

BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Public Meeting
Wednesday, July 21, 2021
10:00 a.m.

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Chairman Leslie Osche
Commissioner Kimberly Geyer
Commissioner Kevin Boozel
Lori Altman, Dir. Human Resources/Chief Clerk
Ann Brown, Budget & HS Finance Director
H. William White, III, Solicitor
Maria Malloy, Admin. Assistant
Lori Shah, Admin. Assistant
Pam Hammonds, Admin. Assistant
Amanda Feltenberger, Human Services
Mark Gordon, Planning
Candace Graff, Court Administration

Leslie Powers, Controller's Office
Brandon Savochka, Human Services
Aaron Sheasley, Elections
Kristin Wilson, Controller's Office

VISITORS:

Michael Chopp, Center Township
Eric Edwards, Renfrew

MEDIA:

Tyler Friel, Butler Radio
Paula Grubbs, Butler Eagle

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The regular public meeting of the Butler County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Leslie Osche at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 21, 2021, in the Planning Department's Large Conference Room.

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A moment of silent prayer was observed, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

No public comment was made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Osche called for a motion to approve the July 7, 2021 Public Meeting minutes.

Commissioner Boozel made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Geyer. The motion carried unanimously.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- Recognition of the 101st Anniversary of the Rotary Club of Butler
- Citation: Koeppen Alignment Service
- Citation: Hutchinson's Dry Cleaners

OLD BUSINESS

None

BOARD OF ELECTIONS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Court Administration

1. Candace Graff requested approval of three, 3-year proposed WEST contracts with Thomson Reuters, each with a 3% annual increase as follows, with authorization for the Chairman to sign:
 - a. Butler County Law Library – Patron Access Electronic: In the amount of \$3,644.80/month (this is a reduction from 3 to 2 seats).

Commissioner Boozel made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Geyer. The motion carried unanimously.

- b. Butler County Common Pleas Court – Judges/Law Clerk Electronic: In the amount of \$4,438.40/month (this is an increase from 15 to 18 users).

Commissioner Geyer made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Boozel. The motion carried unanimously.

- c. Butler County Law Library – Print: In the amount of \$1,632.58/month, (this is a 1st year increase of \$122.58).

Commissioner Boozel made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Geyer. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Facilities & Operations

1. On behalf of John Campbell, Chief Clerk Lori Altman requested ratification of a Job Order with Gordian/Clark Contractors, Inc. for Courthouse HVAC Design in the amount of \$37,878.34.

Commissioner Geyer made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Boozel. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Chief Clerk Lori Altman requested approval of a quote from Allegheny Safe & Lock for Software Maintenance for up to 128 doors (for the Government Center, Courthouse, Annex, 911 and Sunnyview Complex) in the amount of \$3,120, a 10% increase.

Commissioner Boozel made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Geyer. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Chief Clerk Lori Altman requested approval of an agreement with Croll's Mills Auctions for the 2021 Countywide Auction being held on October 2, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., at McCune Drive. Terms include 6% commission; \$10/labor fee for three individuals; and \$800 estimated cost for advertisement, with authorization for the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Geyer made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Boozel. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Human Services (See Attachment Book for details)

1. Brandon Savochka requested approval of the following contract amendments for FY 2020/21:
 - a. ARC Human Services – increase MH Residential Service \$10,000; change to Fee-for-Service w/Cost Settlement.

Commissioner Boozel made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Geyer. The motion carried unanimously.

b. Catholic Charities HUD Path – increase Trans Living \$1,446.

Commissioner Geyer made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Boozel. The motion carried unanimously.

c. Community Care Connections – change Homemaker Chore & Adult Life Skills to Fee-for-Service w/Cost Settlement.

Commissioner Boozel made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Geyer. The motion carried unanimously.

d. Grapevine – increase Drop-In Center \$30,000 for the purchase of a vehicle (van).

Commissioner Geyer made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Boozel. The motion carried unanimously.

e. Lighthouse – add \$8,000 Bridge Housing; \$400 Case Management.

Commissioner Boozel made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Geyer. The motion carried unanimously.

f. Mental Health Association – increase Rep Payee \$64,778 to upgrade the HVAC system.

Commissioner Boozel made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Geyer. The motion carried unanimously.

g. Non-Profit Development Corporation HUD – decrease Path Trans Age \$1,446.

Commissioner Boozel made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Geyer. The motion carried unanimously.

h. The Care Center – add \$36,000 for North Main Street expansion.

Commissioner Boozel made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Geyer. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Brandon Savochka requested approval to upgrade Laserfische (document management) contract with Atlantic Tomorrow's Office in the amount of \$1,750 (contract attached), with the Solicitor's recommended changes.

Commissioner Geyer made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Boozel. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Brandon Savochka requested approval of the submission of the 2021/22 Human Services Block Grant Plan to the PA Department of Human Services. Also requesting that the Commissioners sign the Assurance of Compliance form that is required to be submitted with the plan (attached).

Commissioner Geyer made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Boozel. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Brandon Savochka requested approval of the following Early Intervention contracts for FY 2021/22:
 - a. AccessAbilities
 - b. Achieva Support
 - c. Advance Wellness & Education Center
 - d. Adventure Time Pediatric
 - e. Christine Cooper
 - f. Early Intervention Specialists
 - g. Integrated Care Corporation
 - h. Next Step Therapy
 - i. Pediatric Therapy Professionals
 - j. Positive Steps Therapy
 - k. RehabLinks
 - l. Sensory Link
 - m. TEIS
 - n. Therapy House
 - o. Western PA School for the Deaf

Commissioner Boozel made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Geyer. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Human Services – Drug & Alcohol (See Attachment Book for details)

1. Brandon Savochka requested approval of the following contract amendment for FY 2020/21:
 - a. The Care Center dba SPSHS Care Center – move a total of \$2,800 in SAPTBG and SOR funding from CRS Operational Costs to CRS Personnel Staff & Benefits.

Commissioner Geyer made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Boozel. The motion carried unanimously.

E. Human Services – Children & Youth (See Attachment Book for details)

1. Brandon Savochka requested approval of the following contracts with Butler County Children and Youth/Juvenile Probation for the FY 7/1/21- 6/30/22:
 - a. Bethesda Lutheran Services
 - b. City Mission – Living Stone, Inc. (ASPIRE)
 - c. Mark Snyder

Commissioner Geyer made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Boozel. The motion carried unanimously.

F. Planning - CDBG

1. On behalf of Wendy Leslie, Chief Clerk Lori Altman requested approval to enter into a cooperation agreement between the County of Butler, Penn Township and the Redevelopment Authority of the County of Butler to administer the Penn Township housing rehabilitation program using Penn Township's 2020 CDBG funding of \$84,894; there are no County dollars involved.

Commissioner Geyer made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Boozel. The motion carried unanimously.

2. On behalf of Wendy Leslie, Chief Clerk Lori Altman requested approval to enter into a cooperation agreement between the County of Butler, Slippery Rock Township and the Redevelopment Authority of the County of Butler to administer the Slippery Rock Township housing rehabilitation program using Slippery Rock Township's 2020 CDBG funding of \$54,894.05; there are no County dollars involved.

Commissioner Boozel made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Geyer. The motion carried unanimously.

G. Commissioners

1. Solicitor Wil White updated the board on the PHFA Grant award for the Butler County Homeowners Occupied Rehabilitation Program (PHARE Fund Grant) in the amount of \$250,000, regarding Resolution No. 2020-27, approved in September 2020 (previous request was increased by \$50,000).
2. Chief Clerk Lori Altman requested approval to appoint Joyce Schnur to the Butler County Airport Authority Board, replacing Tim Shields, whose term expires on 5/30/24.

Commissioner Geyer made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Boozel. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Solicitor Wil White requested approval of an amendment to the agreement dated 12/23/20 for the Emergency Owner-Occupied Repair Program with the Housing Authority, in an amount not to exceed \$75,000, bringing the total Act 137 funds for 2021 not to exceed \$150,000.

Commissioner Boozel made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Geyer. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BUDGETARY TRANSFERS, RATIFICATION OF PERSONNEL TRANSACTIONS, TRAVEL REQUESTS, REQUISITIONS AND CHECK REGISTER

Commissioner Boozel made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Geyer. The motion carried unanimously.

CONFERENCE TIME WITH MEDIA

The minutes were suspended for conference time with the media.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON GENERAL ITEMS

Michael Chopp, a 25-year resident of Center Township, spoke briefly regarding election fraud.

Erik Edwards of Renfrew spoke briefly regarding election fraud.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Osche called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Boozel made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Geyer. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Hammonds
Recording Administrative Assistant
Approved: 8/18/21

BUTLER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING SCHEDULE:

NEXT PUBLIC MEETING:

Thursday, August 18, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

LOCATION:

**Government Center Annex Planning Department's
Large Conference Room, Floor UL**

Public Meeting Calendar is available online at <https://www.butlercountypa.gov/>