

CAMBRIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Minutes

October 27, 2022

**Ebensburg, PA
October 13, 2022**

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

**Ebensburg, PA
October 14, 2022**

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

**Ebensburg, PA
October 17, 2022**

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

**Ebensburg, PA
October 18, 2022**

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

**Ebensburg, PA
October 19, 2022**

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

**Ebensburg, PA
October 20, 2022**

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

**Ebensburg, PA
October 21, 2022**

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

**Ebensburg, PA
October 24, 2022**

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

**Ebensburg, PA
October 25, 2022**

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

**Ebensburg, PA
October 26, 2022**

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 Commissioners' Meeting was called to Order by President Commissioner Chernisky, in the Jury Room of the Cambria County Courthouse, at 10:01 a.m.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to waive the reading of the Minutes of the meeting held October 13, 2022, but to approve them and place them on file.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Public Comment:

None.

COMMISSIONERS

Notice of Executive Sessions:

- 1. October 24, 2022, meeting with Agency Department Heads.
- 2. October 24, 2022, meeting with Human Resources and Solicitor.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to amend the Agenda to include an Agreement for engineering services with L.R. Kimball.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the Agreement with L.R. Kimball for engineering services, with regard to the parking lot project in the City of Johnstown, in the amount of \$15,600.00.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Agreements:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the Mutual Non-Disclosure Agreement between the Cambria County Department of Emergency Services and the University of Alaska Fairbanks.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the Master Administrative Agreement between the University of Alaska Fairbanks and the Cambria County Department of Emergency Services for a drone partnership at the John Murtha Johnstown-Cambria County Airport.

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 Drug & Alcohol Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget:

Vendor	Description of Services	Rate
Prime Design Solutions, Inc.	Public communications media development.	\$4,165.00

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve three (3) Service Contracts for Cambria County BH/ID & EI Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget:

Vendor	Description of Services	Rate
Skills of Central PA, Inc.	Community habilitation services via care, support, and skills training with supervision.	\$288,622.00
Skills of Central PA, Inc.	Adult Development Training Program and Drop-In Center	\$134,005.00
Center for Community Resources	Licensed Crisis Intervention Services & Emergency Services-Delegate	\$320,000.00

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Change Orders:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the Change Order of Laurel Management Company, with regard to sanitary sewer lateral compliance testing at the 1st Summit Arena, at the Cambria County War Memorial, reducing the project amount by \$13,775.00, for a new project cost of \$33,800.00.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the Change Order of Laurel Management Company, with regard to sanitary sewer lateral compliance testing at the Cambria County Library, the Johnstown Senior Center, and the Central Park Complex Building, reducing the project amount by \$17,100.00, for a new project cost of \$20,970.00.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Tax Refund:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve a 2022 tax refund for DKTR Morgan, LLC, Control No. 34-060328, in the amount of \$685.38, per the Court Order entered at 2021-3516.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Tax Exonerations:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to authorize and direct the Tax Claim Bureau Director to strike, from the records in her office, taxes plus penalty, interest, and fees assessed against:

CONTROL NO.	MAP NO.	ASSESSED NAME	MUNICIPALITY	EXONERATE
17-52113	17-015.-113.000	Hogue, Charles E. & Tamara	Croyle Township	2021 school tax and fees. Returned in error. Tax collector/Homestead.
54-29632	54-008.-200.000	Curtis, James D., Sr.	South Fork Borough	2021 school tax and fees. Returned in error. Tax collector/Homestead.
84-5859	84-002.-213.000	Cauvin, Danielle	Johnstown 14th Ward	2021 taxes. Unsold at Judicial Sale. Now Repository.
87-10918	87-006.-232.000	Florida Gold Investment Corp.	Johnstown 17th Ward	2021 taxes. Sold at 8/11/22 Private Sale.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

New Hires:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to hire Abigail Toth, Full-Time Account Clerk I/Float for the Recorder of Deeds Office, (Paygrade 5-A/\$9.91 per hour), effective November 7, 2022. (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 Colt McKelvey, Part-Time Assistant Public Defender for the Public Defender’s Office, (Paygrade 48-A/\$26,975.66 annually), effective November 14, 2022. (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 Julia Gully, Full-Time Chief Investigator for the Public Defender’s Office, (Paygrade 49-H/\$11.91 per hour), effective October 31, 2022. (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 Melissa Leary, Full-Time Investigator for the District Attorney’s Office, (Paygrade 24-A/\$10.53 per hour), effective November 7, 2022. (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 Jessica Weil, Full-Time Assistant District Attorney for the District Attorney’s Office, (Paygrade 48-L/\$51,639.14 annually), effective November 14, 2022. (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 Mary Schellhammer, Part-Time Permanent Hearing Officer for Domestic Relations, (Paygrade 48-C/\$41,446.86 annually), effective October 31, 2022. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment health screening).

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Remove from Payroll:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Francis Kiefer, Jr., Full-Time Deputy Sheriff for the Sheriff's Office, (Paygrade 35-B/\$27.73 per hour), effective November 15, 2022.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Izaak Gray, Full-Time Adult Probation Officer for Adult Probation, (Paygrade 47-C/\$36,643.02 annually), effective October 24, 2022.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Matthew Gribler, Part-Time Assistant District Attorney for the District Attorney's Office, (Paygrade 48-A/\$28,054.78 annually), effective October 29, 2022.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Terri Roush, Full-Time Watchman/Custodian for Maintenance, (Paygrade 9-D/\$10.19 per hour), effective October 18, 2022.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Jessica Mills, Full-Time Social Work Supervisor for Children & Youth Service, (Paygrade 70-G/\$41,923.70 annually), effective November 5, 2022.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Isabelle Petrush, Full-Time Clerk Typist I for BH/ID & EI, (Paygrade 15-L/\$21,796.43 annually), effective October 28, 2022.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Miranda Labosky, Full-Time Social Services Aide I for Children & Youth Services, (Paygrade 15-V/\$22,425.00 annually), effective November 5, 2022.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Francis Fordick, III, Full-Time Custodian/Maintenance Worker I for Maintenance, (Paygrade 12-B/\$10.40 per hour), effective November 5, 2022.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove David Leverknight, Full-Time Correctional Officer I for the Prison, (Paygrade 26-A/\$23.62 per hour), effective November 6, 2022.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Rescind:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve rescinding the hiring of Ntando Gxuluwe, Part-Time Van Driver for the Area Agency on Aging, (Paygrade 9-J/\$10.44 per hour), effective October 17, 2022. (Action originally taken at the Commissioners' Meeting held October 13, 2022).

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve rescinding the hiring of Daniel Hill, Full-Time Maintenance Technician for the Prison, (Paygrade 25-G/\$18.00 per hour), effective October 31, 2022. (Action originally taken at the Commissioners' Meeting held October 13, 2022).

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Commissioner Chernisky stated that the next Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 17, 2022, in the Jury Room of the Cambria County Courthouse, 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