

CAMBRIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Minutes

January 8, 2026

Ebensburg, PA
December 23, 2025

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

Ebensburg, PA
December 24, 2025

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

Ebensburg, PA
December 25, 2025

Courthouse closed – Christmas Day.

Ebensburg, PA
December 26, 2025

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

Ebensburg, PA
December 29, 2025

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

Ebensburg, PA
December 30, 2025

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

Ebensburg, PA
December 31, 2025

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

Ebensburg, PA
January 1, 2026

Courthouse closed – New Year’s Day.

Ebensburg, PA
January 2, 2026

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

Ebensburg, PA
January 5, 2026

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

Ebensburg, PA
January 6, 2026

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

Ebensburg, PA
January 7, 2026

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, at 10:00 a.m.

Public Comment:

Etta Albright spoke about gerrymandering and requested budget information from the Commissioners.

Notice of Executive Sessions:

1. January 5, 2026, meeting with Agency Department Heads.

2. January 6, 2026, meetings with Human Resources and Solicitor.

Emergency Operations Plan:

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve the Cambria County Emergency Operations Plan, effective January, 2026.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Directive:

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve the Travel Directive, effective immediately.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Agreements:

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve the Hazardous Material Response Fund Grant Agreement, No. C950005411, with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency, for a term beginning upon Commonwealth signature and ending on July 30, 2026, in an amount of \$8,284.00.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve the 911 Statewide Interconnectivity Grant Agreement, No. PEMA 2025-042, with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency, for a term beginning upon Commonwealth signature and ending on January 31, 2027, in an amount of \$156,037.45.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve the Grant Agreement, No. 2025-GA-ST-47675, with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency, beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, in the amount of \$163,050.00.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve the Agreement with Iron Data Works, LLC, with regard to the installation of cameras at the Cambria County Courthouse.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve the America250PA Bells Across Pennsylvania Host Agreement.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve the Fee Agreement with G. Scott Yates, CPA, LLC, to provide monthly accounting services for the Cambria County District Attorney's Office and the DUI Task Force, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, in the amount of \$2,500.00 annually.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Contract (Provided Funding is Available):

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve two (2) Service Contracts for Cambria County Children & Youth Service Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

Adelphoi Village, Inc.					
Unit ID Type	Service Provided	Gender	Group Home	DHS Cert	Rate
	<u>Residential Services</u>				
MH	Intensive Supervision – Mental Health Focus	Female	Colony	459880	\$476.81

MH	Intensive Supervision – Mental Health Focus	Female	Susan’s	444040	\$476.81
MH	Sexual Offenses – Mental Health Focus	Male	Benet	474850	\$476.81
MH	Sexual Offenses - Mental Health Focus	Male	Loyalhanna	448150	\$476.81
MH	Sexual Offenses – Mental Health Focus	Male	Williams	318370	\$476.81
FS	Female Sex Offenders	Female	Marker	420430	\$664.98
SM	Specialized Setting – Mental Health Focus	Female	Alliance	411060	\$536.01
SM	Specialized Setting – Mental Health Focus	Male	Raphael	429060	\$536.01
SM	Specialized Setting – Mental Health Focus	Male	Vincent	421880	\$536.01
CC	Complex Case	Male	Hilltop	329670	\$1,193.01
ES	Enhanced Supervision	Male	Manor	333980	\$533.83
LQ	Sexual Offenses – La Sa Quik (Eastern Region)	Male	La Sa Quik	329120	\$472.65
DN	Detention	Male	Manor	338400	\$779.50
SS	Secure – Sexual Offense	Male	Middle Creek I	473050	\$604.67
SC	Secure	Male	Middle Creek III	445280	\$611.19
SC	Secure	Female	Middle Creek IV	454430	\$611.19
IL	Specialized Independent Living	Male	Saxman	446260	\$370.42
Additional Service Charges					
	Diagnostic Evaluation (per service rate)	M/F			\$3,436.14
	Psychological Services (hourly rate)	M/F	n/a		\$197.50
	Polygraphs	M/F	n/a		\$497.48
	Juvenile Sexual Offender Assessment – Includes ABEL, JSOAP II, SAI-J sexual history assessments and court testimony.	M/F	n/a		\$1,534.96
Multisystemic Therapy Services					
	*MST – Non-MA Eligible	M/F	n/a		*\$103.15
Foster Care					
IF	Foster Care – Intensive	M/F	n/a	Multiple 423940	\$104.15
IK	Foster Care – Intensive Kinship	M/F	n/a	Multiple 423940	\$104.14
PP	Foster Care – Pregnant and Parenting	Female	n/a	Multiple 423940	\$110.03
PK	Foster Care – Pregnant and Parenting Kinship	Female	n/a	Multiple 423940	\$109.72
TF	Foster Care – Teen Focused	M/F	n/a	Multiple 423940	\$118.12
TK	Foster Care – Teen Focused Kinship	M/F	n/a	Multiple 423940	\$118.58
AO	Foster Care – Agency Owned	M/F	n/a	423940	\$219.31
Community-Based Services					
	Family Relationship Coaching (Visitation) (FRC) (15 min.)	M/F	n/a		\$29.35
	Family Finding	M/F	n/a		\$45.50
	In Home Prevention, Treatment, Aftercare (IHPTA)	M/F	n/a		\$91.76
	Truancy Division (15-minute rate)	M/F	n/a		\$25.14
Day Treatment					
	Day Treatment – School Year	M/F	n/a		\$81.14

*MST – Non-MA Eligible: This is the rate Adelphoi Village will bill the County until the MCO begins to cover the service.

Professional Consultancy Services SOW
Computer Aid, Inc. (CAI)

Service Provided	Rate
Professional Fiscal Consulting Services: (Up to a total of 1,800 Hours) January, 2026 - December, 2026	Rate: \$115.00 per hour Maximum of \$207,000.00

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Reappointment:

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve reappointing Anne Johnston to the Cambria County Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council, for a 3-year term, beginning January 1, 2026, and ending December 31, 2028.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

New Hires:

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/\$24.96 [2080 hours] per hour), effective January 20, 2026. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment health screening).

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| Christina Berkhimer | Michael Clawson | Leroy Wheeler, III |
| Isaac Bellomo | Charles Dolanskey | Carrie Martynuska |
| Keri Beiswenger | Melissa Gillin | Christopher Smith |
| Jason Link | Ryan Holgash | |

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Chernisky to amend the following item to include hiring Jason Kopnick.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Rager and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Chernisky to approve hiring the following individuals as Per-Diem Correctional Officer I’s for the Prison, (Paygrade 13-G/\$18.00 [1000 hours] per hour), effective January 20, 2026. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment

health screening).

Jacob Fitzpatrick
Barbara Steiner

Dylan Segada
Jason Kopnicky

John Forsythe

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Rager and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to approve hiring Timothy DePetro, Full-Time Department Clerk I for the Register of Wills Office, (Paygrade 3-B/\$13.23 [1820 hours] per hour), effective January 20, 2026. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment health screening).

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Transfer:

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to transfer Gabriel Davis, Full-Time Telecommunicator for the Department of Emergency Services, (Paygrade 35-F/\$18.45 [2080 hours] per hour), to Full-Time Correctional Officer I for the Prison, (Paygrade 26-A/\$24.96 [2080 hours] per hour), effective January 20, 2026.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Remove from Payroll:

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to remove Emily Pollino, Full-Time Clerk Typist I for BHDS, (Paygrade 15-L/\$32,760.00 [1950 hours] annually), effective January 3, 2026.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to remove Ashlee Mulraney, Full-Time Correctional Officer I for the Prison, (Paygrade 26-A/\$24.65 [2080 hours] per hour), effective December 30, 2025.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to remove Jason Chapaloney, Full-Time Correctional Officer I for the Prison, (Paygrade 26-A/\$24.29 [2080 hours] per hour), effective December 23, 2025.

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, January 22, 2026, at 10:00 a.m., at the Northern Cambria Municipal Building, 1202 Philadelphia Avenue, Rear, Northern Cambria.

Adjournment:

Motion was made by Commissioner Rager to adjourn the meeting.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Chernisky and passed unanimously.