

## COMMISSIONERS GENERAL SESSION

July 24, 2023

### Present at the meeting were

#### Commissioners:

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

**Present from the Press:** Paul Wyatt

**Present from the Public in Person or via WebEx:** Thomas Allen, Steve Barlup, Mary Lou Blair, Frank Campbell, Brandi Clendenin, Rich Fultz, Kristie Gantt, George Gochenaur, Dr. Pat Gutheil, Dave Hammar, Jason Harvey, Douglas Hockenberry, Randy Kessler, Art Lindsay, Bill Lyons, Michael Pelino, Dave Pundock, Faith Pundock, Deb Shrawder, Marty Smith, Rob Troxell

Commissioner Allen opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. on July 24, 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 and Randy Kessler.

**Announcements/Updates:** Commissioner Allen commented that the Perry County Fair was coming up next month. He said the Commissioners would be holding a public meeting on August 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at the fairgrounds.

**Public Comments:** Art Lindsay said he had received a letter stating that the Meadow Grove Road upgrade project was rejected by the grants group. He asked how the project can be reconsidered as there was a head on collision over the weekend on the road. Mr. Lindsay commented on the commerce located on the road, as well as the plan to add bike and walking paths. He said a traffic study to reduce the speed limit was completed and said he now has project plans to provide. He further stated that he is trying to go directly through PennDOT but wants to move the project forward.

Douglas Hockenberry said he had read in the newspaper that three of Commissioner Watson's properties had unpaid taxes for 2021 and 2022. He commented that a person in her position should know the importance of tax revenue and asked if she planned to allow the properties to go to sale. He stated that it seems as though her affairs are not in order.

George Gochenaur asked why the Commissioners meetings cannot be held in the evenings. He said most people are at work during the day and do not have access to attend the meetings. He requested that the Commissioners consider offering the meetings in the evening permanently and hold them in the courtroom to allow more people to attend. Mr. Gochenaur said he lives on Meadow Grove Road and the road is in dire need of repair. He said the project should be reconsidered for grant funding. He quoted the newspaper regarding the last tax increase. He asked if there was no reserve fund that could have been used to make up the budget deficit instead of raising taxes. Mr. Gochenaur also questioned if the reserve fund was invested and earning interest.

**Approval of Minutes:** Commissioner Reisinger made a motion approve the minutes from the July 17, 2023 meeting. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

**Meeting Business:** Solicitor Bunt opened bids for a body scanner at the Perry County Prison. The following bids were received:

- Linev Systems - \$139,500 including shipping and warranty options

- Tek84 - \$142,000 including shipping, training, warranty

Warden Harvey explained how a body scanner works and the reason for the machine. He said the body scanner will identify weapons and drugs within the body and reduce the liability to the County. He stated that the machine would be purchased using commissary funds.

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the Cumberland-Perry Drug & Alcohol Commission contracts (attached). Commissioner Reisinger seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Commissioner Reisinger made a motion to approve the 2023/2024 In-Home Contracts for Children & Youth Services (attached). Commissioner Watson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the appointment of Chris Fisher to the Perry County LEPC as the HazMat Team Representative. Commissioner Reisinger seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

**Employee Status:** Commissioner Reisinger made a motion to approve the transfer of Ryan Nace to the position of Full Time Dispatcher in the 911 Center effective July 29, 2023 at an hourly rate of \$16.66. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the appointment of Halie Burton to the position of Part Time Dispatcher Trainee in the 911 Center effective July 25, 2023 at an hourly rate of \$11.84. Commissioner Reisinger seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried. Art Lindsay commented that the pay was low and said the minimum pay for the County should be set at \$15.00/hour.

**Solicitor's Report:** None

**Public Comments:** Douglas Hockenberry asked how often a financial audit is done of the County. He questioned who conducts the audit.

George Gochenaur asked if the audit was public record and if a right to know could be filed to receive it.

**Comments from the Press:** None

Commissioner Reisinger made a motion to adjourn at 10:26 a.m. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

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Shannon Hines, Chief Clerk

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Larry F. Reisinger, Secretary

# Drug & Alcohol Commission Contracts

Provider	Service	22/23	23/24	Rate increase	Percent Increase
FHCCP	Housing	\$492,468.00	\$599,206.50	\$106,738.50	22%
Nuestra Clinica Residencial	3.5 High Adult Activity 823B Male	\$216.00	\$216.00	\$0.00	0%
Pennsylvania Counseling Services					
	Case Management - Assessment, GRPA, Coordination	\$84	\$90	\$6	7.14%
	1 Outpatient Activity 861A Individual	\$84	\$90	\$6	7.14%
	1 Outpatient Activity 861A Group	\$32	\$32	\$0	0.00%
	2.1 Intensive Outpatient Activity 861B Individual	\$84	\$90	\$6	7.14%
	2.1 Intensive Outpatient Activity 861B Group	\$28	\$28	\$0	0.00%
	Case Management - Assessment, GRPA, Coordination - Adoles	\$88	\$94	\$6	6.82%
	.5 Early Intervention Individual Adolescent	\$88	\$94	\$6	6.82%
	.5 Early Intervention Group Adolescent	\$32	\$32	\$0	0.00%
	1 Outpatient Activity 861 A Adolescent Individual	\$88	\$94	\$6	6.82%
White Deer Run	3.7 WM Activity 823A (Allenwood)	\$345.00	\$360.00	\$15.00	4%
White Deer Run	3.5 High Adult Activity 823B (Allenwood)	\$299.00	\$310.00	\$11.00	4%
White Deer Run	3.5 High Enhanced Activity 823B (Allenwood)	\$303.00	\$323.00	\$20.00	7%
White Deer Run	3.7 WM Activity 823A (Cove Forge)	\$324.00	\$344.00	\$20.00	6%
White Deer Run	3.5 High Adult Activity 823B (Cove Forge)	\$270.00	\$284.00	\$14.00	5%
White Deer Run	3.5 High Enhanced Activity 823B (Cove Forge)	\$322.00	\$338.00	\$16.00	5%
White Deer Run	2.5 Partial Activity 852A (Adult) (Cove Forge)	\$139.00	\$139.00	\$0.00	0%
White Deer Run	3.7 WM Activity 823A (Lancaster)	\$327.00	\$355.00	\$28.00	9%
White Deer Run	3.5 High Adult Activity 823B (Lancaster)	\$276.00	\$323.00	\$47.00	17%
White Deer Run	3.5 High Enhanced Activity 823B (Lancaster)	\$324.00	\$335.00	\$11.00	3%
White Deer Run	3.7 WM Activity 823A (Lehigh)	\$339.00	\$364.00	\$25.00	7%
White Deer Run	3.5 High Adult Activity 823B (Lehigh)	\$257.00	\$280.00	\$23.00	9%
White Deer Run	3.5 High Enhanced Activity 823B (Lehigh)	\$290.00	\$313.00	\$23.00	8%
White Deer Run	3.7 WM Activity 823A (New Perspectives)	\$276.00	\$344.00	\$68.00	25%
White Deer Run	3.5 High Adult Activity 823B (New Perspectives)	\$233.00	\$262.00	\$29.00	12%
White Deer Run	3.5 High Enhanced Activity 823B (New Perspectives)	\$255.00	\$283.00	\$28.00	11%
White Deer Run	3.7 WM Activity 823A (York-Davies) Female	\$354.00	\$425.00	\$71.00	20%
White Deer Run	3.5 High Adult Activity 823B (York-Davies) Female	\$298.00	\$343.00	\$45.00	15%
White Deer Run	3.5 High Enhanced Activity 823B (York-Davies) Female	\$381.00	\$418.00	\$37.00	10%
White Deer Run	3.7 WM Activity 823A (York-Zion) Male	\$309.00	\$315.00	\$6.00	2%
White Deer Run	3.5 High Adult Activity 823B (York-Zion) Male	\$240.00	\$244.00	\$4.00	2%
White Deer Run	3.5 High Enhanced Activity 823B (York-Zion) Male	\$269.00	\$275.00	\$6.00	2%
White Deer Run	2.5 Partial Activity 852A (Adult) (York)	\$122.00	\$122.00	\$0.00	0%
Penn State Health - Holy Spirit Hospital	Maternal Assistance Program	\$220,000	\$220,000	\$0	0%
Substance Abuse Service Inc. (RASE Project)	Medication assisted Recovery Services	\$141,500	\$141,500	\$0	0%
Capital Area Intermediate Unit	Student Assistance Program	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$0	0%

23/24 In- Home Contracts---PERRY CO. CHILDREN & YOUTH

**Diakon**- SPIN- (rate increase of \$4.98)- \$104.58

**Perry Hope**- (No increase)- \$91.80

**Weekend Alternative Program**- (rate increase of \$9.20)- \$193.20

**Center Point**- (rate increase of \$8.72)- \$183.02

**Center Point Plus**- (rate increase of \$10.44)- \$219.28

**Bridge Program**- (rate increase of \$1.45)- \$49.93

**Newport Counseling Center** – (No rate increase)- \$70.00/hr for Individual Outpatient Therapy

- (No rate increase)- \$105.00/1.5 hr. for CANS

- Mileage Reimbursement- CANS- 65.5 cents/mile

**Tandem, LLC**- Family Preservation/Reunification-(No Increase) \$208.66/mo-\$20,167.00/mo