

BEDFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

March 27, 2018

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, March 27, 2018. Commissioner Lang called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Lang gave the prayer of invocation and led the pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

Present: Commissioner Josh Lang, Commissioner Barry L. Dallara, and Commissioner S. Paul Crooks. Others present: Debra Brown, Chief Clerk, Lisa Cairo, Administrator, Bedford County Children and Youth Services, Donald Schwartz, Planning Commission and county residents and the press.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of March 13, 2018, were approved as presented.

EXPENDITURES:

A motion was made by Commissioner Dallara and seconded by Commissioner Crooks to approve the following expenditures:

Payroll	\$272,505.65	CK#:183209-183217
General	\$596,747.41	
Commissary	\$4,887.84	
CDBG	\$5,407.64	
Liquid Fuels	\$13,916.01	
LEPC	\$114.27	

Commissioner Dallara reported on the following large expenditures from the General Account: Adelphoi Village-CYS at \$20,731.48; Bedford-Somerset at \$30,750.00; Bedford County Library at \$30,000.00; Retirement at \$27,500.00; Economic Development at \$30,000.00; Conservation at \$23,250.00; CCAP dues at \$14,277.00; Independent Family-CYS at 11,607.75; Prime Care Insurance – Jail at \$33,324.54; Professional Family Services – CYS at \$26,699.88; Health insurance for April at \$152,088.61. The motion was approved as presented.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Commissioner Crooks and seconded by Commissioner Dallara to approve the following for Liquid Fuels to cover bridge inspections, effective March 27, 2018. This is based on the recommendation of the Bedford County Commissioners. The motion was approved as presented.

1. South Woodbury Township - \$1,640.37

A motion was made by Commissioner Dallara and seconded by Commissioner Crooks to approve the Purchase of Service Agreement between Bedford County Children & Youth Services and Heather Dawn Sipes, the (Incredible Years Program Lead Facilitator) effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. This is based upon the recommendation of Lisa Cairo, Administrator Bedford County Children and Youth Services. The motion was approved as presented.

A motion was made by Commissioner Crooks and seconded by Commissioner Dallara to approve the Purchase of Service Agreement between Bedford County Children & Youth Services and Bedford County Juvenile Probation Office and The Bair Foundation of PA, effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. This is based

upon the recommendation of Lisa Cairo, Administrator Bedford County Children and Youth Services. The motion was approved as presented.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dallara and seconded by Commissioner Crooks to approve the hire of the following as part-time Correctional Officers, at the Bedford County Correctional Facility. This is based upon the recommendation of Troy Nelson, Warden. The motion was approved as presented.

1. Glen Melius effective March 28, 2018
2. Dena Norris effective March 28, 2018
3. Bonnie Sweinhart effective March 28, 2018
4. Wayne Purnell effective April 2, 2018

A motion was made by Commissioner Crooks and seconded by Commissioner Dallara to approve the transfer of Diana Lee Hood from part-time Clerk Typist I at Magisterial District # 57-3-04 to full-time Clerk Typist I at Magisterial District Court # 57-3-02, effective March 28, 2018. This is based upon the recommendation of Thomas S. Ling, President Judge. The motion was approved as presented.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dallara and seconded by Commissioner Crooks to approve contract number 031318 to Clear Security in the total amount of \$76,740 for Courthouse Security Upgrades. The project will be funded as follows: Domestic Relations 4D Account: \$41,920, Probation Supervisory Fund: \$16,670 and The Pennsylvania Counties Workers Compensation Trust Safety Improvement Grant \$18,150. This is based upon the recommendation of the Bedford County Board of Commissioners. The motion was approved as presented.

A motion was made by Commissioner Crooks and seconded by Commissioner Dallara to approve Lisa Redinger, to the position of Fiscal Assistant in Children and Youth, effective March 26, 2018. This is based upon the recommendation of Lisa Cairo, Administrator of Bedford County Children and Youth Services. The motion was approved as presented.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dallara and seconded by Commissioner Crooks to approve Ashley Miller from part-time to full-time Correctional Officer, effective March 19, 2018 at the Bedford County Correctional Facility. This is based upon the recommendation of Troy Nelson, Warden. The motion was approved as presented.

A motion was made by Commissioner Crooks and seconded by Commissioner Dallara approve submission, to the PA Department of Community and Economic Development, of a request for Budget Revision of Contract #C000061800, reducing the Defiance Springs Containments project budget by \$25, 404.61, and increasing the Broad Top Township On-Lot Septic System project budget by the same sum. This is based upon the recommendation of Terry Stacey, CDBG Director. The motion was approved as presented. Don Schwartz stated this is a transfer of money that wasn't spent on another project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dallara and seconded by Commissioner Crooks to submit, to the PA Department of Community and Economic Development, a request for Activity Completion Extension for the FFY 2013 Community Development Block Grant Contract, for the Bedford Township Housing Rehab activity, from April 6, 2018, to April 27, 2018. This is based upon the recommendation of Terry Stacey, CDBG Director. The motion was approved as presented. Don Schwartz stated that two (2) homes are almost complete and this is a three (3) week contract extension to get them completed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Crooks and seconded by Commissioner Dallara to approve the 2018 Pennsylvania Equal Pay Day Proclamation on behalf of the Bedford Business & Professional Women. The motion was approved as presented. The proclamation was read by Jeannie Plummer, BPW member.

2018 PENNSYLVANIA EQUAL PAY DAY PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, more than 50 years after the passage of the Equal Pay Act, women, especially minority women, continue to suffer the consequences of unequal pay; and

WHEREAS, according to the U.S. Census Bureau, women working full time, year round in 2017 typically earned 81.8 percent of what men earned, indication a decrease of 0.1 percent since 2016; and

WHEREAS, ACCORDING TO THE Graduation to a Pay Gap, a 2012 research report by the American Association of University Women (AAUW), the gender pay gap is evident one year after college graduation, even after controlling for factors known to affect earnings, such as occupation, hours worked, and college major; and

WHEREAS, in 2009 the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act was signed into law, which gives back to employees their day in court to challenge a pay gap; and now we must pass the Paycheck Fairness Act, which would amend the Equal Pay Act by closing loopholes and improving the law's effectiveness; and

WHEREAS, according to one estimate, college-educated women working full time earn more than a half million dollars less than their male peers do over the course of a lifetime; and

WHEREAS, nearly four in ten mothers are primary breadwinners in their households and nearly two-thirds are primary or significant earners, making pay equity critical to families' economic security; and,

WHEREAS, a lifetime of lower pay means women have less income to save for retirement and less income counted in a Social Security or pension benefit formula; and,

WHEREAS, in the state of Pennsylvania, in the year 2016, full time working women earned real median income of \$41,047, and full time working men earned real median income of \$51,780, and earning ration of 79%; and

WHEREAS, fair pay equity policies can be implemented simply and without undue costs or hardship in both the public and private sectors; and

WHEREAS, fair pay strengthens the security of families today and eases future retirement costs while enhancing the American economy; and

WHEREAS, April 10th symbolizes the time in 2018 when the wages paid to American women catch up to the wages paid to men from the previous year,

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the Bedford County Commissioners do hereby proclaim Tuesday April 10, 2018:

EQUAL PAY DAY

In *Bedford, Bedford County*, we urge the citizens of *Bedford, Bedford County*, to recognize the full value of women's skills and significant contributions to the labor force, and further encourage businesses to conduct an internal pay evaluation to ensure women are being paid fairly.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of *Bedford, Bedford County*, to be affixed.

COMMENTS/APPOINTMENTS

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Crooks made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Dallara seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

The next Commissioners Meeting will be on April 10, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 101 unless called sooner by the Board of Commissioners.

ATTEST:

Debra Brown, Chief Clerk

S. Paul Crooks, Secretary