

BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Public Meeting
Wednesday, October 19, 2022
10:00 a.m.

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Chairman Leslie Osche
Commissioner Kimberly Geyer
Commissioner Kevin Boozel
Lori Altman, Dir. Human Res./Chief Clerk
Ann Brown, Budget & HS Finance Director
H. William White, III, Solicitor
Maria Malloy, Deputy Clerk
Lori Shah, Admin. Assistant
Renee Manna, Admin. Assistant
Pam Hammonds, Admin. Assistant
Matthew Vickless, Commissioners' Office
Mary Lou Cypher, Controller's Office
Mark Gordon, Planning
Kevin Gray, Planning/Bridges
Mike Hillwig, F&O
Leslie Powers, Controller's Office
Brandon Savochnka, Human Services
Mike Slupe, Sheriff

VISITORS:

Karen Barbati, Lancaster Twp.
Carol Christner, Clinton Twp.
Kimberly Hall, Forward Twp.
Zach Scherer, Donegal Twp.
Nina Teff, Butler Twp.

MEDIA:

Tyler Friel, Butler Radio
Molly Miller, 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 10:04 a.m. on Wednesday, October 19, 2022, in the Public Meeting Room, 1st Floor Government Center.

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 October 5, 2022 Public Meeting minutes.

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

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

-- Eagle Scout Citations to be presented on October 22, 2022:

- Patrick McCarthy, Troop #403
- Brody Schmitt, Troop #403

OLD BUSINESS

None

BOARD OF ELECTIONS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Sheriff

1. Sheriff Mike Slupe requested ratification of a grant application with the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) in the amount of \$375,683 for mobile mass spectrometers to be shared by local law enforcement agencies for detection of chemical substances.

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

B. Facilities & Operations

1. Mike Hillwig requested approval of a quote from brightspeed for two analog lines for the Butler Township Magistrate Office located at 530 Fairground Hill Road, Butler, at a cost of \$50/line per month, plus a one-time \$95/line activation fee (no contract, month-to-month basis).

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

C. Human Resources

1. Chief Clerk Lori Altman requested approval to accept the Highmark Renewal for hospitalization/prescription coverage for County employees (at the rate of a 5% decrease below current premium levels) and dental (no increase from 2022 premiums) for calendar year 2023 (1/1/23 – 12/31/23), with an option for a 10% cap in 2024.

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

D. Human Services (See Attachment Book for details)

1. Brandon Savochka requested approval of a contract amendment with CCR #2 to add \$1,369,780.11 to ERAP (3/1/21 – 9/30/22) for a new program maximum of \$7,966,776.11, and to add \$354,205.13 to ERAP – 2 High Needs, for a new program maximum of \$729,970.41.

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

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

1. Brandon Savochka requested approval of a contract for FY 2022/23 with Butler Healthcare Providers dba Butler Memorial Hospital.

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

F. Information Technology

1. On behalf of Jim Venturini, Solicitor Wil White requested approval of a Memorandum of Agreement for Services with the Department of State offering fee-based services to state

and local governments and elections entities, with authorization for the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Boozel made the motion; seconded by Commissioner Geyer. An amended motion was made by Commissioners Boozel and seconded by Commissioner Geyer to table this item until next month. The motion carried unanimously.

G. Planning

1. Mark Gordon requested approval of a 2-year (7/1/22 – 6/30/24) Agreement between Southwestern Pennsylvania Corporation and Butler County Planning for work in SPC’s approved Unified Planning Work Program in the amount of \$17,252/fiscal year, and an in-kind Service Match of \$4,313/fiscal year.

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

2. Mark Gordon requested approval to allocate \$500,000 of Butler County American Rescue Plan funds to remediation of the AC Valley Industrial Park water and sewer systems. Both of these systems are failing and are currently under a PADEP Consent Decree and in the judicial process. Additionally, approval for the Chairman to execute a letter of request to Armstrong, Clarion and Venango Counties for a matching gift of \$500,000 each towards this estimated \$5 to \$5.5 million project.

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

H. Planning - Bridges

1. Kevin Gray requested approval to award the bid for the Precast Concrete Deck Panels for the White Bridge in Evans City Boro to Brayman Precast, LLC of Saxonburg, PA, for the amount of \$133,000, and also accept the additional bid of \$39,400 to put concrete on the sides, for a total of \$172,400.

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

2. Kevin Gray requested approval to award the bid for Steel Piles Installation for the White Bridge in Evans City Boro to Carmen Paliotta Contracting, Inc. of South Park, PA, for the amount of \$57,900.

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

I. Prison

1. On behalf of Joe DeMore, Sheriff Mike Slupe requested approval of a renewal Memorandum of Understanding with Franklin County for the period 1/1/23 – 12/31/23 to accept the commitment of adult offenders (over the age of 18) at the rate of \$60/day per inmate.

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

J. Commissioners

1. Solicitor Wil White requested approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Butler and Community Partnership, Inc. authorizing Community Partnership, Inc. to temporarily utilize County Building No. 8 located within the Sunnyview facility complex for purposes of administering the Community Food Bank Program on a month-to-month basis, with authorization

for the Chief Clerk to sign.

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

2. Solicitor Wil White requested approval of Resolution No. 2022-23 supporting the Redevelopment Authority's application for PHARE funds in the amount of \$250,000 for the BAR Program or other housing-related needs of the County.

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

3. Chief Clerk Lori Altman requested approval of Quote with Tyler Technologies for the Time & Attendance for the punching in/out of employees at the 911 Center and Prison for payroll purposes for the one-time cost of \$59,211, which includes 3 Touchscreen time clocks and a recurring annual maintenance fee of \$6,169, with authorization for the Chairman to sign.

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

CONFERENCE TIME WITH MEDIA

PUBLIC COMMENT ON GENERAL ITEMS

No public comment was made.

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 10:49 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Hammonds
Recording Administrative Assistant
Approved: 11/16/22

BUTLER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING SCHEDULE:

NEXT PUBLIC MEETING: Wednesday, November 16, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.
LOCATION: Pubic Meeting Room, 1st Floor, Government Center

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

NOTE: Agenda is subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.