

BEDFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

January 14, 2020

The Bedford County Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting in Room 101 of the Bedford County Government Building, 200 South Juliana Street, Bedford, PA on Tuesday, January 14, 2020. Commissioner Lang called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Dallara led the prayer of invocation and pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

Present: Commissioner Josh Lang, Commissioner Barry L. Dallara, Commissioner Deb Baughman. Others present: Debra Brown, Chief Clerk/Director of Elections; Melissa Cottle, County Treasurer; Senior Judge Thomas S. Ling; Dave Cubbison, Director of Emergency Services; Terry Stacey, CDBG Administrator; and members of the press and public.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. Dan Harnish spoke briefly about the 2nd Amendment sanctuary ordinance. He noted that petitions have been circulated and signed. They will continue to keep the Commissioner apprised of their ongoing endeavor. Commissioner Lang commented that he is aware that the only county to do a resolution is Bradford County. He noted the commissioners are continuing to review the information. Commissioner Baughman thanked them for bringing to the county.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of the January 6, 2019 meeting were approved as presented.

A motion was made by Commissioner Baughman and seconded by Commissioner Dallara to approve the following expenditures. Commissioner Baughman gave an overview of the large expenditures. The motion was approved as presented.

General Priority	\$244,924.99
General Non Priority	\$283,444.93

OLD BUSINESS:

Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Commissioner Dallara and seconded by Commissioner Baughman to approve the Change of Assessment Notice Control Report changes for the month of January 2020. This is based upon the recommendation of Joyce Hillegass, Director of Tax Assessment. Commissioner Dallara spoke briefly about the changes and growth in the county. The motion was approved as presented.

A motion was made by Commissioner Baughman and seconded by Commissioner Dallara to approve the Purchase of Service Agreement between the following and Bedford County Children & Youth Services and Bedford County Juvenile Probation Office, effective, July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. This is based upon the recommendation of Lisa Cairo, Administrator Bedford County Children and Youth Services. The motion was approved as presented.

1. Community Specialists Corporation (The Academy)
2. Summit School, Inc. (Summit Academy)

A motion was made by Commissioner Dallara and seconded by Commissioner Baughman to approve Change Order #2019-1-1 Final, for the Cessna Heights Sanitary Sewer & Water Extension Project – Phase I, reducing the contract with Guyer Brothers, Inc., by \$24,823.70, to a total of \$242,426.30. This project is funded, in part, by Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Entitlement funds for Bedford Township from FFYs 2016

and 2017. This is based upon the recommendation of Terry Stacey, CDBG Administrator. Mr. Stacey gave an overview of the project and an explanation on the funding for the project. The motion was approved as presented.

A motion was made by Commissioner Baughman and seconded by Commissioner Dallara to approve Pay Estimate No. 2 – Final, in the amount of \$33,899.15, for the Cessna Heights Sanitary Sewer & Water Extension Project – Phase I. This project is funded, in part, by Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Entitlement funds for Bedford Township from FFYs 2016 and 2017. This is based upon the recommendation of Terry Stacey, CDBG Administrator. Mr. Stacey gave an overview as to how the payment was distributed to the county. The motion was approved as presented.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dallara and seconded by Commissioner Baughman to approve the following as full-time Deputy Sheriff's, effective January 14, 2020. This is based upon the recommendation of Wayne E. Emerick, Jr., Sheriff. The motion was approved as presented.

1. Tanner Coughenour, Bedford, PA
2. Christopher Tirpak, Bedford, PA
3. Logan Tewell, Everett, PA

A motion was made by Commissioner Baughman and seconded by Commissioner Dallara to approve the following as part-time Deputy Sheriff's, effective January 14, 2020. This is based upon the recommendation of Wayne E. Emerick, Jr., Sheriff. The motion was approved as presented.

1. Steven S. Kagarise, Woodbury, PA
2. Steven Roudabush, Jr., Alum Bank, PA

A motion was made by Commissioner Dallara and seconded by Commissioner Baughman to approve the appointment of Jeffrey Crist for a 3-year term (the term will expire on December 31, 2022) to the Bedford County Development Association Board, effective January 1, 2020. This is based upon the recommendation of Bette, Slayton, Director of the Bedford County Development Association. The motion was approved as presented.

A motion was made by Commissioner Baughman and seconded by Commissioner Dallara to approve the resolution in honor of Captain Phillips' Rangers Massacre Day. This is based upon A motion was made by Commissioner Baughman and seconded by Commissioner Dallara the recommendation of the Bedford County Commissioners. Mr. Melvin McDowell read the resolution. The motion was approved as presented.

A RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF CAPTAIN PHILLIPS' RANGERS MASSACRE DAY

WHEREAS, the year 2020 marks the 240th anniversary of the massacre of Captain William Phillips' Company of the Bedford County Rangers; and

WHEREAS, the incident took place in the Woodcock Valley, in present-day Liberty Township on July 16, 1780 where a part of sixty Seneca Indians led by British Lieutenant John Dockstedder, made a raid into Bedford County with the expressed purpose of causing death and havoc; and

WHEREAS, despite gaining the surrender of Captain Phillips and his company by promising their safe passage, Lieutenant Dockstedder could not restrain the Indians from killing the Bedford County Militia men. The ten men under the command of Captain Phillips were tied to trees in a clearing and murdered by being shot with arrows and by being struck by tomahawks; and

WHEREAS, Captain Phillips and his son, Elijah were taken captive to Fort Niagara and were held in British prisons until 1782 when they made their escape; and

WHEREAS, those massacred were killed in the line of duty protecting the settlers of Woodcock and adjacent valleys; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Bedford County Board of Commissioners do hereby designate the 18th of July 2020 as Captain Phillips' Rangers Massacre Day in honor of the 240th anniversary of the incident that occurred on July 16, 1780.

ADOPTED on this 14th day of January 2020.

Commissioner Lang thanked those who attended and asked to clarify the group name; Mr. McDowell stated they were the Frontier Patriots Chapter, SAR (Sons of the American Revolution).

COMMENTS/APPOINTMENTS/BID OPENINGS/COUNTY UPDATES:

Nothing for this meeting.

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None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Dallara made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Baughman seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 10:17 a.m.

The next meeting will be held January 28, 2020, in Room 101 unless called sooner by the Board of Commissioners.

Debra Brown, Chief Clerk

Deb Baughman, Secretary