

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' WORK SESSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2022

The Board of County Commissioners met today in their weekly Work Session.

Present at today's meeting were:

Joshua G. Parsons, Chairman
Ray D'Agostino, Vice-Chairman
Craig E. Lehman
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Tammy Moyer
DEPUTY CHIEF CLERK

Jacqueline Pfursich, Esquire
COUNTY SOLICITOR

Also present were:

Leigh Bardell, Portfolio Manager
EDC FINANCE CORPORATION

Lisa Colon, Controller

Julie Holtry, Deputy Director
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH/DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

Kathy Kunkel, Deputy Controller
CONTROLLER' OFFICE

Matt Knepper, Director
AGRICULTURAL PRESERVE BOARD

Patrick Mulligan, Director
BUDGET SERVICES

Todd Rhoads, Regional Vice President
ENGLE-HAMBRIGHT & DAVIES

Daniel Scully, Interim Director
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

John Stygler, Director of Administration
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH/DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

John Trescot, Resident
LANCASTER TOWNSHIP

Suzy Wurtz, Resident
EPHRATA BOROUGH

Commissioner Parsons called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Commissioner Parsons announced the Board of Commissioners met in Executive Session on December 29, 2021, at 12 p.m. to discuss a personnel matter.

Commissioner Parsons announced the approval of the December 14, 2021, Work Session Minutes, the December 21, 2021 Work Session Minutes and December 28, 2021 Work Session Minutes.

1. Commissioner Parsons, Chairman, presented Resolution No. 1 of 2022: Nomination of Chairman of the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Parsons said it has been a tradition in Lancaster County to switch the roles of chairman and vice chairman after two years and tomorrow, he plans to hand over the gavel to Commissioner D'Agostino. The board will have to reorganize again once there is an appointment to fill Commissioner Lehman's term. Commissioner D'Agostino said he looks forward to being chairman, appreciates the opportunity, and thanked Commissioner Parsons for the leadership he provided as chairman.

Commissioner Lehman said it is atypical for someone transitioning off the board to have a vote on the reorganization and he will abstain from the vote at tomorrow's meeting.

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- 2. Commissioner D'Agostino, Vice Chairman, presented Resolution No. 2 of 2022: Nomination of Vice Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, Joshua Parsons.
- 3. Ms. Colon, Controller, and Ms. Kunkel, Deputy Controller, presented Resolution No. 3 of 2022: Banking Authority for Bank Accounts Established in the Corporate Name of the County of Lancaster.

Commissioner Lehman said due to the uniqueness of the funding streams, all three Commissioners should be added as signatories.

Commissioner Parsons said he is fine approving it as it is because it is going to have to be done again when a new Commissioner is appointed.

After additional discussion, the resolution would be updated for tomorrow's approval to include all three Commissioners.

- 4. Mr. Rhoads, Regional Vice President, presented an Agreement for Excess Worker's Compensation and Fiduciary Liability on behalf of the Commissioners' Office.
- 5. Ms. Bardell, Portfolio Manager, presented Resolution No. 4 of 2022: Next Generation Farm Loan with Christ and Sarah Fisher.
- 6. Mr. Scully, Interim Director, presented the 2022 Hazardous Materials Emergency response Preparedness Report on behalf of the Emergency Management Agency.

Mr. Scully said there was confusion on what was to be presented and he was not prepared to move forward with this item today. The item will be removed from tomorrow's agenda and be scheduled for next week.

- 7. Mr. Knepper, Director, presented Agreements of Sale of Agricultural Conservation Easements with Kenneth Myer, Thomas and Lindsey Nauman, Gerald and Lorene Nolt on behalf of the Agricultural Preserve Board.
- 8. Ms. Holtry, Deputy Director, and Mr. Stygler, Director of Administration, presented an Amended Agreement on behalf of Behavioral Health/Developmental Services.
- 9. Ms. Pfursich, County Solicitor, presented an Agreement with David Natan, Esquire, on behalf of the Solicitor's Office.
- 10. Ms. Pfursich, County Solicitor, presented Resolution No. 6 of 2022: Resolution to Adopt the Red Rose Transit Authority's Resolution to Amend Articles of Incorporation to Extend RRTA's Term of Existence.

Ms. Pfursich explained that this Resolution extends RRTA's term of existence by 50 years and was formed under the Pennsylvania Municipalities Act of 1973.

- 11. Mr. Mulligan, Director, presented Resolution No. 7 of 2022: American Rescue Plan (ARPA) Allocations for Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Items.

Mr. Mulligan explained that the allocations for the Conservancy, Steinman Foundation/Little Chickies Creek project, Judicial Operations and Sheriff's Office, as part of the Resolution, were already approved in the budget.

Commissioner Lehman said what he thinks should happen is that each of the items should be separate Resolutions with specific guidance for each one. He said because of how ARPA is set up and that they are discreet projects, he thinks they should be separate resolutions.

Commissioner D'Agostino said it does not need to be a separate Resolution but in the past had the guidance. Commissioner Parsons said he does not care whether the Resolution is separate or altogether but agrees it should specify what the authorizing language is for each one. The Resolution will not be presented at tomorrow's meeting to give Mr. Mulligan more time to reference under expenditures, the individual pages that will be attached.

- 12. On motion of Commissioner Lehman, seconded by Commissioner D'Agostino, the following re-appointments were made to the Lancaster County Office of Aging Advisory Council for three-year terms commencing January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2024.

Ellen Berfond	Barbara Spruill	Tom Strickler
Shelly Gunzenhauser	Dr. Michael Moran	Jennifer Santiago
J. Chadwick Schnee	Megan Hedman	Mukaram Syed

Deborah Bortle
Lancaster County residents.
Motion passed unanimously.

- 13. Ms. Moyer presented the January 5, 2022, Commissioners' Meeting Agenda.

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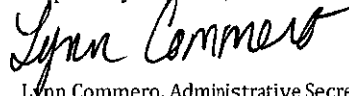
Mr. Trascot from Lancaster Township inquired about the Court's process to appoint a Commissioner to fill Commissioner Lehman's term.

Ms. Wurtz, a working mother and student from Ephrata Borough, inquired about how many public meetings the Commissioners have in other parts of the county and suggested that they offer more evening meetings outside the Government Center building to accommodate residents who work during the day and want a say in County government.

14. On motion of Commissioner D'Agostino, seconded by Commissioner Lehman, the meeting was adjourned at 10:43 a.m.

Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Lynn Commero, Administrative Secretary
Commissioners' Office