

CAMBRIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Minutes

May 21, 2020

Ebensburg, PA

May 7, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA

May 8, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA

May 11, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA

May 12, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA

May 13, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA

May 14, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA

May 15, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA

May 18, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA

May 19, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA

May 20, 2020

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 in the Jury Room of the Cambria County Courthouse, at 10:00 a.m.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to waive the reading of the Minutes of May 7, 2020, but to approve them and place them on file.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Public Comment:

John DeBartola commented that he believes the Commissioners should reopen the budget and make cuts so as to not have to raise taxes. He also believes that the Authorities have received or are receiving enough money and that the County should not have to bail them out or provide them with additional funding. He questioned if the County would ask the federal government for money to provide to local businesses that have been impacted by the pandemic.

Mr. DeBartola also stated that he received an anonymous letter regarding the Commissioners, and he provided a copy of said letter to the Commissioners.

Proclamations:

Proclamations were read and presented for Child Welfare Professionals Appreciation Week, National Emergency Medical Services Week, and World No Tobacco Day.

COMMISSIONERS

Resolutions:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve a Resolution authorizing the application of the 2021-2022 Highway Safety Grant Application.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve a Resolution approving and authorizing the submittal of a revision to the Fiscal Year 2019 Community Development Block Grant Program on behalf of Cambria Township.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Proposal:

Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to approve the proposal from Wessel & Company to extend the Auditing Services Agreement from 2020 through and including 2024, at a rate of \$120,000.00 per year.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.

Amendment:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the Amendment to the Citizen’s Participation Plan for the County of Cambria and all Entitlements, CDBG FY 2019, 2020, and CARES Act Funds.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Agreements:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the Advertising Contract between the Cambria County Transit Authority and Cambria County BH/ID & EI, beginning August 1, 2020, and ending July 31, 2021, in the amount of \$8,400.00.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to approve the 5-year Grant Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Agriculture, for the State Food Purchase Program.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to approve the Extended Service Agreement with Intertech Security, LLC, regarding security at the Cambria County Prison, effective June 1, 2020, for the following years and amounts:

2020	\$34,466.42	2021	\$37,193.07
2022	\$40,192.39	2023	\$43,491.61
2024	\$47,120.77		

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the Agreement with Intertech Security, LLC, for security upgrades at the Cambria County Prison, in the amount of \$247,984.00, effective January 4, 2021.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the Service Agreement with Motorola Solutions regarding dispatch console equipment at the Cambria County 911 Center, beginning June 1, 2020, and ending December 31, 2021, in the amount of \$31,475.78.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Change Order:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve Change Order No. 1 of Motorola Solutions to allow for equipment changes for the 911 System Upgrade Project, with no change to the contract price.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Contracts (Provided Funding is Available):

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve two (2) Service Contract Amendments for Cambria County Children & Youth Service FY 2019-2020 Budget:

ACRP		
	Service Provided	Rate
Original	Social Service Aid Workers for July 1, 2019, to March 31, 2020	Not to exceed \$129,628.08
Amended	Social Service Aid Workers for July 1, 2019, to June 30, 2020	Not to exceed \$129,628.08

Tabor Services, Inc.							
Cert #	Unit ID	Service Provided	Rate	Title IV-E Unallowable	Title IV-E Allowable	Allow Maint	Allow Admin
115000	XO	Kinship	\$76.74	.84	\$75.90	\$30.63	\$45.27
115000	ZA	SBH Kinship	\$99.61	.85	\$98.76	\$53.38	\$46.23

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve one (1) Service Contract for Cambria County Children & Youth Service FY 2019-2020 Budget:

Windber Area School District (WASD)	
Service Provided- Transportation for Education – Child R.P.	Rate
Foster Care Bus Transportation for child R.P. from 404 Main Street, Windber, PA. (or subsequent placement address within WASD determined by the Juvenile Court of Cambria County), to the Greater Johnstown Senior High School in Johnstown, PA. The rate of transportation will be split with each party paying half the cost (listed to the right under Rate). Windber Area School District will pay the transportation carrier and invoice Cambria CYS for ½ the cost for reimbursement on a monthly basis. Each party will follow all ESSA requirements and all applicable laws and regulations. Cambria County CYS will need the transportation provider and child to sign off on each trip to certify the child has been transported in order to make payments. This Agreement will be reviewed as the child's educational needs develop.	Total Cost = \$52.50/trip or \$105.00/round trip Or \$26.25/trip, and \$52.50 round trip for each entity

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Appointment:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the appointment of Mary Smith to the Drug & Alcohol Advisory Board, for a 3-year term beginning May 21, 2020, and ending December 31, 2022.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

New Hires:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to hire Michael Andrew Sylvester, Part-Time Public Defender for the Public Defender's Office, (Paygrade 48-A/\$26,249.00 annually), effective June 8, 2020. (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 Kelly Jones, Full-Time Court Reporter for the Courts, (Paygrade 47-K/\$55,546.40 annually), effective June 8, 2020. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment health screening).

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Transfer:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to transfer Ashlan Clark, Full-Time Public Defender for the Public Defender's Office, (Paygrade 48-L/\$52,379.60 annually), to Part-Time Public Defender for the Public Defender's Office, (Paygrade 48-A/\$27,370.00 annually), effective June 1, 2020.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Remove from Payroll:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Barbara Havener, Full-Time Clerk Typist II for Children & Youth Service, (Paygrade 15-L/\$29,291.34 annually), effective June 5, 2020.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Aaron Ling, Full-Time Assistant Public Defender for the Public Defender's Office, (Paygrade 48-L/\$51,880.92 annually), effective May 23, 2020.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Hikeen Frost, Per-Diem Correctional Officer I for the Prison, (Paygrade 26-A/\$14.00 per hour), effective May 8, 2020.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Brian Alexander, Full-Time Telecommunicator for the Department of Emergency Services, (Paygrade 35-F/\$12.78 per hour), effective May 14, 2020.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Brian Litzinger, Jr., Full-Time Lieutenant for the Prison, (Paygrade 67-C/\$50,310.00 annually), effective May 8, 2020.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Joshua McNulty, Per-Diem Correctional Officer I for the Prison, (Paygrade 26-A/\$14.00 per hour), effective May 8, 2020.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Debra Webb, Full-Time Court Reporter for Domestic Relations, (Paygrade 47-K/\$55,546.40 annually), effective May 30, 2020.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Commissioner Chernisky stated that the next regularly scheduled Commissioners' Meeting will be held on June 11, 2020, at Duman Park, Pavilion No. 10, at 10:00 a.m.

Adjournment:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to adjourn the meeting.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Michael Gelles, IV, Chief Clerk