

COMMISSIONERS GENERAL SESSION

March 2, 2026

Present at the meeting were

Commissioners:

R. Franklin Campbell – Chair
Brenda L. Watson – Vice Chair
William G. Lyons – Secretary
Shannon Hines - Chief Clerk
William R. Bunt - Solicitor

Present from the Press: None

Present from the Public: Miriam Fox, Rachel Gabner, Sarah Geesaman, James McHale, Darla McNaughton, Sam Miller, Michelle Orris, Rich Pluta, Debra Rayson, Larry Reisinger, Scott Stump, Alyson Thebes, Allyson Valentine, Randy Waggoner, Brian Weidow, Josh Wilson

Commissioner Campbell opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. on March 2, 2026 with the Pledge to the Flag and a moment of silence. The meeting was recorded by the County.

Updates/Announcements: Commissioner Watson commented that the Commissioners had visited the schools during the past week for FFA Week. She said it was amazing to see how many students participate in FFA and the professionalism the students exhibited. She stated that she wished her own children had been a part of the FFA program and recognized the students and advisors.

Commissioner Lyons said that due to the weather event last week the schools were not able to attend the Commissioners' meeting last week, so it gave them the opportunity to visit Newport, Greenwood, and West Perry. He said it was great to see the student's excitement and noted that the majority of students in the FFA program do not come from a farm.

Commissioner Campbell said the County FFA chapters are second to none. He said they were able to tour the multiple rooms utilized at Greenwood.

Commissioner Watson noted that over two thirds of the students at Greenwood are in FFA. She said the program opens doors for students and teach lifelong skills.

Public Comments: None

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2026 meeting. Commissioner Lyons seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Business: Commissioner Campbell recognized the following employees for their service to Perry County:

Rachel Gabner – 5 years
Allyson Valentine – 10 years
Sheryl Harbold – 35 years

Commissioner Campbell presented a proclamation Miriam Fox and James McHale recognizing March as Red Cross Month. He recognized the work that the Red Cross does and said Perry County is partnered with them for blood drives. He noted that the next blood drive is scheduled for March 11th. James McHale provided the following Red Cross update for Perry County:

- 3 disaster event responses since July, which supported 8 individuals

- 16 volunteers with Perry County
- 9 disaster health and mental health situations
- 243 units of blood collected at 13 drives
- 5 smoke alarm installations through the home fire campaign

Mr. McHale said they are always looking for more participants in the smoke alarm campaign and the organization is looking for volunteers. He said if there are any questions to please reach out to Laura Burke as she is in charge of the Central PA Red Cross. Commissioner Campbell requested information on the smoke alarm program.

Commissioner Lyons made a motion to approve the Assignment of Contract for the Liverpool Area Recreation Association LSA grant. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the service agreement with Susquehanna Accounting & Consulting Solutions Inc. Commissioner Lyons seconded the motion. Commissioner Campbell noted that this was for assistance with the transition to a new financial system. All agreed. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve Amendment 1 to the Subrecipient Agreement for the Liverpool Borough Wastewater Treatment Plant rehabilitation project. Commissioner Lyons seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried unanimously.

Employee Status: Commissioner Lyons made a motion to approve the appointment of Cassandra Trego to the position of Caseworker 2 in the Children & Youth Services Department effective March 16, 2026 at an hourly rate of \$24.92. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the appointment of Philip Duffy to the position of Detective in the District Attorney's Office effective March 9, 2026 at an hourly rate of \$21.36. Commissioner Lyons seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor's Report: None

Post Comments: Randy Waggoner, Chief Assessor, recognized Rachel Gabner for five years in his office and said she does a great job.

Comments from Press: None

Commissioner Watson made a motion to adjourn at 10:12 a.m. Commissioner Lyons seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried unanimously.

Shannon Hines, Chief Clerk

William G. Lyons, Secretary