

**BEDFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES**

February 12, 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, February 12, 2019. 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, Commissioner S. Paul Crooks. Others present: Debra Brown, Chief Clerk, Melissa Cottle, Treasurer, Charwin Reichelderfer, Sheriff, Terry Stacey, CDBG Administrator, Deputy Kaszubski, county residents, guests, and the press.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes of January 29, 2019 were approved as presented.

**EXPENDITURES:**

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

Payroll	\$263,345.20	CK#:183407-183414
General	\$462,031.56	
General	\$54,626.92	
Commissary	\$1,552.71	
CDBG	\$15,815.42	

The motion was approved as presented.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

There was nothing to report.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A motion was made by Commissioner Dallara and seconded by Commissioner Crooks to approve the Change of Assessment Notice Control Report changes for the month of January 2019. This is based upon the recommendation of Joyce Hillegass, Director of Tax Assessment. The motion was approved as presented. A question was asked regarding what changes were made. Commissioner Dallara responded that the total assessment has gone down and approved property off of the tax roll were added into Clean and Green.

A motion was made by Commissioner Crooks and seconded by Commissioner Dallara to approve Deputy Sheriff Brian Kaszubski moving from full-time to part-time employment, effective end of shift February 15, 2019. This is based upon the recommendation of Charwin Reichelderfer, Sheriff. The motion was approved as presented.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dallara and seconded by Commissioner Crooks to submit to the PA Department of Community and Economic Development a revision request for Community Development Block Grant funding as follows: Reduce the FFY 2016 BEAMA Sewer Laterals activity by \$43,900.00; and create a FFY 2016 Wood-Broad Top-Wells Water & Sewer Plants activity, funded at the same sum. The motion was approved as presented. Mr. Stacey gave a brief overview of the project and the changes regarding the new grant. Commissioner Crooks asked how much closer does the \$43,000 in funds toward the total. Mr. Stacey said there is a difference of \$79,000 between the grant monies and the costs.

A motion was made by Commissioner Crooks and seconded by Commissioner Dallara to approve the following proclamation in recognition of Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month on behalf of Your Safe Haven, Inc.

This is based upon the recommendation of Sharon McNamara, Education and Outreach Coordinator at Your Safe Haven, Inc. Commissioner Crooks read the proclamation. The motion was approved as presented.

***Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month  
February 2019***

**Whereas:** One in three adolescent girls in the United States is a victim of physical, emotional or verbal abuse from a dating partner, a figure that far exceeds victimization rates for other types of violence affecting youth; and

**Whereas:** Youth who experience physical violence in a dating relationship are more likely to use drug, and alcohol, attempt suicide and carry patterns of abuse into future relationships; and

**Whereas:** Females between the ages 16 and 24 are more vulnerable to intimate partner violence than any other age group, experiencing abuse at almost triple the national average; and

**Whereas:** Only 33% of teens who are in an abusive relationship tell anyone; and

**Whereas:** Eighty one percent of parents either believe teen dating violence is not an issue or admit they do not know if it is; and

**Whereas:** By providing young people with education about healthy relationships and changing their attitudes away from supporting violence to embracing mutual respect, we recognize that dating violence can be prevented:

**Now therefore:** The Commissioners of Bedford County, Pennsylvania, in recognition of the important work done by Your Safe Haven, Inc., do hereby proclaim the month of February 2019 as Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month with emphasis on dating violence by supporting their communities' efforts to empower teens to develop healthier relationships. We encourage community leaders to work with Your Safe Haven, Inc, to assist victims in finding and accessing the resources they need, to develop a comprehensive response to dating violence and to engage in discussions with adult and youth community members to promote awareness and prevention of the quiet but heinous crime of teen dating violence in their communities.

**COMMENTS/APPOINTMENTS:**

A question was asked about the progress of the election. Commissioner Crooks responded that it is going well; new board of election members were appointed, Alan Smith and Dan Howsare. A trip had to be rescheduled to approve a change in voter precinct and no decision has been made on the voting equipment. Another question was asked as to how many ballots will be printed and Commissioner Crooks responded 100%.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

The next meeting will be held February 26, 2019 in Room 101 unless called sooner by the Board of Commissioners.

**ATTEST:**

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Debra Brown, Chief Clerk

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S. Paul Crooks, Secretary