

LAWRENCE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
PUBLIC MEETING
MINUTES OF Tuesday, July 7, 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, July 7, 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, Office Manager Colleen Daughtry, Devin Ryan Maresca, Joe Abrosini, Brian Burick, Kelly Smith, Amy Mckinney, Debbie Wachter & Kat Dickey 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

Devin Ryan Maresca of 308 E. Edgewood Ave New Castle, PA stated that he had an issue regarding transparency. He stated that he had sent all three Commissioners and County Administrator Joe Venasco an email regarding his concerns. Mr. Maresca explained that he had an issue with Voter Services Director Tim Germani about the process of retaining documents. Additionally, Mr. Maresca said that he was in contact with the State and the Attorney General's Office.

Commissioner Vogler thanked Mr. Maresca for bringing up his concerns and said that they were going to confer with County Solicitor Jason Medure about the issue at hand and will get in contact with Mr. Maresca in a timely manner.

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. June 30, 2026

2. July 2, 2026

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

MINUTES AND CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Approval of Minutes:

1. June 30, 2026

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

B. Presentation of Written Communications:

1. Frank B. Taylor Engineering is sending a Notice of intent on behalf of Justin Moses for a project for a single residence sewage treatment plant to replace a malfunctioning septic system serving the existing home. (Neshannock Township, PA)
2. Gibson Thomas is submitting a NPDES on behalf of United Pickle Corp. for an industrial wastewater treatment plant installation. (Scott Township)

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

VI. REPORTS

REPORTS

A. Staff Reports: None

B. Commissioner Reports: DK, CS, DV

Commissioner Kennedy stated that he went to Wilmington on Friday, then to the Ellwood City Arts Festival on Sunday.

Commissioner Sainato also attended the Ellwood Arts festival and worked at the information booth.

Commissioner Vogler was also in attendance at the Ellwood Arts Festival and worked at the information booth on Saturday. Mr. Vogler said that it was always a nice event to attend.

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WHEREAS, the New Castle Public Library has determined that the existing heating and cooling systems serving the library have reached the end of their useful service life and require replacement in order to maintain a safe, reliable, and energy-efficient public facility; and

WHEREAS, financial assistance for the Project has been awarded through the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development's Keystone Grant Program, together with local matching funds provided by the New Castle Public Library and other available funding sources; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lawrence is requesting bids from contractors to complete the above-mentioned project; and

WHEREAS, the Lawrence County Board of Commissioners will advertise bids on July 14, 2026 with bids due on August 4, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Lawrence County Board of Commissioners that the Board of Commissioners will be advertising for bids for "New Castle Public Library HVAC Chiller Replacement", with bids being due on August 4, 2026.

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

Transfers (Administrative)

- a. Public Defender from contingency to maintenance and repairs for \$1,400.00.

Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Kennedy 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 Public Commissioners' Meeting will be on July 14, 2026, at 10am in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.

B. There will be a Public Prison Board Meeting on July 15, 2026, at 12pm in the Commissioner's Meeting Room.

C. The Planning Commission Meeting for July 8th is CANCELLED. The next Planning Commission Meeting will be on August 2nd at 12pm at the Plain Grove Municipal Building.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kelly Smith of Pulaski Township stated that actions needed to be taken at the 911 center because over the weekend the dangerous storms that came through there were no sirens until the storm had passed into New Wilmington Township. Mr. Smith expressed how important it was for the Village of Pulaski to have the proper emergency notices for the safety of the residents. nb

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Vogler to adjourn the Lawrence County Commissioners' meeting dated Tuesday, July 7, 2026 @ 10:42 AM. Motion carried 3-0.