

LAWRENCE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
PUBLIC MEETING
MINUTES OF Tuesday, June 23, 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, June 23, 2026, was called to order by **Commissioner Dan Vogler**, at 10:00 AM at the Lawrence County Commissioners' Meeting Room. **Office Support Coordinator, Ryan Anderson**, called the roll. Those in attendance were **Commissioner Dan Kennedy, County Administrator Joseph Venasco, Register and Recorder Tammy Crawford, Kathy Presnar, Office Manager Colleen Daughtry, 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

None

FISCAL/CONTRACTUAL

A. Repository Properties:

DEFEATED

RESOLUTION

R-2026-132

WHEREAS, all bids made to purchase property from the Lawrence County Tax Claim Bureau Repository must be approved by the taxing municipality; and

WHEREAS, Adam Lee Nicgorski. placed a bid of \$500.00 on property located at West Ave, Parcel ID No. 04-026500; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lawrence wishes to accept the above bid for property located at, West Ave with Parcel ID No.04-026500; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, that the Board is authorized to execute the Bid Acceptance Form accepting the bid made by Adam Lee Kicgorski in the amount of \$500.00 for Repository Property located at West Ave, and having a Parcel ID No. 04-026500, City of New Castle, PA.

APPROVED

RESOLUTION

R-2026-133

WHEREAS, all bids made to purchase property from the Lawrence County Tax Claim Bureau Repository must be approved by the taxing municipality; and

WHEREAS, Carol R. Kelley. placed a bid of \$500.00 on property located at 834 McCandless St, Parcel ID No. 04-089600; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lawrence wishes to accept the above bid for property located at, 834 McCandless St. with Parcel ID No.04-089600; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, that the Board is authorized to execute the Bid Acceptance Form accepting the bid made by Carol R. Kelley in the amount of \$500.00 for Repository Property located at 834 McCandless St, and having a Parcel ID No. 04-089600, City of New Castle, PA

RESOLUTION

R-2026-134

WHEREAS, all bids made to purchase property from the Lawrence County Tax Claim Bureau Repository must be approved by the taxing municipality; and

WHEREAS, Carl Donald Friend placed a bid of \$500.00 on property located at Williams Street, Parcel ID No. 34-008400; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lawrence wishes to accept the above bid for property located at, Williams Street with a Parcel ID No. 34-008400; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, that the Board is authorized to execute the Bid Acceptance Form accepting the bid made by Carl Donald Friend in the amount of \$500.00 for Repository Property located at Wilson Avenue, and having a Parcel ID No. 34-008400, Union Township.

RESOLUTION

R-2026-135

WHEREAS, all bids made to purchase property from the Lawrence County Tax Claim Bureau Repository must be approved by the taxing municipality; and

WHEREAS, New Castle Land Company. placed a bid of \$500.00 on property located at Vogan St, Parcel ID No. 05-134200; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lawrence wishes to accept the above bid for property located at, Vogan St. with Parcel ID No.05-134200; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, that the Board is authorized to execute the Bid Acceptance Form accepting the bid made by New Castle Land Company in the amount of \$500.00 for Repository Property located at Vogan St, and having a Parcel ID No. 05-134200, City of New Castle, PA.

RESOLUTION

R-2026-136

WHEREAS, all bids made to purchase property from the Lawrence County Tax Claim Bureau Repository must be approved by the taxing municipality; and

WHEREAS, Carl Donald Friend placed a bid of \$500.00 on property located at Francis Street, Parcel ID No. 04-008300; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lawrence wishes to accept the above bid for property located at, Francis Street with a Parcel ID No. 04-008300; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, that the Board is authorized to execute the Bid Acceptance Form accepting the bid made by Carl Donald Friend in the amount of \$500.00 for Repository Property located at Francis Street, and having a Parcel ID No. 04-008300, Union Township.

RESOLUTION

R-2026-137

WHEREAS, all bids made to purchase property from the Lawrence County Tax Claim Bureau Repository must be approved by the taxing municipality; and

WHEREAS, Carl Donald Friend placed a bid of \$500.00 on property located at Francis Street, Parcel ID No. 34-006800; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lawrence wishes to accept the above bid for property located at, Francis Street with a Parcel ID No. 34-006800; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, that the Board is authorized to execute the Bid Acceptance Form accepting the bid made by Carl Donald Friend in the amount of \$500.00 for Repository Property located at Francis Street, and having a Parcel ID No. 34-006800, Union Township.

RESOLUTION

R-2026-138

WHEREAS, all bids made to purchase property from the Lawrence County Tax Claim Bureau Repository must be approved by the taxing municipality; and

WHEREAS, New Castle Land Company. placed a bid of \$500.00 on property located at East Washington St, Parcel ID No. 03-083000; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lawrence wishes to accept the above bid for property located at, East Washington St. with Parcel ID No.03-083000; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, that the Board is authorized to execute the Bid Acceptance Form accepting the bid made by New Castle Land Company in the amount of \$500.00 for Repository Property located at East Washington St, and having a Parcel ID No. 03-083000, City of New Castle, PA.

RESOLUTION

R-2026-139

WHEREAS, all bids made to purchase property from the Lawrence County Tax Claim Bureau Repository must be approved by the taxing municipality; and

WHEREAS, Carl Donald Friend placed a bid of \$500.00 on property located at Williams Street, Parcel ID No. 34-008500; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lawrence wishes to accept the above bid for property located at, Williams Street with a Parcel ID No. 34-008500; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, that the Board is authorized to execute the Bid Acceptance Form accepting the bid made by Carl

Donald Friend in the amount of \$500.00 for Repository Property located At Williams Street, and having a Parcel ID No. 34-008500, Union Township.

Motion made by Mr. Saintato, seconded by Mr. Kennedy. Motion carried 3-0 to approve said Repository Properties Resolutions R-2026-132 through and including Resolution R-2026-139.

- B. Advertise for bids/proposals: None
- C. Receipt for bids/proposals: None
- D. Warrant Registers:

- 1. June 16, 2026
- 2. June 18, 2026

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

MINUTES AND CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Approval of Minutes:
 - 1. June 16, 2026

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

- B. Presentation of Written Communications:

- 1. Judith A. Kindle of Wayne Township has announced her resignation from her position as Trustee and President of the Ellwood City Area Public Library.

Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Sainato to approve said written communication. Motioned carried 3-0.

VI. REPORTS

REPORTS

- A. Staff Reports: None

- B. Commissioner Reports: CS, DV, DK

Commissioner Sainato stated that Saturday he visited the cash bash in New Wilmington, PA. He attended the farmers market and then went to Anna's Bakery to get an Amish Donut. Commissioner Vogler wanted to remind the public that the Lawrence County Courthouse will be CLOSED Friday July 3rd in observance of Independence Day. Commissioner Kennedy stated that he spent some much needed time over the weekend with his family.

RESOLUTION R-2026-140

Whereas, the Lawrence County Register and Recorder's Office is renewing their maintenance contract with Neumo. (previously referred to as GovOS, a Kofile Company) The Register and Recorder's Office have had the same computer system since 2006.

This maintenance contract continues the original services: Hybrid Land Records Management for \$15,000.00 and PDF/A Archival Storage and Recurrent Conversion Fees for \$3,862.00. Both services will be paid from the office budget.

This maintenance agreement is also for Cloud Search \$8,527.00 and Virtual Probate \$8,861.00. Both services will be paid out of the Records Improvement Fund.

Whereas, the Lawrence County Register and Recorder's Office currently use the services of Neumo. The current services will continue. The term of the Existing Contract shall be extended for a period of 60 months from the Expiration Date. The initial term will end on May 28, 2031.

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

1. The Register and Recorder's Office will be entering into a contract with Neumo, 5885 Trinity Parkway, Suite 120, Centreville, VA 20120 for a term of 60 months. The term will end on May 28, 2031.
2. The fee for the Annual Maintenance Contract and the PDF/A Archival Storage and Recurrent conversion Fees will both be paid out of the office budget. The total amount will be \$18,862.00
3. The fee for the Cloud Search and the Virtual Probate will both be paid out of the Records Improvement Fund. The total amount will be \$17,388.00.

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

RESOLUTION ____R-2026-141

WHEREAS, the County of Lawrence desires to enter into an agreement for the management and delivery of shelter and other assistance to homeless individuals eligible under the provisions of the Homeless Assistance Program as published in the 2026-2026 Instruction and Requirements; and ,

WHEREAS, Lawrence County Social Services, Inc. desires to continue to provide support services to persons who are in immediate need and are homeless to the County of Lawrence.

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

1. The County shall enter into the agreement with Lawrence County Social Services, Inc. as detailed in the attached contract designated as R – 2026 - ____ for the management and delivery of emergency shelter and other case management services to the homeless under the provisions of the 2026-2027 Homeless Assistance Program.
2. This Agreement shall be in effect from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.
3. The contract allocation during the term of this Agreement is \$ 153,077 or as adjusted by the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare, plus interest earned thereon. This

agreement shall include any additional funding provided by the Department of Public Welfare for use under the Housing Assistance Program.

4. The Chairman Commissioner is granted permission to sign any and all documents pertaining to the application and administration of such funds.

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

RESOLUTION __R-2026-142

WHEREAS, the County of Lawrence desires to enter into an agreement for provision of services as a provider to persons eligible under the **Human Services Development Fund (HSDF)** published in the 2017-2024 Instruction and Requirements; and ,

WHEREAS, Lawrence County Social Services, Inc. desires to continue to provide services under the **Human Services Development Fund (HSDF)** to the County of Lawrence.

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

1. The County shall enter into the agreement with Lawrence County Social Services, Inc. as detailed in the attached contract designated as R – 2026 - ____ as a provider of services to County residents eligible under the provision of the 2026-2027 Human Services Development Fund..
2. This Agreement shall be in effect from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.
3. The contract allocation during the term of this Agreement shall be \$ 114,423 or as adjusted by the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare, plus interest earned thereon. The County shall be responsible to pay LCSS for the provision of services only to the extent the County actually receives such funds from the Commonwealth.
4. LCSS agrees to adhere to all state administrative provisions that are appropriate as published in the 2017-2024 HSDF Instructions and Requirements Manual.
5. The Chairman Commissioner is granted permission to sign any and all documents pertaining to the application and administration of such funds.

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

RESOLUTION R-2026-143

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners desires to preserve continuity in the Office of County Solicitor; and

WHEREAS, Attorney Emily Sanchez-Parodi holds the legal knowledge and expertise to efficiently conduct the duties of Assistant Solicitor; and

WHEREAS, Attorney Emily Sanchez-Parodi has experience in all legal aspects of

Lawrence County, including knowledge of litigation and current legal issues before Lawrence County; and

WHEREAS, duties shall include providing consulting services and legal representation as requested by the County, including, without limitation, those services related to Right To Know Requests and aiding the County Solicitor in court appearances. Consultant shall report regularly to the County Solicitor with updates regarding pending issues and shall be supervised directly by the County Solicitor; and

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

1. Authorization is hereby given to execute a three(3) year consulting agreement with Attorney Emily Sanchez-Parodi for legal services; and
2. The total cost is \$45,000.00 made payable in 36 monthly installments; and
3. This agreement will be retroactive to May 31, 2026, when the last agreement expired.

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

Transfers (Administrative)

- a. Voters from materials and supplies to travel and training for \$500.00.
- b. Commissioners from contingency to office major for \$14,477.86.

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

ORDINANCES

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| A. Discussion: | None |
| B. On the Table: | None |
| C. For Introduction: | None |
| D. For Final Action: | None |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A The next Commissioners' Meeting will be on June 30, 2026, at 10am in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.

B. The Lawrence County Courthouse will be CLOSED on Friday July 3rd, 2026, in observance of Independence Day.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Vogler to adjourn the Lawrence County Commissioners' meeting dated Tuesday, June 23, 2026 @ 10:30 AM. Motion carried 3-0.