

# CAMBRIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

## Minutes

June 27, 2024

Ebensburg, PA  
June 13, 2024

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

Ebensburg, PA  
June 14, 2024

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

Ebensburg, PA  
June 17, 2024

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

Ebensburg, PA  
June 18, 2024

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

Ebensburg, PA  
June 19, 2024

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

Ebensburg, PA  
June 20, 2024

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

Ebensburg, PA  
June 21, 2024

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

Ebensburg, PA  
June 24, 2024

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

Ebensburg, PA  
June 25, 2024

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

Ebensburg, PA  
June 26, 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, at Pavilion No. 10 of Duman Lake County Park, at 10:00 a.m.

**Public Comment:**

None.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to waive the reading of the Minutes of June 13, 2024, but to approve them and place them on file.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

**Notice of Executive Sessions:**

1. June 24, 2024, meeting with Agency Department Heads.
2. June 25, 2024, meetings with Human Resources and Solicitor.

**Policy:**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve the Service Animal Policy.**

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

**Agreements:**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve the Agreement with FAVOR Laurel Highlands to provide services related to the COSSUP Grant received by Cambria County Adult Probation, beginning June 13, 2024, and ending September 30, 2026, or until all grant funds have been expended, whichever occurs sooner.**

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

**Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve the Agreement with Keller Engineers to develop a Bridge Maintenance Program/Contract for County-owned bridges, in the amount of \$31,700.00.**

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

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

**Motion was made by Commissioner Chernisky to approve two (2) Service Contract Amendments for Cambria County BH/ID & EI, Fiscal Year 2023-2024.**

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Service Provided</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
St. Francis University	Pennsylvania's Independent Monitoring Project/Advisory Board to include functions within the Ebensburg Center under the IM4Q contract.	\$33,888.00	\$44,988.00
Center for Community Resources	Linkage, coordination, and monitoring services per needs of the intellectual disability individuals.	\$15,000.00	\$20,000.00

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

**Motion was made by Commissioner Chernisky to approve three (3) Service Contract Amendments for Cambria County Area Agency on Aging, Fiscal Year 2023-2024.**

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Service Provided</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Home Instead Senior Care	Personal Care Home Support	\$212,296.39	\$300,000.00
Information Age Technologies	Computer Tech Assistance	\$9,440.00	\$18,000.00
RezCare d/b/a PA Home Life	Personal Care Home Support	\$86,466.90	\$110,000.00

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

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

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Service Provided</u>	<u>Amount</u>
United Way of the Southern Alleghenies	Funding to help the PA 211 hotline.	\$18,000.00

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

**Motion was made by Commissioner Chernisky to approve three (3) Service Contracts for Cambria County BH/ID & EI, Fiscal Year 2024-2025.**

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Service Provided</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Global Wordsmiths, LLC	Language translation and interpretation services.	\$5,000.00
Leaps & Bounds Developmental Services, LLC	Early Intervention initial & annual evaluations.	\$100,000.00
Pediatric Therapy, LLC	Provide pediatric physical/occupational therapies, speech therapy, social work, and special instruction for behavior, hearing, & vision.	\$575,000.00

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

**Motion was made by Commissioner Chernisky to approve five (5) Service Contracts for Cambria County Drug & Alcohol, Fiscal Year 2024-2025.**

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Service Provided</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Flood City Boxing Academy, Inc., d/b/a Flood City Youth Fitness Academy	Education and alternative activities – programming.	\$393,720.58
Susquehanna Software, Inc.	CPR web software annual maintenance fee.	\$24,000.00
7 Mountains Media	Intervention – Advertising of treatment services (radio).	\$35,000.00
Sinclair Television of Fresno, LLC, d/b/a WJAC-TV	Intervention – Advertising of treatment services (television).	\$36,000.00

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

**Motion was made by Commissioner Chernisky to approve seven (7) Service Contracts for Cambria County Area Agency on Aging, Fiscal Year 2024-2025.**

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Service Provided</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Not to Exceed</u>
Cambria Health Services	Personal Care	\$21.00/hour	\$240,000.00/year
	Home Support	\$21.00/hour	
	LPN	\$50.00/hour	
	RN – Skilled	\$71.00/hour	
Care Smart Solutions	Personal Care	\$19.00/hour	\$100,000.00/year
	Home Support	\$19.00/hour	
Information Age Technologies	Computer Tech Assistance	\$130.00/hour	\$18,000.00/year
MedStaffers	Personal Care	\$20.00/hour	\$30,000.00/year
	Home Support	\$20.00/hour	
Messina Law	Legal Services	\$75.00/hour	\$30,000.00/year
Resta Home Health	Personal Care	\$19.00/hour	\$30,000.00/year
	Home Support	\$19.00/hour	
The Village of Nanty Glo	Temporary Housing for Protective Services	\$50.00/day	\$65,000.00/year

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

**Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to amend the Agenda.**

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

**Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to amend the column headings for the three (3) above-listed Contract Amendments for the Area Agency on Aging to read ‘Minimum’ and ‘Maximum,’ not ‘From’ and ‘To.’**

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

**Tax Exonerations:**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve 2023 tax exonerations for property owned by East Conemaugh Borough, for the following parcels and amounts:**

- 1. Control No. 22-016232 - \$724.99**
- 2. Control No. 22-016253 - \$150.81**
- 3. Control No. 22-016264 - \$764.23**
- 4. Control No. 22-016277 - \$647.80**
- 5. Control No. 22-015730 - \$832.55**
- 6. Control No. 22-015905 - \$199.06**

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

**PERSONNEL ACTIONS**

**New Hires:**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to hire Courtney Schmidt, Full-Time Magistrate Clerk I for Magistrate Gindlesperger’s Office, (Paygrade 9-G/\$12.82 per hour), effective July 8, 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 Kylie Kirsch, Full-Time Department Clerk I for the Register of Wills Office, (Paygrade 3-B/\$12.41 per hour), effective July 8, 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 Richard Corson, Per-Diem Correctional Officer I for the Prison, (Paygrade 26-A/\$14.00 per hour), effective July 8, 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 Ashtyn Mills-Mrozek, Per-Diem Correctional Officer I for the Prison, (Paygrade 26-A/\$14.00 per hour), effective July 8, 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 Corey Baxter, Full-Time Clerk Typist I for BH/ID & EI, (Paygrade 7-B/\$24,199.50 annually), effective July 8, 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 Emily Pollino, Full-Time Clerk Typist I for BH/ID & EI, (Paygrade 7-B/\$24,199.50 annually), effective July 8, 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 approve hiring the following individuals as Full-Time Correctional Officer I's for the Prison, (Paygrade 26-A/\$23.62 per hour), effective July 8, 2024. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment health screening).

Tanya Deyarmin  
Jordan Ford  
Chaney Pugh  
Vayda Hagerman

Alexander Short  
Travis McMullen  
Jared McCready

Kara Spanko  
Mark Przybys  
Hunter Renney

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

**Transfer:**

Motion was made by Commissioner Chernisky to transfer Christine Hinterliter, Full-Time Clerk Stenographer I for the District Attorney's Office, (Paygrade 5-B/\$12.55 per hour), to Full-Time Manager/DUI for the District Attorney's Office, (Paygrade 36-I/\$15.00 per hour), effective July 1, 2024.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Rager and passed unanimously.

**Remove from Payroll:**

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to remove Alyson Bodenschatz, Full-Time Domestic Relations Clerk II for Domestic Relations, (Paygrade 12-A/\$14.20 per hour), effective June 29, 2024.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to remove Georgianne Matava, Full-Time Tipstaff/Court Clerk for the Courts, (Paygrade 22-G/\$23,696.40 annually), effective June 29, 2024.

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

**Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to remove Juliana Kane, Full-Time Clerk Stenographer II for the District Attorney's Office, (Paygrade 11-B/\$14.01 per hour), effective June 28, 2024.**

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

**Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to remove Reginald Kohan, Full-Time Watchman/Custodian for Central Park Complex Maintenance, (Paygrade 9-D/\$19.86 per hour), effective July 6, 2024.**

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

**Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to remove Scott Krumenacker, Full-Time GIS Technician I for Tax Assessment, (Paygrade 48-T/\$14.29 per hour), effective June 29, 2024.**

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

**Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to remove Kristin Biter, Full-Time Clerk Typist I for Children & Youth Service, (Paygrade 7-B/\$24,706.50 annually), effective July 13, 2024.**

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

**Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to remove Casey Coll, Full-Time Department Clerk III for the District Attorney's Office, (Paygrade 15-E/\$15.76 per hour), effective July 6, 2024.**

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

**Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to remove Ivan Heresco, Full-Time Correctional Officer I for the Prison, (Paygrade 26-A/\$23.62 per hour), effective June 24, 2024.**

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

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

**Adjournment:**

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

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

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**Alex M. Ashcom, Chief Clerk**