

**COMMISSIONERS GENERAL SESSION**  
**January 30, 2023**

**Present at the meeting were**

**Commissioners:**

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

**Present from the Press:** None

**Present from the Public in Person or via WebEx:** Frank Campbell, Brandi Clendenin, Dana Cotton, Rich Fultz, Sarah Geesaman, Dr. Patricia Gutheil, Dave Hammar, Taira Little, Bill Lyons, Darla McNaughton, Rich Pluta, Dave Pundock, Faith Pundock, Larry Reisinger, Rob Troxell, Randy Waggoner, and Greg Wirth

Commissioner Allen requested that Commissioner Watson run the meeting as he was participating virtually due to testing positive for COVID. Commissioner Watson opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. on January 30, 2023 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' Conference Room. The meeting was recorded by the County.

**Announcements/Updates:** None

**Public Comments:** None

**Approval of Minutes:** Commissioner Allen made a motion approve the minutes from the January 23, 2023 meeting. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Commissioner Allen made a motion to affirm the actions taken at the January 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting held at Buffalo Township. Commisisoner Watson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

**Approval of the Warrant List(s):** Commissioner Allen made a motion to approve the warrant lists totaling \$810,268.03 and noted that \$243,602.81 was for expenses in 2022 and \$566,665.22 was for 2023 expenses. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

**Meeting Business:** Commissioner Allen made a motion to approve the proposal from Clear Ballot for 2023 primary election support. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Commissioner Allen made a motion to approve the Cooperation Agreement with the Friends of Clark's Ferry Tavern and the Borough of Duncannon for RACP grant funding. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Greg Wirth, Perry County Area Agency on Aging Director, stated that contracting out Ombudsman services will benefit the County as it is less expensive than having County staff perform the job and the provider will perform all the State requirements and monitoring. Commissioner Allen made a motion to approve the contract for Ombudsman Services with Union/Snyder Agency on Aging Inc. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

**Employee Status:** Commissioner Allen made a motion to approve the appointment of Darla McNaughton to the position of Deputy Chief Assessor in the Tax Assessment Department effective January 31, 2023 at an

hourly rate of \$22.48. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried. Randy Waggoner, Chief Assessor, said he should have made the request sooner and the appointment is well deserved.

Commissioner Allen made a motion to approve the appointment of Katina Barrick to the position of Full Time Clerk in the Magisterial District Courts effective January 31, 2023 at an hourly rate of \$14.03. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Commissioner Allen made a motion to accept the resignation of Kimberly Walton, Dispatcher Trainee in the 911 Center effective January 24, 2023. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

**Solicitor's Report:** Solicitor Bunt said that Commissioner Allen had notified him that he would be seeking reelection and David Lanza had been appointed by the court to serve on the Election Board in place of Commissioner Allen. He also noted that Commissioner Watson is seeking reelection and he would be notifying the court to fill her position on the Election Board. Solitor Bunt stated that whomever is appointed to fill Commissioner Eby's vacancy, will also serve on the Election Board, as long as they are not seeking to be elected.

**Public Comments:** Randy Waggoner, Chief Assessor, complimented the teamwork between the Treasurer's Office, Commissioner Watson, and Chief Clerk Hines in helping Darla McNaughton fill a tax collector vacancy. He said everyone pulled together to get the new tax collector on board.

Dana Cotton asked if Commissioner Watson's position on the Election Board will be filled with a Democrat.

Dr. Patricia Gutheil wished more health and healing to Gary Eby.

Commissioner Watson stated that she is working on a new broadband RFQ and hopes to have it out in the next week and a half to two weeks. She said there are approximately 13 vendors waiting to respond to the new RFQ.

**Comments from the Press:** None

Commissioner Allen made a motion to adjourn at 10:14 a.m. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

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Shannon Hines, Chief Clerk

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Brenda L. Watson, Secretary