

**BEDFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES**

February 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, February 27, 2018. Commissioner Lang called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Dallara 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, Melissa Cottle, Treasurer, Rick Suder of Planning Commission, Charwin Reichelderfer, Sheriff, Sheriff Deputies (four), Diane Nelson, Deputy Sheriff, Cathy Fetter, Prothonotary and Clerk of Courts, Sherri Lowery, Dwight Winck, Register & Recorder, Attorney Karen Hickey, David Cubbison, Director of Emergency Services, Attorney Tom Finn, county residents and the press.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

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

**EXPENDITURES:**

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

Payroll	\$265,900.72	CK#:183191-183199
General	\$239,853.82	
General	\$251,775.25	
Commissary	\$18,010.21	
CDBG	\$28,339.63	
Liquid Fuels	\$14,136.46	
LEPC	\$39.68	

Commissioner Crooks reported on the following large expenditures from the General accounts: Health Insurance at \$151,000.00; Lease on 2 vehicles in Sheriff’s department at \$17,000.00; Prime Care at \$58,000.00; and a larger portion for the Children and Youth department. 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 Purchase of Service Agreement between Bedford County Children & Youth Services and Bedford County Juvenile Probation Office and Bethany Christian Services, Inc., 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 amending Appendix “A” of the current Bedford County Court Related Association contract to change the starting wage for sheriff’s deputies to \$11.00 per hour effective September 1, 2017, and \$11.20 per hour effective January 1, 2018 and \$11.30 per hour effective January 1, 2019. The motion was approved as presented. A question was asked the reason for the wage amounts? Commissioner Lang responded is to reflect similar starting salaries to be consistent with AFSCME’s starting salary rates. In addition, it was asked what the reason for this change is. Commissioner Lang responded that the change was requested by the Court Related bargaining unit.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dallara and seconded by Commissioner Crooks to approve Steve Kagarise, Deputy Sheriff from full-time to part-time Deputy Sheriff, effective March 5, 2018. This is based upon the recommendation of Charwin Reichelderfer, Sheriff. The motion was approved as presented.

A motion was made by Commissioner Crooks and seconded by Commissioner Dallara to approve the following proclamation in recognition of Bedford County Day on behalf of the Bedford County Historical Society. The motion was approved as presented. The proclamation was read by Commissioner Crooks.

**BEDFORD COUNTY DAY**  
***March 4, 2018***

**WHEREAS**, on March 9, 1771, Bedford County was formed from Cumberland County “By an Act of the general assembly of the province, and entitled AN ACT-for erecting a part of the County of Cumberland into a separate county”

**WHEREAS**, a number of the inhabitants of the western parts of the county of Cumberland have represented to the assembly of this province the great hardships they lie under from being so remote from the present seat of judicature and the public offices: and so was created Bedford as the ninth county of the province;

**WHEREAS**, the Year 2008 marked the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the building of Fort Bedford during the French and Indian War; and

**WHEREAS**, this event will provide the citizens of Bedford County to focus on the rich history of our County;

**NOW THEREFORE**, WE THE COMMISSIONERS OF BEDFORD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA do hereby declare that ***March 9, 2018***, and each March 9<sup>th</sup> henceforth, shall be ***BEDFORD COUNTY DAY***.

**VII: COMMENTS/APPOINTMENTS**

Rick Suder, Planning Commission – community service seminar regarding Farming Workshop in Bedford. Rick noted the seminar will be held at Grange Mutual Insurance Company on 477 West Pitt Street, Bedford, Pennsylvania on Thursday, March 1, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and the persons to contact for the seminar.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Crooks made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Dallara seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 10:08 AM.

The next Commissioners Meeting will be on March 13, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 101 unless called sooner by the Board of Commissioners.

**ATTEST:**

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Debra K. Brown, Chief Clerk

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S. Paul Crooks, Secretary