

THE MINUTES OF THE BRADFORD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 2021

PRESENT: Daryl Miller, Doug McLinko, John Sullivan

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Bradford County Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Daryl Miller at 10:00 am.

VISITOR REMARKS CONCERNING AGENDA

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

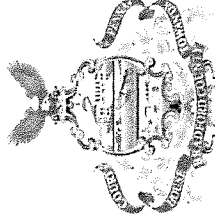
A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted “aye” to approve the Minutes of May 27, 2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted “aye” to awarding the ATM Request for proposal to C&N Bank.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted “aye” to approve proclaiming the week of June 7-11, 2021 as Child Welfare Professionals Appreciation Week in Bradford County.

Daryl L. Miller, Chairman
Doug McLinko, Vice Chairman
John M Sullivan, Commissioner



Michelle L. Shedden, Chief Clerk
Jonathan Foster, Solicitor

**Bradford County Commissioners Office
Bradford County Proclamation
Children and Youth staff appreciation week**

WHEREAS, the week of June 7-11, 2021 has been proclaimed as Child Welfare Professionals Appreciation Week by Governor Wolf, recognizing the efforts of child welfare professionals serving the children of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, every day in Bradford County, local children are at risk of child abuse and neglect or have been removed from their homes due to such abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS, we, the Commissioners of Bradford County recognize the risks and the need to protect the children in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, the challenging task of investigating child abuse, providing services to families, assessing safety, and providing services to ensure that the children of Bradford County are provided with nurturance, family connections, support as they transition into adulthood, and services that allow a child to remain safely in their home or return home as expeditiously as possible made more challenging by the global pandemic falls to the child welfare professionals of Bradford County's child welfare system; and

WHEREAS, the work of child welfare professionals may require them to enter into situations in which their personal safety may be put at risk; and

WHEREAS, the work of child welfare professionals of Bradford County require them to take on the role of frontline essential workers in the time of a global pandemic and provide services to the families of Bradford County despite the risk to the professional's health and safety; and

WHEREAS, child welfare professionals work in difficult and emotional situations with children who have been victimized by physical abuse, sexual abuse, neglect, and other forms of maltreatment; and

WHEREAS, the professionals of Bradford County CYS must develop great skill in working with families who are in crisis situations, struggling with mental health challenges, suffering from drug and alcohol afflictions, poverty, and other difficult issues; and

WHEREAS, the professionals of Bradford County CYS must develop substantial knowledge and skills surrounding the rights of families, the laws surrounding child welfare, and the legal processes governing the system; and

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WHEREAS, the staff of Bradford County CYS selflessly undertake the endeavor to protect Pennsylvania's children, often with low pay, long hours, tremendous demands, little appreciation, great criticism, and with dramatic impacts to their personal life; and

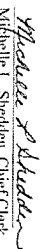
WHEREAS, every year, child welfare professionals are injured or killed in their pursuit to protect children across the United States; and

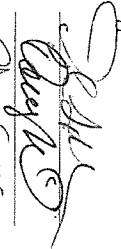
WHEREAS, the Coronavirus epidemic has created substantial challenges in providing child welfare services to which the staff of child welfare rose most proficetently; and

WHEREAS, innumerable injuries and deaths of children in Bradford County have been averted due to the efforts of Bradford County CYS therefore, in special recognition of the efforts of Bradford County CYS serving the children of Bradford County, We, the Commissioners of Bradford County, do hereby issue this Resolution recognizing the staff of Bradford County Children and Youth Services for their dedicated efforts in protection the children of Bradford County.

THEREFORE, We, the Bradford County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim the week of May 3-7, 2021 as Children and Youth staff appreciation week.

ATTEST:


Michelle L. Shedden, Chief Clerk


Daryl Sullivan
Bradford County Commissioners

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A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted “aye” to approve reappointing the following individuals to the Northern Tier Regional Planning and Development Commission Advisory Committee as follows:

Economic Development: Eric Thomason, Thomas Thompson and Joe Quatrini
NTRPDC Membership: John Sullivan, Daryl Miller, Lori Barnett, Doug McLinko
Member at Large: Jody Place
Local Loan Review: Sue Williams, Keith Kline and Anthony Gabello
Rural Area Transportation: Matt Williams, Doug McLinko, and Rick Biery

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted “aye” to approve a contract for the State Food Purchase Program approving the commitment of 92% of the State Food Purchase Grant monies to be used to purchase food through commercial food distribution in our region with 8% being used for administrative costs for the program for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 (July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022).

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted “aye” to approve the agreement with Victoria Martin, Esquire, to provide legal services to clients on behalf of the Bradford County office of the Public Defender as needed at the rate of \$45.00 per hour, not to exceed a total of fifteen hours per week effective June 15, 2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted “aye” to approve the Medical Assistance Transportation Program Participation Grant Agreement & Assurance of Compliance for 2021 effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted “aye” to ratify action taken on June 2, 2021 accepting the formal proposal by HUNT Engineers for the 2019 CDBG Canton War Memorial Park ADA Improvements Projects in Canton Borough.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted “aye” to ratify action taken on May 28, 2021 to approve an agreement between Pennsylvania County Health Insurance Cooperative and Bradford County to perform a dependent eligibility audit.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted “aye” to approve authorize the Chief Clerk to sign a letter requesting a time extension for Bridge 38.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted “aye” to approve the appointment of Teresa Bustin to the Bradford County MH/ID advisory board effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted “aye” to approve the amended Unit of Service Funding Contract between Bradford and Sullivan County Joinder and The Main Link effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted “aye” to approve the Amended Agreement by and between the County of Bradford and The Main Link. The Amended Agreement is to increase HAP funding to \$55,398 and The Main Link expendable to \$36,483.00 for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted “aye” to approve the following Purchase of Service Agreements between Bradford County Human Services/Children and Youth Services effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

Bethany Christian Services
Futures Community Support Services, Inc
Families United Network Inc.
Keystone Adolescent Center

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted “aye” to approve the following:

The hire of Cassandra Evans full-time Dietary Attendant, per the recommendation of Phil Sell, Manor Administrator effective June 2, 2021.

The hire of Diana MacBride full-time LPN, per recommendation of Phil Sell, Manor Administrator effective June 9, 2021.

The hire of Perry McDonald part-time casual Nurse Aide, per recommendation of Phil Sell, Manor Administrator effective June 9, 2021.

The hire of John Hinkle part-time casual housekeeping attendant, per recommendation of Phil Sell, Manor Administrator effective June 2, 2021.

The hire of Mandy Lundy full-time Human Resources Assistant, per recommendation of Phil Sell, Manor Administrator effective June 14, 2021.

The hire of Alexis Morse part-time casual dietary attendant, per recommendation of Phil Sell, Manor Administration effective June 9, 2021.

The transfer of Keith Morton from full-time Dispatcher Trainee to full-time Dispatcher I, per recommendation of Rob Repasky, 911 Director effective June 1, 2021.

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The transfer of Kaitlin Strobe from full-time Correctional Officer to Clerk Typist 2 at the Correctional Facility, per recommendation of Don Stewart, Warden effective June 14, 2021.

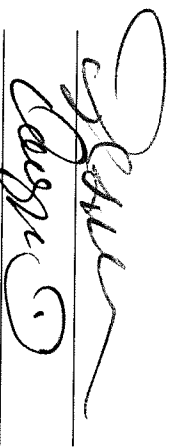

The hire of Cody Wibirt Summer Parks, per recommendation of Rod Manley, Maintenance Director effective June 7, 2021.

The hire of Travis Wibirt Summer Parks, per recommendation of Rod Manley, Maintenance Director effective June 7, 2021.

The transfer of Stacy L. Powers from Mental Health County Caseworker 2 to Children and Youth County Caseworker 2, per recommendation of Mayme B. Carter, Human Service Director effective June 22, 2021.

OTHER

Marisa Rinde has been hired in response to a Court Order from the Court of Common Pleas, to the position of Probation Officer, effective June 14, 2021.



Bradford County Commissioners

SALARY BOARD
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 2021

PRESENT: Daryl Miller, Doug McLinko, John Sullivan and Matt Allen

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Matt Allen, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to ratify action taken on May 27, 2021 to approve a MOU between Bradford County and ASFME to increase all union members pay rate by 1.00 per hour.


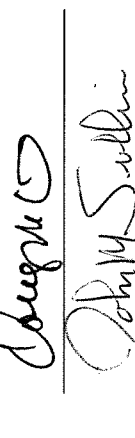
A motion was made by Matt Allen, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan, all voted "aye" to set the following salaries:

Cassandra Evans, FT Dietary Attendant Effective June 2, 2021	MU9 \$11.00 per hour
Diana MacBride, FT LPN Effective June 9, 2021	Grade 22 \$24.00 per hour
Perry McDonald, PTC Nurse Aide Effective June 9, 2021	MU12 \$11.75 per hour
John Hinkle, PT Casual Housekeeping Assistant Effective June 2, 2021	MU9 \$11.00 per hour
Mandy Lundy, FT Human Resources Assistant Effective June 14, 2021	Grade 16 \$13.65 per hour

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Alexis Morse, PT Casual Dietary Attendant Effective June 9, 2021	MU9 \$11.00 per hour
Keith Morton, FT Dispatcher 1 Effective June 1, 2021	G17PSC \$13.38 per hour
Kaitlin Strobe, FT Clerk Typist 2 Effective June 14, 2021	Grade 13 \$15.56 per hour
Vera Torres, FT Correction Officer Effective June 22, 2021	\$15.00 per hour
Christie New, FT CNA Effective June 2, 2021	MU12 \$13.03 per hour
Paige Heath, Per Diem CNA Effective May 28, 2021	MU12 \$15.50 per hour
Charlotte McBratney, Per Diem RN Effective April 25, 2021	Grade 27 \$40.00 per hour
Harry Hadlock, Per Diem LPN Wound Nurse Effective April 25, 2021	Grade 22 \$27.00 per hour
Cody Wibirt, Summer Parks Effective June 7, 2021	Grade 7 \$10.00 per hour
Travis Wibirt, Summer Parks Effective June 7, 2021	Grade 7 \$10.00 per hour
Stacy L. Powers, CYS County Caseworker 2 Effective June 22, 2021	Grade 24 \$20.88 per hour
Kelsey Jamison, ID County Caseworker 2 Effective April 26, 2021	Grade 22 \$20.79 per hour
Marisa Rinde, FT Probation Officer Effective June 14, 2021	per union contract \$18.00 per hour


Bradford County Treasurer



Salary Board

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT
THURSDAY, MAY 27, 2021

PRESENT: Daryl Miller, Doug McLinko, John Sullivan

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to approve Occupational changes for the month of May 2021.


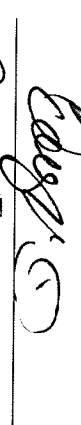

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A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to approve Real Estate changes for the month of May 2021

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to approve the following for exempt status:

Bruce E Daugherty
34983 Route 187
Rome, PA 18837
Veterans Exemption- RENEWAL
PARCEL # 27-037-00-086
Effective May 21, 2021

Brenda Zajac
475 Jacobs Road
Rome, PA 18837
Veterans Exemption- RENEWAL
PARCEL # 59-024.00-023-002
Effective May 21, 2021




Board of Assessment

VISITORS REMARKS

Introduction of Al Ondrey as newly appointed District Attorney on June 1, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner McLinko, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan, all voted "aye" to adjourn at 10:25 a.m.