

**BEDFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

August 27, 2019

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, August 27, 2019. Commissioner Lang called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and Commissioner Crooks gave the prayer of invocation and led the pledge to the flag.

**ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:**

Present: Commissioner Josh Lang, Commissioner Barry L. Dallara, Commissioner S. Paul Crooks. Others present: Debra Brown, Chief Clerk/Director of Elections; Melissa Cottle, Treasurer; Terry Stacey, CDBG Administrator; Don Schwartz, Director, Planning Commission; county residents, and the press.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes of August 13, 2019 meeting were approved.

**EXPENDITURES:**

A motion was made by Commissioner Dallara and seconded by Commissioner Crooks to approve the following expenditures. The motion was approved as presented.

Payroll	\$261,065.52	CK#:183509-183515
General	\$924,005.26	
General	\$130,542.50	
General	\$254,956.84	
Commissary	\$5,699.90	
CDBG	\$2,235.71	
LEPC	\$677.97	
Liquid Fuels	\$1,220.31	

Commissioner Dallara reported on the following large expenditures from the General Account: Penelec at \$13,023.16; UPMC at \$151,448.27; Bond at \$653,050.02; and Bond Series B at \$91,756.26.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

There was nothing to report.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A motion was made by Commissioner Crooks and seconded by Commissioner Dallara to adopt the “Bedford County Three-Year Community Development Plan” of August 2, 2019, as drafted. This is based upon the recommendation of Terry Stacey, CDBG Director. Mr. Stacey gave an overview of the process. The motion was approved as presented.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dallara and seconded by Commissioner Crooks to re-appoint Terry H Stacey, CDBG Administrator with the Bedford County Planning Commission, as the Section 504 Officer. Mr. Stacey commented this is part of the application process under Section 504. The motion was approved as presented.

A motion was made by Commissioner Crooks and seconded by Commissioner Dallara to approve the following member to the Bedford-Fulton Joint Recreation Authority. This is based upon the recommendation of the Bedford County Board of Commissioners. The motion was approved as presented.

1. Jim Edwards: 1 year

A motion was made by Commissioner Dallara and seconded by Commissioner Crooks to approve the hire of the following as a Full-time Correctional Officers, effective August 28, 2019. This is based upon the recommendation of Troy Nelson, Warden. The motion was approved as presented.

1. Nicholas Mussleman, Newville, PA
2. Aric Breckenridge, Everett, PA
3. Seth Mearkle, Bedford, PA
4. Caitlin Spohn, Bedford, PA

A motion was made by Commissioner Crooks and seconded by Commissioner Dallara to approve the hire of the following as a Full-time Correctional Officers, effective September 9, 2019. This is based upon the recommendation of Troy Nelson, Warden. The motion was approved as presented.

1. Craig Diehl, Everett, PA
2. William Simpson, Hesston, PA

**COMMENTS/APPOINTMENTS:**

Commissioner Crooks will open the sealed bids for the Library Paving Project, Contract #082719. Commissioner Lang recommended the decision be tabled until reviewed by the Maintenance Department. Commissioner Crooks made the motion and Commissioner Dallara seconded.

The question was asked why are a lot of officers being hired? Commissioner Lang noted due to turnover, pay concerns, and the environment all contributing factors. All things are on the table with union negotiations.

Also, asked was the issue about mug shots and that when requested from Huntington and Blair Counties, it is not an issue. Commissioner Lang responded it is still under review with the solicitor and the Chairman of the Prison Board.

The question was also asked if there is an update on the solar panel installation? Commissioner Lang stated they are still the logistics to make this happen.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

The next meeting will be held September 10, 2019 in Room 101 unless called sooner by the Board of Commissioners.

**ATTEST:**

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Debra Brown, Chief Clerk/Director of Elections

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S. Paul Crooks, Secretary