

COMMISSIONERS GENERAL SESSION

October 18, 2021

Present at the meeting were

Commissioners:

Brian S. Allen – Chairman
Gary R. Eby – Vice-Chairman
Brenda L. Watson – Secretary
William R. Bunt – Solicitor via telephone
Shannon Hines – Chief Clerk

Present from the Press: Jim Ryan

Present from the Public via WebEx Video/Telephone or In Person: Alane Balchunas, Mary Ann Brownawell, Noah Cline, Jan Gibboney, Sarah Keller, Dave Magee, Bob Ressler, Deb Rock, and Wes Smith

Commissioner Allen opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. on October 18, 2021 with the Pledge to the Flag and a moment of silence. The meeting was conducted in person and via WebEx telephone/video conference in the Commissioners' Meeting Room. The meeting was recorded by the County.

Announcements/Updates: Commissioner Allen stated that the October 25, 2021 Commissioners' Meeting would be taking place at the Shermans Dale Fire Company at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioner Eby commented that the County's Bicentennial Celebration would take place on October 24, 2021 at the Lynn Sheaffer Dum Memorial Park. He encouraged everyone to attend the historic event.

Commissioner Watson said that on October 27, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. the County is hosting a meeting between DEP and Hawbaker Inc. regarding the mining concerns raised by residents about the quarry in Centre Township. She stated that the meeting would take place in the main courtroom.

Public Comments: Alane Balchunas questioned how the Commissioners would be addressing overweight mail in ballots.

Sarah Keller commented that Senator DiSanto would be holding two Veteran Appreciation Breakfasts. She said that one breakfast would be held on November 18, 2021 at the Linglestown American Legion Post #272, and the other would be held on November 19 at the New Bloomfield VFW Post #7463. Ms. Keller stated that more information and to register for the event, visit senatordisanto.com or call his office. She also commented that veterans may bring one guest to the breakfast.

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 11, 2021 Commissioners' Meeting. Commissioner Eby seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Meeting Business: Commissioner Eby made a motion to approve the MH/IDD contracts for Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities and Mental Health for fiscal year 2020/2021 and fiscal year 2021/2022 in the total amount of \$969,119 (attached). Commissioner Watson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Employee Status: Commissioner Eby, based on the recommendation of Sheriff Hammar and completion of the required background checks, made a motion to approve the appointment of Bryan D. Devlin to the position of Part Time Deputy in the Sheriff's Office effective October 19, 2021 at an hourly rate of \$19.27. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Solicitor's Report: None

Public Comments: None

Comments from the Press: Jim Ryan questioned how the broadband negotiations were going. He asked about the service level of Upward Broadband. He also asked what level of service will be fiber to home, wireless, or some other service method.

Commissioner Eby recognized former employee Deb Rock, who had recently retired from the Perry County Area Agency on Aging, and was in attendance at the meeting.

Commissioner Watson made a motion to adjourn at 10:14 a.m. Commissioner Eby seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried. Commissioner Allen reminded everyone that an Election Board meeting would be held on 11:00 a.m. and the Webex information was the same for that meeting.

Shannon Hines, Chief Clerk

Brenda L. Watson, Secretary

MH/IDD Contract FY 2020/2021

Provider / Summary of Services	Contract #	Status	Previous Contract Total	Current Contract Total	Increase / Decrease
<i>Mental Health</i>					
CUMBERLAND COUNTY (PRISON)	MH20-0020	Increase	\$38,156	\$39,521	\$1,365
Amendment - Increase due to additional services billed					
MH Services - Transitional and community integration services (one half of the					
counselor position salary and benefits at prison)					
Total All Contracts				\$39,521	

MH/IDD Contracts FY 2021/2022

Provider / Summary of Services	Contract #	Status	Previous Contract Total	Current Contract Total	Increase / Decrease
<i>Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities</i>					
THE ADVOCACY ALLIANCE	ID21-0137	No Change	\$791,278	\$791,278	-
Renewal - No change for FY 21-22					
IDD Services - Health Care Quality Unit (HCQU); Health Risk Screen Tool (HRST);					

certified investigations					
THE CORNERSTONE AGENCY OF PA INC	ID21-0147	Increase	\$2,452	\$7,452	\$5,000
Amendment - Increase for FY 21-22 due to additional services					
IDD Services - Behavior support; communications specialist					
THE DEVEREUX FOUNDATION	ID21-0009	Increase	\$107,179	\$111,468	\$4,289
Renewal - Increase for FY 21-22					
IDD Services - Residential					
<i>Mental Health</i>					
COMMUNITY SERVICES GROUP INC	MH21-0083	New	-	\$12,305	\$12,305
New for FY 21-22					
MH Services - Outpatient					
LIVING UNLIMITED INC	MH21-0051	Decrease	\$12,913	\$4,335	(\$8,578)
Renewal - Decrease for FY 21-22					
MH Services - Family support services					
NAMI CUMBERLAND AND PERRY COUNTIES, PA	MH21-0011	Decrease	\$9,240	\$2,760	(\$6,480)
Renewal - Decrease for FY 21-22					
MH Services - Family support services					
Total All Contracts				\$929,598	