LAWRENCE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES OF Tuesday, July 1, 2025

The Lawrence County Commissioners' Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed by a Moment of Silence.

The Lawrence County Commissioners' Meeting of Tuesday, July 1, 2025, was called to order by **Commissioner Daniel Vogler**, at 10:00 AM at the Lawrence County Commissioners Meeting Room. Deputy Chief Clerk, **Vanessa Bayless**, called the roll. Those in attendance were **Commissioner Dan Kennedy**, **Commissioner Chris Sainato**, **Mike Grippo**, **Isabelle Daniels**, **Carrie Hahn**, **Lynne Ryan**, **Joan Conti and no one from the New Castle News**. It was stated for the record that the meeting is being taped. Those wishing to speak shall be given five minutes. If they need more time, they are to see the Chief Clerk at another time, and he will arrange for them to meet with the Commissioners. Those speaking are to state for the record their names, addresses and the nature of their business.

ROW OFFICERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

None

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Carrie Hahn asked about her email being received by Commissioner Vogler. She further asked why the Republican Committee was not contacted about the last election board meeting to certify results. Commissioner Vogler stated that Mr. Germani notified both parties and there was also a legal ad in the New Castle News. Carrie Hahn discussed Joan Conti's petition, the County website with posting results and write in votes that don't match. Commissioner Vogler suggested she speak with Mr. Germani.

FISCAL/CONTRACTUAL

A. Repository Properties:

B. Advertise for bids/proposals:

C. Receipt for bids/proposals:

None

None

D. Warrant Registers:

1. June 23, 2025

2. June 24, 2025

3. June 27, 2025

Moved by Mr. Kennedy seconded by Mr. Sainato to approve and file said warrant register(s). Motion carried 3-0.

MINUTES AND CORRESPONDENCE

A. Approval of Minutes:

1. Tuesday, June 24, 2025

Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Kennedy to approve said minutes. Motion carried 3-0.

- B. Presentation of Written Communications:
 - a. CMI Upstate is submitting to PA DEP and Air Quality Plan Approval application for the aluminum metal shredding operation. (City of New Castle.)
 - b. PennDOT is planning bridge replacement project for S.R. 4005, Old Pulaski Road. (Pulaski Township)
 - c. Shenango Limestone and Storage Company LLC will be submitting to the PADEP application for its facility located at 1959 Union Valley Rd, Wampum, PA. (Shenango Township)

Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Sainato to file said written correspondence. Motion carried 3-0.

REPORTS

A. Staff Reports:

None

B. Commissioner Reports

Mr. Kennedy stated he attended the grand opening for CSI that moved from Neshannock Township into Shenango Township. Packard Paint on East Washington plans to buy the building they are in and expand upstairs.

Mr. Vogler stated he attended the event Public Safety held on Saturday with the amateur radio leagues. He attended the Workers' Compensation Board Retreat last week in Clearfield County. The Courthouse will be closed on Friday, July 4th.

Mr. Sainato stated CSI is at the old McKesson site in Shenango Township.

NEW BUSINESS RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION R-2025-145

WHEREAS, Lawrence County, through its Children and Youth Department, desires to contract certain social services; and

WHEREAS, the County has the authority and duty to provide social services to children and youth subject to the regulations established by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (DHS)

and the Juvenile Code:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Lawrence County Board of Commissioners, that:

- 1. The Purchase of Service Agreement under the provider Abel Screening, Inc. shall be in effect for the period of July 01, 2025, through June 30, 2026.
- 2. Costs are incurred only if the provider or service is being used by Lawrence County per the Agreement.
- 3. Authorization is hereby given to execute an Agreement with the following service provider:

Abel Screening, Inc. 1151 Harbor Bay Parkway, Suite 121 Alameda, CA. 94502

RESOLUTION

R-2025-146

WHEREAS, Lawrence County, through its Children and Youth Department, desires to contract certain social services; and

WHEREAS, the County has the authority and duty to provide social services to children and youth subject to the regulations established by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (DHS) and the Juvenile Code:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Lawrence County Board of Commissioners, that:

- 1. The Purchase of Service Agreement under the provider Adoption Connection PA. shall be in effect for the period of July 01, 2025, through June 30, 2026.
- 2. Costs are incurred only if the provider or service is being used by Lawrence County per the Agreement.
- 3. Authorization is hereby given to execute an Agreement with the following service provider:

Adoption Connection PA. 700 Turnpike Street Beaver, PA. 15009

RESOLUTION R-2025-147

WHEREAS, Lawrence County, through its Children and Youth Department, desires to contract certain social services; and

WHEREAS, the County has the authority and duty to provide social services to children and youth subject to the regulations established by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (DHS) and the Juvenile Code:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Lawrence County Board of Commissioners, that:

- 1. The Purchase of Service Agreement under the provider Family Care for Children and Youth, Inc. shall be in effect for the period of July 01, 2025, through June 30, 2026.
- 2. Costs are incurred only if the provider or service is being used by Lawrence County per the Agreement.
- 3. Authorization is hereby given to execute an Agreement with the following service provider:

Family Care for Children and Youth, Inc. 25 Belford BLVD. Milton, PA. 17847

RESOLUTION

R-2025-148

WHEREAS, Lawrence County, through its Children and Youth Department, desires to contract certain social services; and

WHEREAS, the County has the authority and duty to provide social services to children and youth subject to the regulations established by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (DHS) and the Juvenile Code:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Lawrence County Board of Commissioners, that:

- 1. The Purchase of Service Agreement under the provider Keystone Adolescent Center, Inc. shall be in effect for the period of July 01, 2025, through June 30, 2026.
- 2. Costs are incurred only if the provider or service is being used by Lawrence County per the Agreement.

3. Authorization is hereby given to execute an Agreement with the following service provider:

Keystone Adolescent Center, Inc. 201 Main Street Greenville, PA. 16125

RESOLUTION

R-2025-149

WHEREAS, Lawrence County, through its Children and Youth Department, desires to contract certain social services; and

WHEREAS, the County has the authority and duty to provide social services to children and youth subject to the regulations established by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (DHS) and the Juvenile Code:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Lawrence County Board of Commissioners, that:

- 1. The Purchase of Service Agreement under the provider KidsPeace National Centers, Inc. shall be in effect for the period of July 01, 2025, through June 30, 2026.
- 2. Costs are incurred only if the provider or service is being used by Lawrence County per the Agreement.
- 3. Authorization is hereby given to execute an Agreement with the following service provider:

KidsPeace National Centers, Inc. 4085 Independence Dr. Schnecksville, PA. 18078

Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Sainato to approve Resolutions R-2025-145 up to and including Resolution R-2025-149. Motion carried 3-0.

RESOLUTION R-2025-150

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners wishes to enter into a Keystone Grant Agreement for the Keystone Recreation Park and Conservation Fund Act of 1993 (Act), 32 P.S. §§2011-2024, "to assist municipalities in planning, acquisition, development and rehabilitation of public libraries"; and

WHEREAS, this grant agreement is made at Harrisburg, County of Dauphin, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, by the Pennsylvania Department of Education, hereinafter called the Department, and Lawrence County located at C/O Lou Quahliero, Lawrence County Courthouse, 430 Court Street, New Castle, PA 16101, hereinafter called the Grantee; and

WHEREAS, Grantee will receive funds in the amount of \$405,000.00, used to defray program costs incurred from April 1, 2025 to September 30, 2026; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, this Agreement shall be in effect from the date of execution by all required parties and shall terminate on September 30, 2026, unless terminated earlier in accordance with the terms hereof.

Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Kennedy to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 3-0.

RESOLUTION R-2025-151

WHEREAS, the Lawrence County Commissioners wish to enter into a contract with Dear John Inc. for an 8 x 36 Office Trailer for the Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, terms and conditions are attached on contract #RC13656; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS shall enter into a contract with Dear John Inc.

Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Sainato to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 3-0.

TRANSFERS (Administrative)

- a. Jail from Contingency to Gas utility for \$8,000.00.
- b. Jail from Personnel to Materials & Supplies for \$5,200.00
- c. Jail from IRP Overtime to IRP Materials & Supplies for \$7,845.00
- d. District Attorney from Contingency Account to Criminal Investigation for \$6,024.00
- e. District Attorney from Toxicology to Criminal Investigation for \$3,876.00

Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Kennedy to approve said Transfers. Motion carried 3-0.

RESOLUTIONS ON THE TABLE

None

RESOLUTIONS TO BE TAKEN OFF THE TABLE

None

ORDINANCES

A. Discussion:

B. On the Table:

C. For Introduction:

None

None

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. The next Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 8, 2025 @ 10:00 am in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.
- A. There will be a Lawrence County Opioid Advisory Board meeting today @ 12:00 Noon in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.
- B. There will be a Planning Commission meeting on Wednesday, July 9, 2025 @ 12:00 Noon in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.
- C. There will be a Prison Board meeting on Wednesday, July 16, 2025 @ 12:00 Noon in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.
- D. The Courthouse will be closed on Friday, July 4, 2025 in observance of Independence Day.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Carrie Hahn stated she watched the video of the last election board meeting and according to the Election Board there were no issues/no problems. She feels the issue with Joan Conti is an issue/problem. She is not happy with the Voters' Office.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Sainato to adjourn the Lawrence County Commissioners' meeting dated Tuesday, July 1, 2024 @ 10:20 AM.