

CAMBRIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Minutes

June 11, 2020

Ebensburg, PA
May 21, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA
May 22, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA
May 25, 2020

Courthouse closed in observance of Memorial Day.

Ebensburg, PA
May 26, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA
May 27, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA
May 28, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA
May 29, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA
June 1, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA
June 2, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA
June 3, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA
June 4, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA
June 5, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA
June 8, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA
June 9, 2020

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

Ebensburg, PA
June 10, 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 at Pavilion No. 10 at Duman Park, at 10:00 a.m.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to waive the reading of the Minutes of May 21, 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 filed three (3) Right to Know Requests looking for information regarding the War Memorial, the Sheriff's Office, and the 911 system upgrade. He also mentioned that there was a term expiring on the War Memorial Board; he questioned Ron Robertson's position with the County; and he stated that he hopes the County is keeping track of Covid-19 expenses so that it can get reimbursed.

Gene, a resident who lives near Duman Park, inquired as to projects that would be happening at the Park this year.

COMMISSIONERS

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the Citizen Participation Plan for the Cambria County Community Development Block Grant Program and other federal grant programs.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Resolution:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve a Resolution in Support of a Citizens Commission for Legislative and Congressional Redistricting.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Amendments:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the Second Amendment to the Cooperation Agreement between Cambria County, Johnstown Cambria County Airport Authority, and Nulton Aviation Services, Inc., regarding obligations as they pertain to the Multi-Modal Transportation Fund Grant.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve Amendment No. 2 to the Shared Distribution Agreement between the Counties of Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Cambria, Fayette, Greene, Indiana, Lawrence, Mercer, Somerset, Venango, and Westmoreland and The United Telephone Company of Pennsylvania, LLC, (CenturyLink), pertaining to WestCORE software support and managed services.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. N68336 with The United Telephone Company of Pennsylvania, LLC, (CenturyLink), to provide new equipment, software, maintenance, and services with regard to WestCORE.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Agreements:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the Community Development Block Grant Agreement, Contract No. C000073882, with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Community and Economic Development, in the amount of \$741,069.00, beginning May 22, 2020, and ending May 21, 2024.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve a contract with KTH Architects, Inc., to carry out work to be performed at the Johnstown Cambria County Airport with regard to the Multi-Modal Transportation Fund Grant.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the Intergovernmental Service Agreement with the City of Johnstown for Geographic Information Services (GIS).

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to approve the 2020 CARES Act Grant Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of State, in the amount of \$57,974.20, for Covid-19 related expenses with regard to the 2020 federal election cycle, being effective from March 28, 2020, until December 31, 2020.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to approve the 2020 Election Security (HAVA) Grant Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of State, in the amount of \$67,654.72, with regard to election improvements and security enhancements, being effective from December 21, 2019, through December 31, 2022.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the Letter Agreement between the Cambria County Prison and LexisNexis, at a monthly rate of \$745.00, beginning June 1, 2020, and ending May 31, 2023.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the Medical Assistance Transportation Program Participation Grant Agreement and Assurance of Compliance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance Transportation, beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the Agreement with Behavioral Health of Cambria County, regarding HealthChoices services, beginning July 1, 2020, and ending December 31, 2021.

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 for Cambria County Area Agency on Aging FY 2020-2021 Budget:

<u>VENDOR/CONTRACTOR</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES</u>	<u>CONTRACT AMOUNT</u> <u>FY 2019-2020</u>	<u>CONTRACT AMOUNT</u> <u>FY 2020-2021</u>
Nutrition, Inc.	Provide meals for AAA consumers.	\$2.95 primary/ \$3.17 emergency	\$3.04 primary/\$3.27 emergency

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Tax Refunds:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve a 2020 tax refund to David B. Kelly, Tax Map No. 60-023.-104.000, in the amount of \$261.65, due to an adjusted assessed value.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve a 2019 tax refund to Douglas D. and Jenny L. Strittmatter, Tax Map No. 02-012.-131.002, in the amount of \$355.97, due to an assessed value error.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve a tax refund to Bottling Group, LLC, Tax Map No. 50-008.-111.004, for the following years and amounts, pursuant to a Court Order entered in Case No. 2018-4857.

2019	\$8,258.71	2020	\$14,161.55
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Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve a tax refund to Lowes Home Centers, Inc., Tax Map No. 50-004.-128.004, for the following years and amounts, pursuant to a Court Order in Case No. 2018-4885.

2019	\$14,567.33	2020	\$14,567.33
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Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

New Hire:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to hire Karissa Conant, Full-Time Magistrate Clerk I for the Magistrates, (Paygrade 9-G/\$10.27 per hour), effective June 22, 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 Kimberly Feist, Full-Time Law Clerk for the Courts, (Paygrade 48-D/\$50,903.32 annually), to Full-Time Assistant Public Defender for the Public Defender's Office, (Paygrade 48-L/\$50,248.00 annually), effective June 15, 2020.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Remove from Payroll:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Kathy Eckenrode, Full-Time Conference Officer for Domestic Relations, (Paygrade 47-A/\$56,604.08 annually), effective June 27, 2020.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Barbara Plazek, Full-Time Clerk I for Domestic Relations, (Paygrade 6-C/\$10.05 per hour), effective May 30, 2020.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Sharon Knepper, Full-Time Juvenile Probation Officer for Juvenile Courts, (Paygrade 47-C/\$56,604.08 annually), effective June 17, 2020.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to remove Mary Little, Full-Time First Deputy for the Register of Wills Office, (Paygrade 49-A/\$23.53 per hour), effective June 13, 2020.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Brendan Gray, Per-Diem Correctional Officer I for the Prison, (Paygrade 26-A/\$14.00 per hour), effective May 1, 2020.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Commissioner Chernisky stated that he next regularly scheduled Commissioners' Meeting will be held on June 24, 2020, at the 1889 Clubhouse, 187-203 Main Street, St. Michael, 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.

Michael Gelles, IV, Chief Clerk