

## COMMISSIONERS GENERAL SESSION

May 2, 2022

### Present at the meeting were

#### Commissioners:

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

**Present from the Press:** None

**Present from the Public via WebEx Video/Telephone or In Person:** Ed Albright, Frank Campbell, Brandi Clendenin, Rich Fultz, Stan Good, Michelle Jones, Dan Kilgore, Taira Little, Dave Magee, Rich Pluta, Ryan Simon, Kyleigh Spidle, Rob Troxell, Wes Smith, and Greg Wirth

Commissioner Allen opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. on May 2, 2022 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 recognized Parole and Corrections Employee Week May 1 – 7, 2022 via a proclamation from the Office of the Governor. He commented on the importance of these employees and thanked them for their service to the County.

**Public Comments:** Dave Magee commented on the nationwide opioid settlement. He asked if the County had received their allotment of the settlement and if there was an update on the topic.

Kyleigh Spidle introduced herself as the new Main Street Coordinator with the Perry County Economic Development Authority.

**Approval of Minutes:** Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 25, 2022 Commissioners' Meeting. Commissioner Eby seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

**Meeting Business:** Commissioner Eby made a motion to approve the Area Agency on Aging service agreements with Heidi Koch and Karen Pelton. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Ryan Simon, from Cumberland-Perry Drug & Alcohol Commission, stated that the contract on the agenda regarding a Recovery and Re-entry Program was for the term beginning January 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022. He said that previously these services were directly contracted with the Pennsylvania Department of Drug and Alcohol Program (DDAP), but at the end of that contract JFT was encouraged to contract directly with the Cumberland-Perry Drug & Alcohol Commission. Mr. Simon commented that DDAP will cover the request for the second half of the fiscal year.

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the Cumberland-Perry Drug & Alcohol Commission contract with JFT Recovery & Veteran's Services Inc. for a Recovery and Re-entry Program. Commissioner Eby seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Commissioner Eby made a motion to table the maintenance agreement with Hadfield Elevator for the Courthouse elevator until additional information was received. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the following appointments to the Perry County Economic Development Authority Board. Michelle Jones commented that each candidate had been interviewed by the EDA Board, had attended a meeting, and would be good additions to the Board. Commissioner Eby seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

- Dee Anderson
- David Misner

**Employee Status:** Commissioner Eby made a motion to approve the appointment of Dylan Hoover to the position of Full Time Dispatcher in the 911 Center effective May 16, 2022 at an hourly rate of \$18.45. Commissioner Watson asked what shift Mr. Hoover would be working. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

**Solicitor's Report:** None

**Public Comments:** Dan Kilgore stated that the State would be releasing new rules on recovery houses. He commented that there are many lawsuits related to the old rules, and in his opinion the new rules are worse. Mr. Kilgore said that the new rules would require everyone to share the same room and facilities. He stated that he hoped Perry County would design programs that would allow programs to function and have success rates as there had been no success in the past.

Taira Little, from the Chamber of Commerce, stated that on May 25<sup>th</sup> they would be hosting a Q&A session with the Commissioners at the Ranch House.

**Comments from the Press:** None

Commissioner Eby 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