

THE MINUTES OF THE BRADFORD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 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

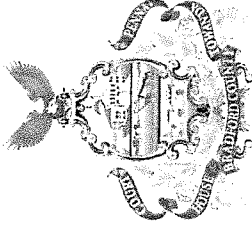
UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted “aye” to approving the Minutes of August 26, 2021.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted “aye” to proclaiming the month of September 2021 as National Recovery Month.

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



Michelle L. Shedden, Chief Clerk
Jonathan Foster, Solicitor

Bradford County Commissioners Office

Recovery Month 2021 Proclamation

WHEREAS, behavioral health is an essential part of health and one’s overall wellness; and

WHEREAS, recovery from alcohol and other drug use occurs every day through a variety of recovery support resources and treatment programs; and

WHEREAS, prevention of mental and substance use disorders works, treatment is effective, and people recover across Pennsylvania and around the nation; and

WHEREAS, millions of people across the United States are in long-term recovery living happy, healthy, and productive lives; and

WHEREAS, the 2021 National Recovery Month theme, “Recovery is For Everyone: Every Person, Every Family, Every Community,” reminds people in recovery and those who support them that no one is alone in the journey through recovery. Everyone’s journey is different, but we are all in this together, and

WHEREAS, education about recovery and addiction is essential to combating the stigma and discrimination faced by people in recovery; is needed by all Pennsylvanians including public health and safety officials, the workforce, older adults, and families; and

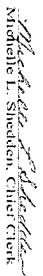
WHEREAS, to help more people achieve and sustain long-term recovery, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy, the Pennsylvania Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs, and Bradford/Sullivan Drug & Alcohol, Single County Authority, invite all residents of Bradford County to participate in National Recovery Month;

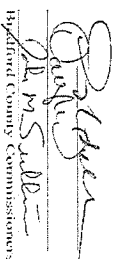
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Bradford County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim September 2021 as "National Recovery Month" in Bradford County.

Proclaimed this 9 day of September, 2021.

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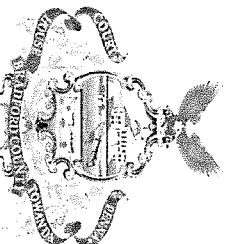

Michelle L. Shedd, Chief Clerk


John M. Sullivan
Bradford County Commissioner

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A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to proclaiming the month of September 2021 as Suicide Awareness and Prevention month.

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



Michelle L. Shedd, Chief Clerk
Jonathan Foster, Solicitor

Bradford County Commissioners Office

Suicide Awareness & Prevention Month 2021 Proclamation

WHEREAS, suicide is a leading cause of death in the United States; and

WHEREAS, in the state of Pennsylvania, one person dies by suicide every four hours, making it the second leading cause of death for ages 15-34 and the 4th leading cause of death for ages 35-54.; and

WHEREAS, nearly five million people in the United States have lost a loved one to suicide; and

WHEREAS, each member of our community is valued and irreplaceable; and

WHEREAS, talking openly about stress and psychological health builds trust, reduces barriers to care, and enables early intervention; and

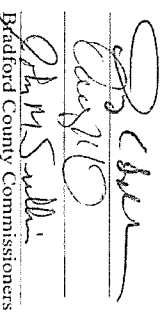
WHEREAS, local and statewide suicide prevention efforts should be developed and encouraged to the maximum extent possible; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Bradford County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim September 2021 as "Suicide Awareness and Prevention Month" and September 10, 2021 as "Suicide Awareness and Prevention Day" in Bradford County

Proclaimed this 9 day of September, 2021.

ATTEST:


Michelle L. Shedd, Chief Clerk

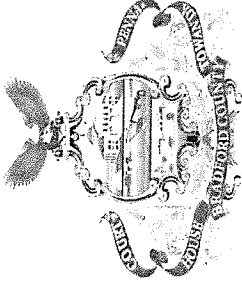

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A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to proclaiming September 19th through September 25th National Adult Basic Education and Family Literacy week.

Daryl Miller, Chairman
Dong McLinko, Vice Chairman
John Sullivan, Commissioner



Michelle L. Shedden, Chief Clerk
Jonathan Foster, Solicitor

Bradford County Commissioners Office

National Adult Education & Family Literacy Week (September 9, 2021)

- WHEREAS, more than 43 million American adults cannot read, write, or do basic math above a third grade level, as well as lack the credentials and skills necessary to succeed in a career or post-secondary education; and
- WHEREAS, 73% of state incarcerated individuals did not complete high school or can be classified as low literate; and
- WHEREAS, workers who have less education than a high school diploma make three times less than workers with the highest level of education; and
- WHEREAS, Adult Education programs, such as the Bradford Wyoming County Literacy Program, contribute to solving these challenges by helping Americans move along the continuum in their educational journey to achieve basic skills and get prepared for a career or post-secondary education; and
- WHEREAS, incarcerated individuals who participate in adult education programs are 43% less likely to recidivate than inmates who did not; and
- WHEREAS, these programs offer low or no cost, high value opportunities which upgrade the skill set of our citizens; and
- WHEREAS, the Bradford Wyoming County Literacy Program celebrates Adult Education and Family Literacy Week as a proud participant in the national Educate & Elevate Campaign which helps our citizens learn about all of their Adult Education options to attain their professional and personal goals.


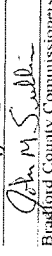
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NOW THEREFORE, WE, THE BRADFORD CO. COMMISSIONERS do hereby proclaim that September 19-25th, 2021 to be designated as NATIONAL ADULT BASIC EDUCATION AND FAMILY LITERACY WEEK IN BRADFORD COUNTY.

Proclaimed this 9 day of September, 2021.

ATTEST:


Michelle L. Shedden, Chief Clerk



Bradford County Commissioners

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A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to approving Resolution 2021-09 supporting Guthrie reissuing and converting their 2019 Revenue Bonds from taxable, to tax-exempt.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to approving Resolution 2021-10 supporting the issuance of Revenue Bonds by the Central Bradford Progress Authority for the Guthrie Healthcare System in the amount of \$250,000,000.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to ratifying action taken on September 2, 2021 to approve a collective bargaining agreement between Bradford County and Teamsters Local 118, representing the Bradford County Corrections Officers.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to approving the Purchase Service Agreement between Bradford County Human Services/Children and Youth Services and the following providers, effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 inclusive:

Centre County Youth Service Bureau
Shawn McGill Consulting
David Brann, (Brann, Williams, Caudwell, & Sheetz)

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to approving the Purchase of Service Agreement between Bradford County Human Services Agency, operator of Bradford/Sullivan County Mental Health/Intellectual Disability Programs (MH/ID) and Tim Cahill effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 inclusive.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to approving a budget revision for CDBG 2019 Canton Borough War Memorial Park Project from \$67,000.00 to \$100,800.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to approving an agreement with Larry Acla to be Park Manager for Sunfish Pond County Park effective September 7, 2021 thru November 1, 2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to approving the transfer for Megan Meyer full time CNA to per diem CNA, per recommendation Tamara Chandler, Manor Administrator effective September 6, 2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to approving the hire of Taylor Mulcahy full time LPN Wound Care Nurse, per recommendation Tamara Chandler, Manor Administrator effective August 27, 2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to approving the hire of Gabrielle Collins, part time casual Valet, per recommendation Tamara Chandler, Manor Administrator effective September 7, 2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to approving the hire of Alexia Hayes full time Dietary Attendant, per recommendation Tamara Chandler, Manor Administrator effective September 1, 2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to approving the transfer of Jodie Hallock full time LPN to part time Casual LPN, per recommendation Tamara Chandler, Manor Administrator effective September 6, 2021.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to approving the transfer for Emily Jennings full time LPN to part time Casual LPN, per recommendation Tamara Chandler, Manor Administrator effective September 6, 2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to approving the transfer of Alexander Kipp full time Corrections Officer to full time Correctional Facility Maintenance Building Mechanic 1, per recommendation Don Stewart, Warden effective September 7, 2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to approving the transfer of Billie Jo Terry full time ID Case Worker II to full time Int. Disabilities Specialist 1, per recommendation Mayme Carter, Human Services Director effective August 30, 2021.

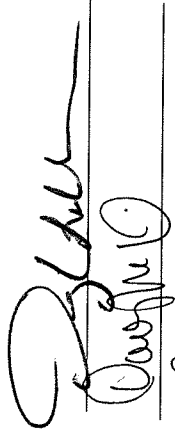

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to approving the hire of Joshua R. Welch, County Caseworker 2, Children & Youth Services, per recommendation Mayme Carter, Human Services Director effective September 28, 2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to the transfer of Kathy Fuschino full time Human Resource Assistant to full time Chief Deputy, per recommendation Sheila Johnson, Register and Recorder Director effective September 13, 2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to approving the hire of Cody Barto full time Deputy Sheriff, per recommendation CJ Walters, Sheriff effective September 1, 2021.

OTHER

Department of Transportation presenting an award for the 2020 Bridge Bundle.



Bradford County Commissioners

SALARY BOARD

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 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 Sullivan, all voted "aye" to set the following salaries:

Megan Meyer, PT CNA
Effective September 6, 2021

MU12
\$15.50

Taylor Mulcahy, FT LPN Wound Care Nurse
Effective August 27, 2021

Grade 22
\$24.00

Gabrielle Collins, PT Valet
Effective September 7, 2021


\$10.00

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Alexia Hayes, FT Dietary Attendant Effective September 1, 2021	MU9 \$11.00
Jodie Hallock, PT LPN Effective September 6, 2021	Grade 22 \$24.35
Emily Jennings, PT LPN Effective September 6, 2021	Grade 22 \$21.00
Alexander Kipp, FT Building Mechanic 1 Effective September 7, 2021	Grade 18 \$15.03
Billie Jo Terry, FT Int. Disabilities Specialist 1 Effective August 30, 2021	Grade 23 \$19.60
Joshua R. Welch, County Caseworker 2 Effective September 28, 2021	Grade 24 \$20.17
Kathy Fuschino, FT Chief Deputy Register & Recorder Effective September 13, 2021	Grade 18 \$15.33
Cody Barto, FT Deputy Sheriff Effective September 1, 2021	G20PSC \$18.00



Bradford County Treasurer



John M Sullivan
Salary Board

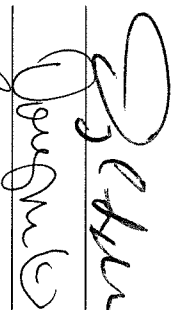
BOARD OF ASSESSMENT
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2021
PRESENT: Daryl Miller, Doug McLinko, John Sullivan


UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to approving the Real Estate Audit for the month of August 2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner McLinko, all voted "aye" to approving the Occupation Audit for the month of August 2021.





Board of Assessment

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VISITORS REMARKS

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner McLinko, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan, all voted "aye" to adjourn at 11:01 a.m.

