

CAMBRIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Minutes

September 22, 2022

Ebensburg, PA
September 8, 2022

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Ebensburg, PA
September 9, 2022

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Ebensburg, PA
September 12, 2022

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Ebensburg, PA
September 13, 2022

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Ebensburg, PA
September 14, 2022

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Ebensburg, PA
September 15, 2022

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Ebensburg, PA
September 16, 2022

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Ebensburg, PA
September 19, 2022

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Ebensburg, PA
September 20, 2022

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Ebensburg, PA
September 21, 2022

Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, B.J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt present.

Commissioners in Session. Commissioners Thomas C. Chernisky, William J. Smith, and Scott W. Hunt were present.

The Commissioners' Meeting was called to Order by President Commissioner Chernisky, in the Jury Room of the Cambria County Courthouse, at 10:02 a.m.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to waive the reading of the Minutes of the meeting held September 8, 2022, but to approve them and place them on file.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Public Comment:

Etta Albright spoke regarding the FIX Harrisburg Campaign.

John DeBartola asked that the Commissioners address the level of income that County employees earn along with reviewing the healthcare policy for retirees.

COMMISSIONERS

Notice of Executive Sessions:

1. September 19, 2022, meeting with Agency Department Heads.
2. September 20, 2022, meeting with Human Resources and Solicitor.

Ordinances:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve an Ordinance designating a specific geographic area located in the Borough of Franklin as a proposed Keystone Opportunity Expansion Zone, (KOEZ).

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to approve an Ordinance requiring, pursuant to Act 57 of 2022, that tax collectors and the Cambria County Tax Claim Bureau, beginning January 1, 2023, waive all additional charges for real estate taxes, if the taxpayer complies with the requirements of said Ordinance.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.

Agreements:

Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to approve the Agreement with Kronos SaaS, Inc., for payroll-related software and support.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement with Green Diamond Services, LLC.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Contracts (Provided Funding is Available):

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve one (1) Service Contract Amendment for Cambria County Human Services Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Description of Services</u>	<u>Rate</u>
The Nutrition Group	Provider shall offer primary and emergency meals to eligible adult clients, as outlined in the Human Services Developmental Fund Instructions and Requirements.	From: \$40,000.00 To: \$41,000.00

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve two (2) Service Contract Amendments for Cambria County Drug & Alcohol Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Description of Services</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Flood City Boxing Academy, Inc., d/b/a Flood City Youth Fitness Academy	Amended to extend the end date of the contract. All applicable programmatic deadlines and service delivery obligations are extended through 6/30/23.	\$259,490.01
Reaching Educational Achievements with Clinical Mental Health, Inc.	Amended to establish coverage dates for the period 8/18/22 through 6/30/24. Amendment shall provide for 100% of funding to be provided through Cambria County Opioid Settlement funds.	\$1,233,654.37

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve six (6) Service Contracts for Cambria County Children & Youth Service Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Description of Services</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Beginnings, Inc.	Court-Appointed Special Advocate Program (CASA) – Actual expenses billed on a monthly basis.	\$138.00 per child
	Ages & Stages Evaluation – Maximum of 12 units of service within a 10-mile radius. Greater than 10 miles, maximum of 20 units of service.	\$7.50 per 15-minute unit
Western PA Cares for Kids	Child Forensics Interviews and Report	\$350.00 per forensic interview
	Court Testimony	\$50.00 per hour – includes round trip travel time from main office in Brookville, PA
Cambria County Child Advocacy Center, Inc.	Child Forensic Interviews	\$400.00 per interview that is not covered by any other funding source
	Court Testimony	\$225.00 per day

National Mentor Healthcare, LLC, d/b/a Pennsylvania MENTOR

<u>Cert #</u>	<u>Unit ID</u>	<u>Service Provided</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Title IV-E Unallowable</u>	<u>Title IV-E Allowable</u>	<u>Allow Maintenance</u>	<u>Allow Admin</u>
217650 347830 217630 140990	FC	Foster Family Care	\$97.98/day			\$43.00	
217650 347830 217630 140990	ER	Emergency Respite	\$113.93/day			\$50.00	
217650 347830 217630 140990	RC	Respite Care	\$91.14/day			\$40.00	
217650 347830 217630 140990	SD	Treatment Foster Care – Transition/Step	\$110.51/day			\$48.50	
217650 347830 217630 140990	PR	Pre-Placement Respite	\$91.14/day			\$40.00	
217650 347830 217630 140990	RB	Community Residential Rehab Room and Board	\$14.69/day			\$14.69	

Alternative Living Solutions

<u>Cert #</u>	<u>Unit ID</u>	<u>Service Provided</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Title IV-E Unallowable</u>	<u>Title IV-E Allowable</u>	<u>Allow Maintenance</u>	<u>Allow Admin</u>
441000 444600 444610 442110 444620 444640 443960	TL	Transitional Living Services	\$243.48/day				
446300	IL	ALS Supervised Independent Living	\$243.48/day				

Summit School, Inc., d/b/a The Summit Academy

<u>Cert #</u>	<u>Unit ID</u>	<u>Service Provided</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Title IV-E Unallowable</u>	<u>Title IV-E Allowable</u>	<u>Allow Maintenance</u>	<u>Allow Admin</u>
448080 448090 448100 448070	SR	Summit Academy General Residential Program	\$247.40/day				
448070	SP	Summit Academy Shelter Care	\$340.91/day				
448120 448070	SS	Summit Academy Specialized Settings	\$376.16/day				

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve one (1) Service Contract for Cambria County Drug & Alcohol Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Description of Services</u>	<u>Rate</u>
DLP Conemaugh Memorial Medical Center, LLC	Maternal Addiction Resource Center - Case/care management and recovery support services for pregnant women and women with children.	\$352,913.18

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve one (1) Service Contract for Cambria County BH/ID & EI Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Description of Services</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Center for Community Resources	The provider will link, coordinate, and monitor the services per needs of the consumer.	\$5,000.00

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Contracts – Corrected Rates:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the following corrected rates for two (2) Service Contracts for Cambria County Children & Youth Service Fiscal Year 2022-2023. (Previous rates were approved at the Commissioners’ Meeting held September 8, 2022).

Pathways Adolescent Center, Inc.

<u>Cert No.</u>	<u>Unit ID</u>	<u>Service Provided</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Title IV-E Unallowable</u>	<u>Title IV-E Allowable</u>	<u>Allowable Maintenance</u>	<u>Allowable Admin</u>
402630	PA	Pathways Adolescent Center	\$211.34 per day				
406990	PA	Pathways Adolescent Center	\$211.34 per day				
416290	NB	New Beginnings	\$236.28 per day				
435970	TL	Transitional Living #2	\$226.23 per day				
437370	TL	Transitional Living #3	\$226.23 per day				
449370	NT	NB Transitional Living	\$226.23 per day				
		Diagnostic Program for Delinquent and Dependent Youth	\$3,000.00 per youth				

Community Specialists Corporation d/b/a The Academy

Cert No.	Unit ID	Service Provided	Rate	Title IV-E Unallowable	Title IV-E Allowable	Allowable Maintenance	Allowable Admin
401650	SH	New Outlook Academy General Residential	\$293.24 per day				
401650	NM	New Outlook Academy Inpatient Drug & Alcohol	\$353.28 per day				
401650	SP	New Outlook Academy Shelter Care	\$360.59 per day				
401650	SS	New Outlook Academy Specialized Settings	\$374.50 per day				

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Change Order:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve the change order of Kev’s Excavating, LLC, with regard to the West Branch Susquehanna River Streambank Stabilization Project, to allow for an additional 47.93 tons of R-6 stone, in the amount of \$1,824.66.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Bid:

Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to approve the bid of Right Elevator Company, of Johnstown, Pennsylvania, to provide elevator services to County buildings at a monthly rate of \$1,475.00. This will be a 3-year contract, beginning October 1, 2022, and ending September 30, 2025.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.

Tax Appeals:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to authorize and direct the Tax Claim Bureau Director to strike, from the records in her office, taxes plus penalty, interest, and fees assessed against:

<u>CONTROL NO.</u>	<u>MAP NO.</u>	<u>ASSESSED NAME</u>	<u>MUNICIPALITY</u>	<u>EXONERATE</u>
87-10381	87-026.-213.000	Sitton, Dwayne K., Jr., & Alissa J. Alissa J.	Johnstown 17 th Ward	1981 through 1995 taxes. Purchased by County in 1995. Taxes not exonerated at that time.
77-1770	77-006.-315.000	Mayall, Melissa D. & Brianna R.	Johnstown 7 th Ward	2021 taxes. Should not have been billed. In Repository.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Appointments:

Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to approve the appointment of Thomas McAneny to the Cambria County Industrial Development Authority Board, to fill an unexpired term, beginning September 22, 2022, and ending December 31, 2024.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to approve the appointment of Michael Tatarko to the Cambria County General Financing Authority Board, to fill an unexpired term, beginning September 22, 2022, and ending December 31, 2022.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.

Reappointments:

Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to approve reappointing Ronald J. Young and James C. Peacock to the Cambria County Industrial Development Authority Board, for 5-year terms, beginning January 1, 2023, and ending December 31, 2027.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hunt to approve reappointing Warren Myers to the Cambria County General Financing Authority Board, for a 5-year term, beginning January 1, 2023, and ending December 31, 2027.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

New Hires:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to hire Thomas Keller, Full-Time Caseworker I for Children & Youth Service, (Paygrade 41-E/\$28,914.30 annually), effective September 26, 2022. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment health screening).

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to hire Brynn Waylonis, Full-Time Telecommunicator for the Department of Emergency Services, (Paygrade 35-F/\$17.78 per hour), effective October 17, 2022. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment health screening).

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to approve hiring the following individuals as Full-Time Correctional Officer I's for the Prison, (Paygrade 26-A/\$20.95 per hour), effective September 19, 2022. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment health screening).

Matthew Lang
Trina Stephen
Christopher Whiting
Brandon Rhodes
Joshua Staff

Ashley Marconi
Dana Shultz
Todd Shaffer
Jamie Proudfit

Molly Stine
Terry Horner
Anthony Markovich
Brian Datres

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to hire Catherine Cicero, Per-Diem Executive Assistant for the Courts, (Paygrade 47-F/\$15.00 per hour), effective September 26, 2022, through March 31, 2023. (Employment is contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment health screening).

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Transfer:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to transfer Sabrina Uebel, Full-Time Caseworker III for Children & Youth Service, (Paygrade 45-A/\$48,238.84 annually), to Full-Time Care Manager II for the Area Agency on Aging, (Paygrade 43-D/\$45,826.90 annually), effective October 3, 2022.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Remove from Payroll:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Lynn Popovich, Full-Time Casework Supervisor for Children & Youth Service, (Paygrade 57-F/\$67,737.54 annually), effective October 1, 2022.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Michael Kakabar, Jr., Full-Time Correctional Officer I for the Prison, (Paygrade 26-A/\$20.95 per hour), effective September 13, 2022.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Tierra Shipley, Full-Time Correctional Officer I for the Prison, (Paygrade 26-A/\$20.95 per hour), effective September 14, 2022.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Consuela Creany, Full-Time Juvenile Probation Officer for Juvenile Court, (Paygrade 47-C/\$60,077.68 annually), effective October 1, 2022.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Amber Maurer, Full-Time Conference Officer for Domestic Relations, (Paygrade 47-A/\$38,317.50 annually), effective September 24, 2022.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to remove Christine Trotz-Cosgrove, Part-Time Hearing Officer for Domestic Relations, (Paygrade 48-C/\$41,446.86 annually), effective October 1, 2022.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Commissioner Chernisky stated that the next Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Thursday, October 13, 2022, in the Jury Room of the Cambria County Courthouse, at 10:00 a.m.

Adjournment:

Motion was made by Commissioner Smith to adjourn the meeting.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunt and passed unanimously.

Michael Gelles, IV, Chief Clerk