

# CAMBRIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

## Minutes

April 7, 2021

Ebensburg, PA  
March 18, 2021

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Ebensburg, PA  
March 19, 2021

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Ebensburg, PA  
March 22, 2021

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Ebensburg, PA  
March 23, 2021

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Ebensburg, PA  
March 24, 2021

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Ebensburg, PA  
March 25, 2021

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Ebensburg, PA  
March 26, 2021

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Ebensburg, PA  
March 29, 2021

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Ebensburg, PA  
March 30, 2021

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Ebensburg, PA  
March 31, 2021

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Ebensburg, PA  
April 1, 2021

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Ebensburg, PA  
April 2, 2021

Courthouse closed to observe Good Friday.

Ebensburg, PA  
April 5, 2021

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Ebensburg, PA  
April 6, 2021

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

**Commissioners in Session.** Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, William J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt were present.

The meeting was called to Order by President Commissioner Chernisky, at Reade Volunteer Fire Company, Blandburg, at 6:05 p.m.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to waive the reading of the Minutes of the meeting held March 18, 2021, but to approve them and place them on file.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

**Public Comment:**

John DeBartola addressed the Board.

Proclamations were presented for National Child Abuse Prevention Month and National Public Safety Telecommunications Week.

**COMMISSIONERS**

Motion was made by Commissioners Smith to approve the form of the SHARP Program Agreement to be entered into with municipalities that will participate in activities of the SHARP Team.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to approve a modification to the Lease Agreement with Cambria County Parking to reduce monthly rent to \$300.00, beginning May 1, 2021, and ending December 31, 2021.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.

**Invoices:**

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the final invoices from Ebsenburg Borough with regard to the sewer upgrade project at the Courthouse and the Prison.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

**Amendment:**

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the First Amendment to the Lease Agreement with Subcarrier Communications, Inc., beginning April 1, 2021, at a rate of \$8,239.00 per year.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

**Agreement:**

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the Cooperative Grant Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Aging, for funding of the Cambria County Area Agency on Aging, beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2025, at the rate of \$4,529,100.00 per year.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

**Contracts (Provided Funding is Available):**

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve one (1) Service Contract Amendment for Cambria County Children & Youth Service 2020-2021 Budget:

Cornell Abraxas Group, Inc. (Amendment to Contract FY 2020/2021)

Cert No.	Unit ID	Service Provided	Rate	Title IV-E Unallowable	Title IV-E Allowable	Allowable Maintenance	Allowable Admin
331250	LP	Leadership Development Program	\$184.74/day				

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve one (1) Service Contract Amendment for Cambria County BH/ID & EI 2020-2021 Budget:

Service Provider	Brief Description of Services	Contract Amount
Cambria County Association for the Blind & Handicapped	Provide community, residential, and social rehabilitation for Cambria County ID consumers.	\$92,356.00 (revised amount) \$131,529.00 (original amount)

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve one (1) Service Contract for Cambria County BH/ID & EI 2020-2021 Budget:**

<u>Service Provider</u>	<u>Brief Description of Services</u>	<u>Contract Amount</u>
Saint Francis University Social Work Program	PA's Independent Monitoring Project/Advisory Board to fulfill ODP's IM4Q Program responsibilities/requirements.	\$30,825.00

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve one (1) Service Contract for Cambria County Drug & Alcohol 2020-2021 Budget:**

<u>Service Provider</u>	<u>Brief Description of Services</u>	<u>Contract Amount</u>
Sinclair Television of Fresno, LLC, d/b/a WJAC-TV	Broadcast commercials and sponsorship ads.	\$3,000.00 maximum

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.**

**Tax Appeals:**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the Petition to Settle by Stipulation prepared regarding the Tax Appeal of Crossroads Meadow, LLC, filed at No. 2019-5098.**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the Petition to Settle by Stipulation prepared regarding the Tax Appeal of Bryan Bush, filed at No. 2020-3752.**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.**

**Tax Exoneration:**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve a 2019 tax exoneration for Mom's House, Inc., of Johnstown, Map No. 78-023.-301.000, in the amount of \$644.33, due to the fact that they are a tax-exempt entity.**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.**

## **PERSONNEL ACTIONS**

**New Hires:**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to hire Jonathan Smith, Per-Diem Summer Duman Park Worker for Duman Park, (Paygrade 000-Q/\$8.00 per hour), effective April 1, 2021, through October 31, 2021. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment health screening).**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to hire Nicholas Cooper, Full-Time Adult Probation Officer for Adult Probation, (Paygrade 47-C/\$36,102.13 annually), effective April 12, 2021. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment health screening).**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to hire Timothy Rupert, Full-Time Caseworker I for Children & Youth Service, (Paygrade 41-E/\$28,414.30 annually), effective April 12, 2021. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment health screening).**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to hire Danielle Penna, Full-Time Clerk Typist I for Children & Youth Service, (Paygrade 7-B/\$19,558.50 annually), effective April 26, 2021. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment health screening).**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to hire Angela Clark, Full-Time Clerk Typist I for Children & Youth Service, (Paygrade 7-B/\$19,558.50 annually), effective April 26, 2021. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment health screening).**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to hire Donna Delozier, Per-Diem Department Clerk I for Human Resources, (Paygrade 3-B/\$20.00 per hour), effective April 19, 2021. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment health screening).**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to hire Estella Persio, Per-Diem Tipstaff for the Courts, (Paygrade 5-D/\$8.56 per hour), effective April 12, 2021. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment health screening).**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.**

**Transfers:**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to transfer Janelle Sisco, Full-Time Clerical Supervisor I for the Area Agency on Aging, (Paygrade 24-B/\$23,496.46 annually), to Full-Time Human Resources Generalist for Human Resources, (Paygrade 20-P/\$13.00 per hour), effective April 19, 2021.**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to transfer Tracy Trybus, Full-Time Department Clerk IV for the District Attorney's Office, (Paygrade 21-B/\$12.64 per hour), to Full-Time Clerk Stenographer II for the District Attorney's Office, (Paygrade 11-B/\$12.01 per hour), effective April 12, 2021.**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to transfer Lori Wright, Full-Time Department Clerk II for the Prothonotary's Office, (Paygrade 9-E/\$12.17 per hour), to Full-Time Department Clerk III for the Prothonotary's Office, (Paygrade 15-E/\$12.78 per hour), effective April 12, 2021.**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to transfer James Cheskey, Full-Time Maintenance Worker III for Maintenance, (Paygrade 20-D/\$14.06 per hour), to Full-Time Assistant Director of Maintenance/Safety for Maintenance, (Paygrade 49-W/\$36,000.00 annually), effective April 12, 2021.**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to transfer Lisa Gallopin, Full-Time Compliance/Report Coordinator for the District Attorney's Office, (Paygrade 48-V/\$13.70 per hour), to Full-Time Finance/Compliance Manager for the District Attorney's Office, (Paygrade 48-V/\$16.15 per hour), effective April 12, 2021.**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to transfer Darcy Dishong, Full-Time Assistant Payroll Coordinator for Human Resources, (Paygrade 25-B/\$14.36 per hour), to Full-Time Payroll Coordinator for Human Resources, (Paygrade 36-F/\$15.09 per hour), effective April 19, 2021.**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to transfer Maureen McQuillan, Part-Time Assistant Public Defender for the Public Defender's Office, (Paygrade 48-A/\$26,905.32 annually), to Full-Time Assistant Public Defender for the Public Defender's Office, (Paygrade 48-L/\$50,876.00 annually), effective April 12, 2021.**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.**

**Remove from Payroll:**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to remove Bryan Beppler, Full-Time Director of Human Resources for Human Resources, (Paygrade 97-C/\$81,543.28 annually), effective May 1, 2021.**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to remove Danielle Blough, Full-Time Tax Appraiser for Tax Assessment, (Paygrade 39-C/\$11.55 per hour), effective March 18, 2021.**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to remove Ashlan Clark, Part-Time Assistant Public Defender for the Public Defender's Office, (Paygrade 48-A/\$28,054.26 annually), effective April 3, 2021.**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to remove Dale Westrick, Full-Time Correctional Officer I for the Prison, (Paygrade 26-A/\$23.22 per hour), effective April 4, 2021.**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to remove Kayla Behory, Full-Time Caseworker I for Children & Youth Service, (Paygrade 41-E/\$28,914.30 annually), effective April 7, 2021.**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to remove Lance Miller, Full-Time Correctional Officer I for the Prison, (Paygrade 26-A/\$21.43 per hour), effective April 1, 2021.**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to remove Richard Mulhollen, Per-Diem Investigator for Domestic Relations, (Paygrade 000-I/\$15.69 per hour), effective April 2, 2021.**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to remove Matthew Clawson, Full-Time Telecommunicator for 911, (Paygrade 35-F/\$13.34 per hour), effective April 18, 2021.**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to remove Karissa Deckard, Full-Time Magistrate Clerk II for the Magistrates, (Paygrade 11-E/\$11.06 per hour), effective April 7, 2021.**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to remove Donna Delozier, Full-Time Payroll Coordinator for Human Resources, (Paygrade 36-F/\$18.09 per hour), effective April 17, 2021.**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.**

**Commissioner Chernisky stated that the next Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 21, 2021, at Contres Greer Social Hall, Northern Cambria, at 6:05 p.m.**

**Adjournment:**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to adjourn the meeting.**

**Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.**

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**Michael Gelles, IV, Chief Clerk**