

A meeting of the Fayette County Board of Commissioners was held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, April 20, 2023, at the first-floor meeting room of 2 East Main Street, First Floor, Uniontown PA.

In attendance-

Commissioner Chairman Dave Lohr
Commissioner Scott Dunn
Commissioner Vincent A. Vicites
Chief Clerk Amy Revak
Chief County Solicitor Jack Purcell

Commissioner Lohr welcomed everyone to the meeting at 10:03 a.m. He asked everyone to stand for a prayer, led by Pastor Brian Higbee of the Connellsville City Church which was followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Proclamations

Commissioner Dunn read the proclamation for Safe Digging Month – April 2023. A representative for PA One Call spoke and thanked the commissioners for the proclamation.

Commissioner Vicites read the proclamation for National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week – April 9 - 15, 2023. The commissioners were thanked for the proclamation.

Commissioner Lohr read the proclamations for Recognition of PEMA County Staff Achieving State Certifications

- Ryan Huhn – Basic Certification
- Richard Black –Professional Certification & Advanced Professional Series Certification

Commissioner Dunn read the proclamation for National Library Week – April 23 – 29, 2023. Several librarians attended and thanked the commissioners for the proclamation and spoke about what libraries do for the communities.

Commissioner Lohr read the proclamation for National Small Business Week – April 30 to May 6, 2023.

Commissioner Vicites read the proclamation for Mental Health Awareness Month – May 2023. Various people attended to thank the commissioners and accept the proclamation.

Commissioner Dunn read the proclamation for National Foster Care and Foster Parent Appreciation Month- May 2023. He urged everyone to do what they can to help children in need.

Public Comment on Agenda Items- None

Controller

Andrea Kacmar presented the following financial condition of the county.

Office of the Controller

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DATE April 19, 2023

GENERAL FUND

Cash Balance	General Ledger	\$	5,012,027.20
TRAN Tax Anticipation Note		\$	9,000,000.00
2023 Revenue:	Budget	\$	55,609,520.00
	YTD	\$	7,733,287.14
	% Received		13.91%
2023 Expenditures:	Budget	\$	55,622,720.00
	YTD	\$	12,168,682.43
	% Used		21.88%
2022 Expenditures Paid in 2023		\$	1,680,960.12

DUE TO GENERAL FUND

Payroll Payments Due to General Fund - LF	\$	-
Payroll Payments Due to General Fund - CYS	\$	2,912,236.22
Loan Payable Due to General Fund - CYS	\$	2,176,500.00
CYS Current Cash Balance = \$ 65,532.81		
TOTAL	\$	5,088,736.22

ACT 13 MARCELLUS SHALE FUND/FUND 13

Cash Balance - Unconventional Wells Account	\$	22,566.35
Cash Balance - Legacy Account	\$	535,794.71
Cash Balance - Bridge Department Account	\$	767,617.03

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND/FUND 51

Cash Balance	\$	88,764.75
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Assessment Office

Chief Clerk Revak read the agenda items into the record.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve the following Veteran for real estate tax exemption as they have been approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Military Affairs having been qualified as 100% disabled veterans.

Brenda Pennington 117 N. Seventh St.	05-08-0138 Connellsville City	Renewal effective April 2023 Connellsville, PA 15425
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Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

Behavioral Health Administration

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve the following contract modifications.

	<u>Contract Value</u>	<u>Period</u>
<u>HealthChoices Professional Service Agreement 2023</u>		
East End United Community Center	\$44,072	01/01/23-12/31/23
Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc.	\$86,664	01/01/23-12/31/23
Fayette County Mental Health Association	\$54,268	01/01/23-12/31/23

HealthChoices Amended and Restated Agreement– Amendment #1

Beacon Health Options of Pennsylvania, Inc. (2023)	\$91,000.00	01/01/23-12/31/23
Beacon Health Options of Pennsylvania, Inc. (2024)	\$94,640.00	01/01/24-12/31/24
Beacon Health Options of Pennsylvania, Inc. (2025)	\$98,425.60	01/01/25-12/31/25

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

Children and Youth Services

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve a **FY2023-24 Purchase of HIPAA Business Associate Agreement.**

Addendum supplements and is made part of the agreement between the County of Fayette, through Fayette County Children & Youth Services and **Avanco International, Inc.**, 12685 Wiltonshire Drive, Clifton, VA 20124, for child accounting and profile system application service provider agreement relating to privacy and security services. There is no change to the cost of this service.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve a **FY2023-24 Addendum for Purchase of Service Agreement** between the County of Fayette, through Fayette County Children & Youth Services, and **Avanco International, Inc.**, 12685 Wiltonshire Drive, Clifton, VA 20124, for a business agreement for Consulting and Ad Hoc IT Services and Support. The rates are as follows:

Research Analyst	\$ 54.50/hour
Junior Programmer	\$ 65.40/hour
Junior Programmer Analyst	\$ 73.00/hour
Programmer Analyst	\$ 76.20/hour
Senior Programmer Analyst	\$ 78.70/hour
Developer	\$ 92.50/hour
Senior Developer	\$ 111.20/hour
Project Director	\$ 125.00/hour

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve a **FY2023-24 Purchase of Service Agreement** between the County of Fayette, through Fayette County Children & Youth Services, and **Avanco International, Inc.**, 12685 Wiltonshire Drive, Clifton, VA 20124, for CWIS 2.0 Upgrades, including reports, research findings, project design specifications, anticipated training requirements, infrastructure status and estimated target dates, schedules, critical checkpoints, and deliverables. The total cost is \$350,000.00 and is shared by all CAPS counties and has been proportionally allocated based on the number of users in each county compared to the total number of CAPS users. The cost of the CWIS 2.0 Upgrades for Fayette County is a fixed price of \$6,351.15.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve a **FY2023-24** Purchase of Service Agreement between the County of Fayette, through Fayette County Children & Youth Services, and **Avanco International, Inc.**, 12685 Wiltonshire Drive, Clifton, VA 20124, for child accounting and profile system application service agreement relating to support services. The cost for this service is \$10,512.00 per quarter.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve the reappointment of Jill Yantko White to a 3-year term on the Fayette County Children & Youth Services Advisory Committee. The new term will expire on April 30, 2026. The Advisory Committee voted unanimously at the March monthly meeting to recommend her reappointment.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

Human Resources

CYS

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve the resignation of Demi Burnsworth, Casework Supervisor, effective March 24, 2023.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to ratify the promotion of Jennifer Guesman to Casework Supervisor, Non-U, \$29.83/hour (\$58,168.50 annually) effective March 20, 2023.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to ratify the promotion of Jennifer Hamilton to Caseworker III, SEIU CYS, \$28.85/hour (\$56,258.60 annually) effective March 20, 2023.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to ratify the promotion of Ashley Lee to Caseworker III, SEIU CYS, \$28.85/hour (\$56,258.60 annually) effective March 20, 2023.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve the resignation of Roth Quednau, Caseworker I, effective April 11, 2023.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

Election Bureau

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to ratify the promotion of Nicole Glaze to Election Technology Manager, Non-U Supervisor, PG 8, Step SR, \$18.09/hour (\$35,275.50 annually) effective March 27, 2023.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

FACT

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to ratify the promotion of Kristine White to Accounting Specialist, Non-U Supervisor, PG 11, Step D, \$24.98/hour (\$48,711.00 annually) effective February 27, 2023.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve the separation of employment of Ryan Burnworth, Mechanic Tech C, effective March 27, 2023.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to ratify the transfer of Erica Cole to Accountant II, SEIU, PG 16, Step B, \$21.53/hour (\$41,983.50 annually) effective April 17, 2023.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

FCBHA

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to ratify the hiring of Erin Mudery, Caseworker 2, Non-U, PG 35, Step AA, \$18.70/hour (\$36,465.00 annually) effective April 3, 2023.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to ratify the promotion of Christine Rosinski-Stone to MH Program Specialist, Non-U, PG 41, Step RR, \$36.32/hour (\$70,824.00 annually) effective April 3, 2023.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to ratify the promotion of Sandra Walters to Fiscal Officer 3, Non-U, PG 43, Step NN, \$34.26/hour (\$66,807.00 annually) effective April 17, 2023.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve the hiring of Melissa Swaney, Clerk Typist 2, SEIU, PG 28, Step SR, \$13.74/hour (\$26,793.00 annually) effective April 24, 2023.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve the voluntary demotion of Aaron Trinica to Caseworker 2, Non-U, PG 35, Step KK, \$24.90/hour (\$48,555.00/annually) effective April 24, 2023.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

PARKS

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve the hiring of Cory Coffman, Parks & Trails Groundskeeper, Non-U, Non-Supervisor, PG 12, Step SR, \$16.34/hour (\$31,863.00 annually) effective April 24, 2023.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

Adult Probation Office

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve the submission of the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency, PCCD, Grant Application ID: 40618; Titled: Fayette Co. IP & Treatment Programs 2023-2024. Fayette County is eligible for a maximum award of \$180,000.00, of which, \$108,000.00 is for non-treatment services. If awarded, the grant will run from July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024. No matching funds are required.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

Planning, Zoning and Community Development

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to ratify a PA-DCNR grant proposal for Phase-2 trail construction at Fayette County's Dunlap Creek Park, in the amount of \$400,000, with a cash match of \$200,000.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr no
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed 2-1

After the vote, Commissioner Vicites said this shows the commitment to the master plan for the parks. He spoke about the plans for the paving at the site. Commissioner Dunn said originally the bridge department was going to do the project, and it wasn't going to be paved. Commissioner Lohr said he voted no because of the change of cash that is required. He said he wasn't against the project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve a supplement for two locally owned structures carrying Moyer Road over Mounts Creek. Specifically, PennDOT-12 is adding Right of Way Phase to the 2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) in FFY 2025 to cover total claimant damages, as well as to reimburse solicitor fees for condemnation acquisition efforts. State A-185 funds will be drawn from the District 12 Highway/Bridge line item (MPMS#76508).

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve a letter of agreement between Fayette County and Gibson Thomas Engineering in the amount of \$97,200.00 (870 hours). This agreement will allow Gibson Thomas Engineering to perform the following tasks concerning the Sheepskin Trail southern extension: Project management, meetings, and agency coordination; final design and drainage; permitting and environmental documents; bid documents, advertisement, and bidder questions; and other direct costs.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

Before the vote, Commissioner Dunn said this is the section of the trail extending north out of Point Marion. Commissioner Vicites said they still have money from the prior grant. The commissioners said that is a beautiful area.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve Authorization of Art Cappella in the Engineering Construction Management System (ECMS) concerning Fayette County Bridge projects.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve Authorization of Art Cappella in the Engineering Construction Management System (ECMS) concerning Fayette County Sheepskin Trail project.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve Amendment #4 Agreement #R17120006 increasing the total project costs from \$1,230,000.00 to \$3,719,910.00 for two locally owned structures carrying Moyer Road over Mounts Creek in Bullskin Township, Fayette County. The funding breakdown is as follows: Federal \$3,638,910.00, State \$81,000.00 and the county's responsibility is \$27,000.00.

Commissioner Dunn yes

Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

Solid Waste/Recycling

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to purchase a shredder for the recycling center in the amount of \$27,621.00 from Allegheny Shredder, a COSTARS vendor. Purchase of this equipment will allow the recycling program to hold shred events for county residents, and 90 percent of the cost will be reimbursed by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) 992 grant previously awarded to Fayette County.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

Tax Claim

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve the following Repository bids opened on April 4, 2023, subject to all conditions being met. The total accepted bid amount is \$1,753.00.

Accepted Bidder	Parcel #	Twp./City/Borough	Amount
David Reed Jr.	02-10-0074	Brownsville	\$490.00
Jacob Burkholder	25-58-0200	North Union	\$650.00
James Shashura	19-08-0171	Luzerne	\$613.00
			Total \$1,753.00

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

Commissioners

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve the March 14, 2023, agenda meeting minutes.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve the March 16, 2023, commissioners meeting minutes.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to ratify the approval by Fayette County of the National Opioid Settlement with Tera, Allergan, CVS, Walgreens, and Walmart, and authorization of the County Officers to execute any necessary documents related to such approval.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Dunn said this is the second of two lawsuits that have been settled regarding opioids. He said the county will receive funding with the same restrictions. Solicitor Purcell said this is the retailer part of the settlement. He acknowledged cooperation from other municipalities. He talked about the amount and time length of the payments.

Commissioner Vicites said Fayette was one of the first counties in western Pennsylvania to take a stand and file a lawsuit. Solicitor Purcell said the first lawsuit was \$9 million and this one will be less but will be several million dollars. Commissioner Vicites said they need a plan to administer the money. Commissioner Lohr said there are rules on how to use the money. He said they have to pay attention to that.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve the preparation and execution of an Agreement of Understanding with the National Road Heritage Corridor, thereby assigning authority and responsibility of management, operation, maintenance, etc. of the Searights Tollhouse to the National Road Heritage Corridor.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously

Public Announcements - None

Public Comments- None

Adjournment

A motion was made by Commissioner Dunn and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to adjourn the meeting.

Commissioner Dunn yes
Commissioner Lohr yes
Commissioner Vicites yes

Motion passed unanimously