

LAWRENCE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
PUBLIC MEETING
MINUTES OF Tuesday, April 28, 2026

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, April 28, 2026, was called to order by **Commissioner Dan 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 Chris Sainato, County Administrator, Joseph Venasco, Donald Andrews, Mary Glass, Melissa Ciallella 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 she 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.

Commissioner Vogler stated Commissioner Kennedy is out of the office today.

Commissioner Vogler stated today is bittersweet. After nearly 22 years with the County, Deputy Chief Clerk, Vanessa Bayless and her husband, Eric, are taking on a new chapter of their lives and moving to Florida. The Commissioners and Joe Venasco stated how much they will miss her and thanked her for her years of service to the County.

ROW OFFICERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

None

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Randy Crum, Vaughn Crisci and Dan Bailey from Vision Ministries were in attendance to thank the Commissioners for their continued support. They also gave an update on their programs and thanked the Opioid Advisory Board for their allocations.

FISCAL/CONTRACTUAL

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| A. Repository Properties: | None |
| B. Advertise for bids/proposals: | None |
| C. Receipt for bids/proposals: | None |
| D. Warrant Registers: | |
| 1. April 22, 2026 | |
| 2. April 24, 2026 | |

Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Vogler to approve and file said warrant register(s). Motion carried 2-0.

MINUTES AND CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Approval of Minutes:
1. April 21, 2026

Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Vogler to approve said minutes. Motion carried 2-0.

B. Presentation of Written Communications:

- a. Amerikohl Aggregates, Inc.-Welsh Quarry-Blast Notice Annual Publication (Wayne Twp.)
- b. Gateway Engineers-Intent to Submit Chapter 105 General Permits-Rutgers Dr. Gas Line Replacement (Neshannock Twp.)

Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Vogler to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 2-0.

VI. REPORTS

REPORTS

A. Staff Reports: None

B. Commissioner Reports: CS,DV

Commissioner Sainato stated he attended the CYS Program downtown last Thursday. He commended Pastor Young and Jeannette Rice on the event. He also attended the NFL Draft in Pittsburgh and commended the NFL for obtaining contracts with local vendors for the event and he also attended the Earth Day event on Saturday in Ellwood City.

Commissioner Vogler stated the Envirothon will be held this afternoon at the Shenango Community Park.

RESOLUTION

R-2026-72

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners wishes to enter into an agreement with Government Software Services, Inc. (GSS) for Computer Services and Tax Billing; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this agreement indicates agreement by GSS to provide the professional services to satisfy the computer consulting requirements of the Client in accordance with the contract; and

WHEREAS, the term of this agreement shall start on May 1, 2026 and continues through March 1, 2029; and

WHEREAS, the fees shall be a one time installation fee of \$5,000.00, a one time data conversion fee of \$2,500.00 and invoicing of \$700.00 per month for tax collection/admin fees; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, that:

1. the County hereby enter into an agreement with Government Software Services, Inc. for the computer consulting requirements of the Client in accordance with the attached agreement; and
2. terms shall be as identified in the attached agreement; and

3. the Chairman is authorized to sign all agreements.

Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Vogler to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 2-0.

RESOLUTION R-2026-73

WHEREAS, the County of Lawrence wishes to revise the contract allocation for projects eligible under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for FFY 2023; and

WHEREAS, the County, in FFY 2023 received funding for Ellwood City ADA Ramps and funding for Ellwood City Administration; and

WHEREAS, the Ellwood City ADA Ramps project required a change order and additional funds were necessary; and

WHEREAS, we will decrease the IDIS Activity 58168 (Ellwood City Admin) project budget allocation by \$2,569.53 and revise the budget allocation to \$15,430.47; and

WHEREAS, we will increase the IDIS Activity 58177 (Ellwood City Curb Ramps) project budget by \$2,569.53 and revise the budget allocation to \$99,924.53.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, THAT;

1. The County shall prepare and submit a FFY 2023 Revision Request #2, to the Department of Community and Economic Development.
2. The revision request will detail the above project activities and financial requests.

Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Vogler to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 2-0.

RESOLUTION R-2026-74

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 Alternative Living Solutions shall be in effect for the period of July 01, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

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:

**Alternative Living Solutions
2108 Tartan Court
Latrobe, PA. 15650**

RESOLUTION

R-2026-75

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 Hoffman Homes, Inc. shall be in effect for the period of July 01, 2026, through June 30, 2027.
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:

**Hoffman Homes, Inc.
815 Orphanage Road
Littlestown, PA. 17340**

RESOLUTION

R-2026-76

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, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

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-2026-77

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 City Mission – Living Stones, Inc. shall be in effect for the period of July 01, 2026, through June 30, 2027.
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:

City Mission – Living Stones, Inc.
155 North Gallatin Avenue
Uniontown, PA. 15401

Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Vogler to approve Resolutions R-2026-74 up to and including Resolution R-2026-77. Motion carried 2-0.

RESOLUTION R-2026-78

WHEREAS, Section 1784 of the County Code, *Supplemental Appropriations Transfer of Funds; Appropriation Limits*, authorizes the Board of Commissioners, by resolution, to make supplemental appropriations for any lawful purpose from any funds on hand or estimated to be received within the fiscal year and not otherwise appropriated; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Board of Commissioners to adjust the existing FY2026 Budget; and

B. The Planning Commission Meeting on Wednesday, May 13, 2026 @ 12:00 Noon is CANCELLED

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Vogler to adjourn the Lawrence County Commissioners' meeting dated Tuesday, April 28, 2026 @ 11:00 AM. Motion carried 2-0.