

Clarion County Board of Commissioners
MEETING MINUTES

October 27th, 2020

Those Attending: Jeff Smathers - DPS, Jillian Fischer - County Administrator, Randy Bartley - Press, Ron Wilshire - Press, Evanne Gareis - Press

Call to Order: Commissioner Brosius called the meeting to order at 10:07 AM

Roll Call: Commissioner Brosius Present
Commissioner Tharan Present
Commissioner Heasley Present

Approval of the Agenda:

On a motion make by Commissioner Heasley and second by Commissioner Tharan to approve the agenda, the motion passed without opposition.

Approval of the minutes dated October 15th, 2020:

On a motion make by Commissioner Heasley and second by Commissioner Tharan to approve the agenda, the motion passed without opposition.

Correspondence:

Treasure's Report

Announcements

- Work Session on Wednesday, November 4th, 2020 at 9 AM in the Admin conference room.
- Commissioner/Salary Board meeting on Tuesday, November 10th, 2020 at 10 AM in the Admin conference room
- Sheriff Munsee hired Brandon J. Callender to fill the vacant position of Deputy Sheriff. Part-Time, non-exempt. Salary: \$12.01/hour. Effective Date: 10/21/2020

Business:

- 1 Resolution #18 of 2020 - Sheriffs vehicle little to no value

On a motion made by Commissioner Tharan and a second by Commissioner Heasley to approve Resolution #18, the motion passed.

Roll Call: Commissioner Brosius - Yes, Commissioner Tharan - Yes, Commissioner Heasley - Yes



- 2 Letter of support on behalf of Monroe Township for PennDOT Multimodal Transportation Fund application. Project name: Phase 4 YMCA Access Corridor Safety Improvements.

On a motion made by Commissioner Tharan and a second by Commissioner Heasley to approve the letter of support, the motion passed.

Roll Call: Commissioner Brosius - Yes, Commissioner Tharan - Yes, Commissioner Heasley - Yes

- 3 Assignments of Rights - Pennsylvania Counties Risk Pool ("PCoRP")

On a motion made by Commissioner Tharan and a second by Commissioner Heasley to approve the Assignment of Rights, the motion passed.

Roll Call: Commissioner Brosius - Yes, Commissioner Tharan - Yes, Commissioner Heasley - Yes

- 4 Contract with Chris Gabriel (Carfardi, Ferguson, Wyick, Weiss, Gabriel, LLC) for county solicitor. Cost: \$139,000 ("do not exceed" amount). Fee Schedule: Chris Gabriel \$210/hour, Stephanie Fera \$190/hour, paralegal services \$135/hour.
On a motion made by Commissioner Tharan and a second by Commissioner Heasley to approve the contract with Chris Gabriel (Carfardi, Ferguson, Wyick, Weiss, Gabriel, LLC) for county solicitor, the motion passed.
Roll Call: Commissioner Brosius - Yes, Commissioner Tharan - Yes, Commissioner Heasley - Yes
- 5 Letters of Authorization for PEMA audit of 9-1-1 phone trunks.
On a motion made by Commissioner Heasley and a second by Commissioner Tharan to approve the Letters of Authorization for PEMA, the motion passed.
Roll Call: Commissioner Brosius - Yes, Commissioner Tharan - Yes, Commissioner Heasley - Yes
- 6 Contract on behalf of CYS with Outside In School of Experiential Education, Inc. for residential services. Term: October 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021. Cost: \$266.58 - \$290.00 per day. County Match: 40%.
Corrections. New hire. Sherry Nicolli to fill the vacant position of Part-Time Corrections Officer.
On a motion made by Commissioner Tharan and a second by Commissioner Heasley to approve the contract on behalf of CYS with Outside In School of Experiential Education, Inc., the motion passed.
Roll Call: Commissioner Brosius - Yes, Commissioner Tharan - Yes, Commissioner Heasley - Yes
- 7 Agreement with Amos E. Rudolph, Architecture, LLC for Permit and Constructional Drawings for the renovations for 160 Amsler Avenue, Shipperville, PA. Cost: \$17,100.00.
On a motion made by Commissioner Tharan and a second by Commissioner Heasley to approve the agreement with Amos E. Randolph, the motion passed.
Roll Call: Commissioner Brosius - Yes, Commissioner Tharan - Yes, Commissioner Heasley - Yes
- 8 Termination of Gabriel Rupert (Corrections) effective date 10/15/2020 and Kacey Ewing (CYS) effective date 10/30/2020.
On a motion made by Commissioner Tharan and a second by Commissioner Heasley to approve the termination, the motion passed.
Roll Call: Commissioner Brosius - Yes, Commissioner Tharan - Yes, Commissioner Heasley - Yes
- 9 Commissioners. Mindy Frampton to receive \$250/week stipend due to temporarily working out of class January 1, 2020 to April 30, 2020.
On a motion made by Commissioner Tharan and a second by Commissioner Heasley to approve the stipend, the motion passed.
Roll Call: Commissioner Brosius - Yes, Commissioner Tharan - Yes, Commissioner Heasley - Yes
- 10 Corrections. New hire. Sherry Nicolli to fill the vacant position of Part-Time Corrections Officer. Part-Time, non-exempt, no more than 29 hours/week. Salary: \$12.00/hour. Effective Date: 11/2/2020.
On a motion made by Commissioner Heasley and a second by Commissioner Tharan to approve the new hire, the motion passed.
Roll Call: Commissioner Brosius - Yes, Commissioner Tharan - Yes, Commissioner Heasley - Yes
- 11 Maintenance. New hires. Delmar Lauer and Eric Lauer to fill the vacant positions of Temporary Part-Time Maintenance Employee. Part-Time, non-exempt, no more than 1,000 hours/year. Salary: \$35.00/hour. Effective Date: 10/19/2020.
On a motion made by Commissioner Tharan and a second by Commissioner Heasley to approve the new hires, the motion passed.
Roll Call: Commissioner Brosius - Yes, Commissioner Tharan - Yes, Commissioner Heasley - Yes
- 12 Request to refund County's portion of 2020 taxes dues to incorrect assessed value for 2019 school and 2020 county/township taxes for map number: 18-020-154-000-00.
On a motion made by Commissioner Tharan and a second by Commissioner Heasley to approve the request to refund County's portion of 2020 taxes, the motion passed.
Roll Call: Commissioner Brosius - Yes, Commissioner Tharan - Yes, Commissioner Heasley - Yes
- 13 CYS. FY 19/20 - 4th quarter County match : \$104,319.46

- a. Act 148: \$16,231.00
- b. Special Grants: \$21,005.00
- c. IL Grant: \$49,985.56
- d. IT Grant: \$17,097.90

On a motion made by Commissioner Tharan and a second by Commissioner Heasley to approve the CYS FY 19/20 - 4ht quarter County match, the motion passed.

Roll Call: Commissioner Brosius - Yes, Commissioner Tharan - Yes, Commissioner Heasley - Yes

14 MH/DD. FY 19/20 County match: \$106,334.00.

- a. Carryover for 18/19
- b. MH Local Match: \$57,262.00
- c. DD Local Match: \$22,896.00
- d. EI Local Match: \$27,037.00

On a motion made by Commissioner Heasley and a second by Commissioner Tharan to approve the MH/DD FY 19/20 County match, the motion passed.

Roll Call: Commissioner Brosius - Yes, Commissioner Tharan - Yes, Commissioner Heasley - Yes

15 Transfers from October 8th, to October 22nd, 2020. Public Defender \$500.00 from Investigators to Court Reporters. GIS \$1,635.00 from Medical Expense to Materials & Supplies. Courts \$418.32 from Board of Reviewers to Professional Services. District Court 18-3-01 \$645.00 from Constables to Maintenance Equipment.

On a motion made by Commissioner Heasley and a second by Commissioner Tharan to approve the transfers, the motion passed.

Roll Call: Commissioner Brosius - Yes, Commissioner Tharan - Yes, Commissioner Heasley - Yes

16 Approval of the county expenditures bills:

• General Fund, dated from October 8th to October 22nd,	Total:	\$431,638.15
• Human Services, dated from October 8th to October 22nd,	Total:	\$728,010.82
• 9-1-1 Checking, dated from October 8th to October 22nd,	Total:	\$38,063.66
• Transportation, dated from September October 8th to	Total:	\$148,218.95
• Misc., dated from October 8th to October 22nd, 2020	Total:	\$150,493.07

On a motion made by Commissioner Tharan and a second by Commissioner Heasley to approve the county expenditures bills, the motion passed.

Roll Call: Commissioner Brosius - Yes, Commissioner Tharan - Yes, Commissioner Heasley - Yes

Other Business

Department Head Questions or Comments

Public Questions and Answer Period

Ron Wilshire asked, "Are there any ongoing talks with C-L for public safety with the Sheriffs office?"

Commissioner Heasley answered, "There is no new discussion."

Randy Bartley asked, "Could you explain the Monroe Township applying for with the Multimodal Fund?"

Commissioner Brosius answered, "Its the project down by the YMCA for widening Mayfield Road."

Randy Bartley asked, "What is the agreement with Amos E. Randolph?"

Commissioner Tharan answered, "This is for the building on Amsler Avenue, the whole building."

Randy Barley asked, "I am confused for the money being paid for the County Solicitor. I have never seen Gabriel, Logue Esquire here a lot. But, she is not involved with this outfit. What does he do for \$139,000 a year?"

Commissioner Brosius answered, "He is the main solicitor for the county. That number is a not to exceed number. So, if we are not billed for that amount we won't pay that amount. And, this year we used them a lot more than what we actually paid for."

Ron Wilshire asked, "Is he used for labor contracts?"

Commissioner Heasley answered, "Yes, all of our labor contract negotiations."

Commissioner Tharan answer, "They have spent a lot of money on all of the lawsuits over the elections right now. And, they will be spending a lot next year because it won't be over yet."

Randy Bartley asked, "To the common tax payer, Logue Esquire is the one who is here on the ground running and here every week answering questions."

Commissioner Tharan answered, "She is here for the meetings and she answers to Mr. Gabriel as the assistant solicitor."

Commissioner Heasley answered, "She helps out the most in Assessment and Tax Claims."

Randy Bartley asked, "Have you had any feedback on the Supreme Court said no for counting six days past election day affecting Pennsylvania?"

Commissioner Brosius answered, "It's only three days. It still hasn't passed per our solicitor."

Evanne Gareis asked, "Is Item #7 for drawings of the whole building?"

Commissioner Tharan answered, "Yes."

Adjournment:

On a motion made by Commissioner Heasley and a second by Commissioner Brosius to adjourn the meeting at 10:31 am, the motion passed without opposition.

Clarion County Commissioners

Wayne R. Brosius, Chair

Theodore W. Tharan

ATTEST:

Mindy Frampton, Deputy Chief Clerk

C. Edward Heasley

