

CAMBRIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Minutes

March 14, 2024

**Ebensburg, PA
February 22, 2024**

Commissioners Scott W. Hunt, Keith Rager, and Thomas C. Chernisky present.

**Ebensburg, PA
February 23, 2024**

Commissioners Scott W. Hunt, Keith Rager, and Thomas C. Chernisky present.

**Ebensburg, PA
February 26, 2024**

Commissioners Scott W. Hunt, Keith Rager, and Thomas C. Chernisky present.

**Ebensburg, PA
February 27, 2024**

Commissioners Scott W. Hunt, Keith Rager, and Thomas C. Chernisky present.

**Ebensburg, PA
February 28, 2024**

Commissioners Scott W. Hunt, Keith Rager, and Thomas C. Chernisky present.

**Ebensburg, PA
February 29, 2024**

Commissioners Scott W. Hunt, Keith Rager, and Thomas C. Chernisky present.

**Ebensburg, PA
March 1, 2024**

Commissioners Scott W. Hunt, Keith Rager, and Thomas C. Chernisky present.

**Ebensburg, PA
March 4, 2024**

Commissioners Scott W. Hunt, Keith Rager, and Thomas C. Chernisky present.

**Ebensburg, PA
March 5, 2024**

Commissioners Scott W. Hunt, Keith Rager, and Thomas C. Chernisky present.

**Ebensburg, PA
March 6, 2024**

Commissioners Scott W. Hunt, Keith Rager, and Thomas C. Chernisky present.

**Ebensburg, PA
March 7, 2024**

Commissioners Scott W. Hunt, Keith Rager, and Thomas C. Chernisky present.

**Ebensburg, PA
March 8, 2024**

Commissioners Scott W. Hunt, Keith Rager, and Thomas C. Chernisky present.

**Ebensburg, PA
March 11, 2024**

Commissioners Scott W. Hunt, Keith Rager, and Thomas C. Chernisky present.

**Ebensburg, PA
March 12, 2024**

Commissioners Scott W. Hunt, Keith Rager, and Thomas C. Chernisky present.

**Ebensburg, PA
March 13, 2024**

Commissioners Scott W. Hunt, Keith Rager, and Thomas C. Chernisky present.

Commissioners in Session. Commissioners Scott W. Hunt, Keith Rager, and Thomas C. Chernisky were present.

The Commissioners' Meeting was called to Order by President Commissioner Scott W. Hunt in the Jury Room of the Cambria County Courthouse, Ebensburg, at 10:00 a.m.

Public Comment:

None.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to waive the reading of the Minutes of February 22, 2024, but to approve them and place them on file.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Notice of Executive Sessions:

- 1. March 11, 2024, meeting with Agency Department Heads.**
- 2. March 12, 2024, meetings with Human Resources and Solicitor.**

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve the purchase of furniture and educational resources, through state-allocated Drug & Alcohol funds, to be used at Flood City Youth Fitness Academy, in the amount of \$106,238.00.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Liquid Fuels:

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve 2024 Liquid Fuel Allocations.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Resolution:

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve the Designation of Agent Resolution with regard to the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Amendment:

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve the Sub-Recipient Agreement Amendment with Johnstown Area Regional Industries (JARI) to allow for additional job trainings.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Agreements:

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve the Mosquito-Borne Disease Control Grant Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Environmental Protection, beginning January 1, 2024, and ending December 31, 2024, in the amount of \$130,544.00.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve the Juvenile Probation Services Grant Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Juvenile Court Judges' Commission, beginning March 14, 2024, and ending June 30, 2024, in the amount of \$246,334.00.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve the Third Amended and Restated Agreement with Magellan Behavioral Health of Pennsylvania, Inc., to provide services with regard to the HealthChoices Program, beginning January 1, 2024, and ending December 31, 2025.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve the Grant Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency, for Continuing County Adult Probation and Parole Grant, in the amount of \$165,169.00, beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Contracts (Provided Funding is Available):

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve one (1) Service Contract Amendment for Cambria County Drug & Alcohol, Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Service Provided</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Bishop McCort Catholic High School	Vape detector reimbursement. Amend funding stream to ARP Prevention.	\$39,907.94 max (did not change)

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve one (1) Service Contract Amendment for Cambria County Human Services, Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Service Provided</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>New Amount</u>
1023 Group, Inc.	Provide support and services to the Emergency Rental Assistance Program to include, but not limited to, general fiscal services.	\$50,000.00	\$100,000.00

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve one (1) Service Contract for Cambria County BH/ID & EI, Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Service Provided</u>	<u>Amount</u>
North Star Services, Inc.	Provide support coordination to intellectually disabled individuals.	\$5,000.00

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve one (1) Service Contract for Cambria County Children & Youth Services, Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

Families United Network, Inc.					
<u>Cert No.</u>	<u>Unit ID</u>	<u>Service Provided</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Allowable Maintenance</u>	<u>Allowable Admin</u>
301060	LR	Arborvale Manor Life Readiness (Males)	\$247.66	\$208.01	\$39.65
361920	LO	Ashler Manor – Level 1 (Females)	\$265.26	\$220.89	\$44.37
361920	LT	Ashler Manor – Level 2 (Females)	\$274.31	\$228.15	\$46.16
306960	SC	Ashler Manor – Emergency Shelter Care (Females)	\$257.81	\$214.28	\$43.53

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

New Hires:

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to hire Candy Livingston, Full-Time Department Clerk I for the District Attorney’s Office, (Paygrade 3-B/\$12.41 per hour), effective March 18, 2024. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment health screening).

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to hire Tiffany Kephart, Full-Time Domestic Relations Clerk I for Domestic Relations, (Paygrade 6-C/\$12.59 per hour), effective March 18, 2024. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment health screening).

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to hire Aniyah King, Full-Time Caseworker I for BH/ID & EI, (Paygrade 41-E/\$31,531.50 annually), effective March 25, 2024. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment health screening).

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to hire Jason Shaw, Full-Time Clerk Typist I for Children & Youth Service, (Paygrade 7-B/\$24,199.50 annually), effective March 25, 2024. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment health screening).

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to hire Kaytlyn Smolen, Full-Time Legal Secretary for Juvenile Court, (Paygrade 23-C/\$13.65 per hour), effective March 25, 2024. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment health screening).

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Transfers:

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to transfer Christine Hinterliter, Full-Time Magistrate Clerk II for Magistrate Gindlesperger's Office, (Paygrade 11-E/\$14.41 per hour), to Full-Time Clerk Steno I for the District Attorney's Office, (Paygrade 5-B/\$12.55 per hour), effective March 6, 2024.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to transfer Melisa Lutch, Full-Time Casework Supervisor for Children & Youth Service, (Paygrade 61-E/\$60,526.96 annually), to Full-Time Caseworker II for BH/ID & EI, (Paygrade 43-C/\$57,500.61 annually), effective April 8, 2024.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Remove from Payroll:

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to remove John Rozum, Per-Diem Deputy Sheriff for the Sheriff's Office, (Paygrade 35-B/\$17.38 per hour), effective February 26, 2024.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to remove Joan Villa, Full-Time Quality Assurance Supervisor for the Department of Emergency Services, (Paygrade 48-N/\$29.61 per hour), effective March 30, 2024.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to remove Paula Roberts, Full-Time Administrative Assistant/Float for the Courts, (Paygrade 48-O/\$37,674.00 annually), effective April 5, 2024.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to remove Laura Pollino, Full-Time Caseworker II for BH/ID & EI, (Paygrade 43-C/\$58,909.76 annually), effective March 29, 2024.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to remove Kathryn Pitman, (Full-Time Social Worker I for Children & Youth Service, (Paygrade 47-J/\$60,205.86 annually), effective March 29, 2024.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to remove Roberta Fisher, Full-Time Fiscal Technician for Children & Youth Service, (Paygrade 30-F/\$27,807.00 annually), effective March 16, 2024.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to remove Stefanie Musser, Full-Time Caseworker I for Children & Youth Service, (Paygrade 52-C/\$38,356.50 annually), effective April 27, 2024.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to remove Trista Cory, Full-Time Caseworker II for Children & Youth Service, (Paygrade 53-A/\$40,274.52 annually), effective March 14, 2024.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Correction:

Motion was made by Commissioner Chernisky to approve correcting the effective date of Richard Cosgrove, Full-Time Caseworker I for BH/ID & EI, (Paygrade 41-E/\$31,531.50 annually), from March 4, 2024, to March 5, 2024.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Rager and passed unanimously.

Commissioner Hunt stated that the next regularly scheduled Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Thursday, April 11, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., in the Jury Room of the Cambria County Courthouse, Ebensburg.

Adjournment:

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to adjourn the meeting.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Alex M. Ashcom, Chief Clerk