pool	NM Nursing Pool			9/21/2020	21.85 PH	
32	Stephanie M. McFadden	HR Generalist	Human Resources			10/1/2020	38,189.00 PA	
33	Malika T. Merritt	Nursing Assistant - Pool	NM Nursing Pool			9/21/2020	21.85 PH	
34	Andrea M. Moore	L P N - Pool	NM Nursing Pool			9/21/2020	30.91 PH	
35	Heather L. Reppert	Contract Coordinator	Purchasing			10/1/2020	56,116.00 PA	
36	Jon R. Stoughton	C.A.D. Coordinator	911 Emergency Response			10/9/2020	35.54 PH	
37	Thomas J. Waters	Food Service Attendant - PD	NM Dietary Services			9/23/2020	13.27 PH	

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

CORRECTION								
REQUISITION #	NAME	POSITION TITLE	DEPARTMENT	UNION CODE	HOURS	EFFECTIVE DATE	COMPENSATION	
38	4481	Kathleen A. Norris	Registrar	Board of Voter Registration	03	30.0 TO 35.0	9/17/2020	22.41 PH
Separation Date: 2/29/2016								
39	4479	Brandon A. Yett	Registrar - PD TO	Board of Voter Registration	03	28.0 TO 35.0	9/26/2020	11.50 PH TO 22.41 PH
Registrar								

**BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

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

**New Americans Advisory Commission (4-year term)**

Mohammed Murtaza	new appointment	term expires 1/2/24
Bhasker Patel	new appointment	term expires 1/2/24

**OTHER CIVICS**

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

American Red Cross	\$1,000
Gilda's Club	\$4,000
VITA	\$12,000

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

Leigh Leckerman Foundation	\$5,000
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## CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER REPORT

Margie McKeivitt, Chief Operating Officer, asked Chief Clerk Gail Humphrey to provide an update on the election. Ms. Humphrey advised that things are going extremely well at the three satellite on-demand ballot locations in Quakertown, Doylestown, and Levittown. She explained that each of these locations has special equipment that enable them to print a ballot, including secrecy envelopes and outside envelopes, which can then be deposited in the secure ballot drop boxes. Ms. Humphrey also noted that mail in ballots will start going out tomorrow.

Drug Take Back Day – Collections will be held on October 24<sup>th</sup> at over 45 county locations between 10 am and 2 pm.

Household Hazardous Waste – The October 17<sup>th</sup> event is already full, but anyone still interested can email to get put on the waiting list. There are still available spots for the November 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> event at The Newtown campus of Bucks County Community College.

The last meeting of the year for the Solid Waste Advisory Commission will be held virtually on October 8<sup>th</sup>. See the Planning Commission page on the county website for further information.

Eviction Prevention – Anyone having trouble paying their rent is urged to call the Bucks County Housing Link at (800)810-4344 for assistance.

## SOLICITOR REPORT

Solicitor Joe Khan provided an update on the Taha class action settlement, following the final approval hearing conducted on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Khan advised that, while the judge has not yet given final approval, the present estimate for claims to the class is estimated to be no more than \$6 million. Based on the terms of the settlement, this level of claims would provide for the County to dedicate funding for a new unit in the Public Defender's Office which will be called the "Expungement & Pardons Unit" led by a new Deputy Chief.

## COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner DiGirolamo spoke about the need for the Board of Elections to be able to open and scan ballots before Election Day and said they had sent a letter to Harrisburg requesting this support.

Commissioner DiGirolamo shared a story he recently read in the newspaper about Jerome Allen, a former professional basketball player, who was the recipient of a random act of kindness by a homeless person, and how it changed his life.

Commissioner Harvie advised that mail in ballots were going out today. He explained that each ballot comes with both a secrecy envelope and a mailing envelope and he stressed the importance of putting ballots in the secrecy envelopes and sealing them before then placing them in the mailing envelope. The mailing envelope must be signed and filled out. The Commissioner also advise that people can only drop off their own ballot in the ballot boxes but, in consideration of those who may have disabilities that could prevent them from getting to a ballot box, they can designate someone else to drop it off for them. That designated person would need to present a form indicating that they are authorized to do so.

Commissioner Harvie thanked his fellow commissioners and staff that were wearing pink today to support cancer awareness. He encouraged everyone to visit their doctors and take better care of themselves.

Commissioner Marseglia advised that there is ample parking at the Quakertown and Levittown ballot locations. In Doylestown they have reserved two parking spaces, so people have a place to park while they run their ballots up to the drop boxes. She said everyone will have to have patience after the election, as it may take some time to get the results.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Nilsen, Springfield Township Supervisor and Chair, and member of the Agricultural Preservation Board, thanked the commissioners for approving the easement on the MacGowan farm. Mr. Nilsen also advised that there was confusion in his area regarding polling locations and he hoped the Board of Elections would be sending out notifications to residents regarding the changes. Mr. Nilsen added to Commissioner DiGirolamo's message about helping others and the importance of passing it forward. Commissioner Harvie responded to Mr. Nilsen's comments regarding changes of polling places. He noted that they only change a polling place when requested by the current polling location. He further confirmed that notifications do go out to the affected residents. Ms. McKeivitt advised that some of the notification have gone out already.

Ms. McKeivitt responded to Mr. Warren's question regarding the percent increase in item 13a for the Operating Engineers. Mr. Warren also commented on the commissioners' work sessions and absentee ballots. Commissioner Marseglia clarified that the commissioners' have a work session on the Tuesday before each Commissioners' meeting, and they are open to the public.

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, October 21, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. in the Bucks County Commissioners' Meeting Room.

Approved: October 21, 2020

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BY:

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Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia  
*Commissioner, Chair*

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

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Gene DiGirolamo  
*Commissioner*

ATTEST:

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Gail Humphrey, *Chief Clerk*