

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
NOVEMBER 4, 2021**



THE ARMSTRONG COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2021, AT 9:00 AM IN THE COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE ROOM WITH THE FOLLOWING IN ATTENDANCE:

Commissioner Donald K. Myers, Commissioner Jason Renshaw, Commissioner Pat Fabian, Aaron Poole – Chief Administrator, Karen Kintz – Assistant Chief Administrator, Kathy Rashlich – Director Veterans Affairs, Carly Hileman – Fiscal Officer Children Youth and Family Services, Mike Mollick – Director Public Safety, Chad Gradwell – 911 Coordinator, Gary Montebell – Director Belmont Complex, Carmen Johnson – Assistant Director Planning and Development, James Webb – Interim Director Elections, Jeffery Jessell – Elections, Chris Ziegler – Executive Director Armstrong Trails, Armstrong Honor Guard - Bradley Smail, Darlene Smail, Elmer Lightner, and Sonny Bleakney, Ami Dimaio – County Resident, Abby Karg – Leader Times, Josh Walzak – Leader Vindicator

Commissioner Myers announced that Abby Karg, Leader Times was recording the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

MEETING REPORT

Commissioners' Meeting Minutes

On a motion by Mr. Renshaw, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the minutes for the October 21, 2021, Commissioners' Meeting were approved.

FINANCE REPORT

On a motion by Mr. Fabian, seconded by Mr. Renshaw, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Ms. Kintz, acknowledged the purchase orders for the week of October 26, 2021, in the amount of \$6,229.59.

On a motion by Mr. Renshaw, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Ms. Kintz, acknowledged the purchase orders for the week of November 2, 2021, in the amount of \$4,993.15.

Financial Transactions for October 2021

On a motion by Mr. Fabian, seconded by Mr. Renshaw, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, acknowledged the financial transactions for October 2021.

PERSONNEL REPORT

Personnel Transactions for November 4, 2021

On a motion by Mr. Renshaw, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Mr. Poole, approved the Personnel Transactions for November 4, 2021. Mr. Fabian acknowledged Sandy Romanowski's upcoming retirement and 40 plus years of service with the county.

PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamation #2021-12 – Veteran's Day, November 11, 2021

Mr. Myers read the proclamation.

On a motion by Mr. Fabian, seconded by Mr. Renshaw, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners adopted Proclamation #2021-12 Veteran's Day – November 11, 2021.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution #2021-38 Marcellus Legacy Allocation – Outdoor Discovery Center at Crooked Creek

On a motion by Mr. Renshaw, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Mr. Poole, adopted Resolution #2021-38 Marcellus Legacy Allocations – Outdoor Discovery Center at Crooked Creek.

Resolution #2021-39 Authorized Official – Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant Request – Armstrong Trails.

On a motion by Mr. Fabian, seconded by Mr. Renshaw, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Ms. Ziegler, adopted Resolution #2021-39 Authorized Official – Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant Request – Armstrong Trails.

AGREEMENTS / CONTRACTS

Motorola Solutions Inc.

On a motion by Mr. Renshaw, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Mr. Gradwell, approved the agreement between Armstrong County and Motorola Solutions Inc.

Zelenkofske Axelrod LLC

On a motion by Mr. Fabian, seconded by Mr. Renshaw, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Mr. Poole, approved the Agreement between the County of Armstrong and Zelenkofske Axelrod LLC.

Robert A Cinpinski, Esquire

On a motion by Mr. Renshaw, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the Agreement between the County of Armstrong and Robert A. Cinpinski, Esquire, was tabled.

MVS Security Services

On a motion by Mr. Fabian, seconded by Mr. Renshaw, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Mr. Montebell, approved the Agreement between the County of Armstrong and MVS Security Services.

IE Power LLC

On a motion by Mr. Renshaw, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Mr. Montebell, approved Change Order #2 between the County of Armstrong and IE Power LLC.

FY 2021-2022 Professional Service Agreements

On a motion by Mr. Fabian, seconded by Mr. Renshaw, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Ms. Hileman, approved the FY 2021-2022 Professional Service Agreements between the County of Armstrong and:

- Indiana Regional Medical Center – Indiana, PA
- Mechling & Heller – Kittanning, PA

FY 2021-2022 Placement Provider Purchase of Service Agreements

On a motion by Mr. Renshaw, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Ms. Hileman, approved the Placement Provider Purchase of Service Agreements between the County of Armstrong and:

- Alternative Living Solutions – Latrobe, PA
- Community Specialists Corp. – Pittsburgh, PA
- Cove Prep – Torrance, PA
- Summit School, Inc. – Pittsburgh, PA
- Taylor Diversion Programs – Tionesta, PA
- The Salvation Army – West Nyack, NY
- Valley Community Services – Mt. Pleasant, PA
- Ward Home – McKeesport, PA

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Elections Recap – Mr. Webb stated that the Election went smoothly. One issue reported was with ballots not feeding into the scanner at one precinct. Mr. Jessell felt the issue was due to ballot printing bleed through. The scanner was switched out and there were no further issues. Mr. Jessell noted the ballots in question were counted and that all voted ballots are counted and compared with the poll books. Mr. Webb will discuss this matter with the printer. Mr. Webb reported that mail-In ballots have been counted, and the results from write-ins and provisional ballots will be available next week. Mr. Fabian asked if scanners connect to the internet. Mr. Jessell responded; they do not. Mr. Webb added that election ballots are retained for two years.
2. Press Release – Mr. Fabian read a press release on behalf of the Board of Commissioners addressing the issue arising from the hockey game at Belmont Complex between Armstrong High School and Mars Area High School. Armstrong High School students grades 7 through 12 will be banned from attending future hockey games at Belmont Complex. Siblings of players may attend only if accompanied by an adult who they must sit with. Going forward, any spectator who removed from the Complex for disruption of any nature, will not be permitted to return and will be banned from future events at Belmont Complex. Protocols have been reviewed and new policies will be developed. Mr. Fabian made it clear that behavior such as what occurred during the Armstrong – Mars hockey match, will not be tolerated.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Fabian, seconded by Mr. Renshaw, and carried unanimously; the Commissioners adjourned the Board of Commissioners' Meeting at 9:39 a.m. The next Board of Commissioners' Meeting will be held Friday, November 19, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

ATTEST:

ARMSTRONG COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Aaron S. Poole, Chief Administrator

Pat Fabian, Secretary