**BUSINESS SESSION**

**BLAIR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM**

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, 2022, 10:00 A.M.**

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION**
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**
4. **ROLL CALL**
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
6. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

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1. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

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1. **OLD BUSINESS:**

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1. **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Social Services:**

Requesting approval of the ratification for the submission of a request to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) to extend the FY 2017 HOME Program Contract #C000072894 from September 12, 2022 to July 13, 2023, to provide additional time to complete the remaining project underway.

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1. **ADJOURN:**

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**Call to Order:**

Commissioner Erb called the meeting to order:

**Moment of Silent Reflection:**

Commissioner Erb called for a moment of silent reflection.

**Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag:**

Commissioner Erb requested that those participating in the meeting please stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Roll Call:**

**Members Present:**

Commissioner Erb, Commissioner Burke, Commissioner Webster, and Chief Clerk Hemminger.

**Members Absent:**

Solicitor Karn and Assistant Solicitor Muriceak.

**Others Present:**

Paul Shaffer (Public Works), Rebecca Robinson (Purchasing), Cris Fredrickson (EMA/911E), Steffen Housum (JPO), Don Weakland and Dave McCahan (IT), Lindsay Dempsie and Brandon Meck (Finance), AC Stickel (Controller), Kay Stephens (Altoona Mirror), Trina Illig (Social Services), and Allison Senkevich and Melissa Harpster (Commissioner’s Office).

**Public Comment:**

Commissioner Erb called for public comment. **There were no comments noted.**

**Consent Agenda:**

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Cris Fredrickson stated that this item was not ready to move forward and requested that the item moved to next week’s Work Session Meeting.

**New Business:**

**Social Services:**

Trina Illig requested approval of the ratification for the submission of a request to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) to extend the FY 2017 HOME Program Contract #C000072894 from September 12, 2022 to July 13, 2023, to provide additional time to complete the remaining project underway.

Mrs. Illig stated ratification is necessary for the request submitted to DCED to extend the end date of the FY 2017 HOME Program Contract from September 12, 2022 to July 13, 2023 in order to provide additional time to complete the remaining activity and to close out the contract. She stated that DCED required that the extension request be submitted by close of business on August 15, 2022.

Mrs. Illig stated that labor and material delays caused by COVID-19 have affected the county’s ability to complete the remaining activities within the original contract timeframe. She stated that contractors have reported an 8 to 16 week delay in receipt of items needed for project completion. It is believed that the county will need an additional ten-10 months in order to complete the remaining activity and to close out the contract.

Discussion followed.

**Resolution 316-2022**: A resolution approving the ratification for the submission of a request to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) to extend the FY 2017 HOME Program Contract #C000072894 from September 12, 2022 to July 13, 2023, to provide additional time to complete the remaining project underway.

Motion by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt resolution 316-2022.

**Elections/Voter Registration:**

Chief Clerk Hemminger requested approval for the acceptance of Election Integrity Grant Program (EIGP) funding in the amount of $398,913.63, to be used for expenditures as outlined in Act 88 related to the November 2022 election and 2023 primary election.

Chief Clerk Hemminger stated that the county was notified shortly after application submission that the county was awarded an allocation of funding in the amount of $398,913.63, to be used for expenditures related to the November 2022 election and the 2023 primary election. She stated that the Election Board will determine how the funds will be used.

Discussion followed.

**Resolution 317-2022**: A resolution approving the acceptance of Election Integrity Grant Program (EIGP) funding in the amount of $398,913.63, to be used for expenditures as outlined in Act 88 related to the November 2022 election and 2023 primary election.

Motion by Commissioner Webster, seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 317-2022.

**Blair County IT:**

Don Weakland requested approval of a Comcast Business Service Order Agreement between the County of Blair and Comcast Business, for high-speed internet access and phone line service to Magisterial District Judge Fred Miller’s office, 5628 E. Pleasant Valley Boulevard, Tyrone, PA, in the monthly amount of $99.99 for months 1-12, then $114.99 for months 13-24, and $144.99 for months 25-36. (Thirty-six (36) month period agreement).

Mr. Weakland stated that Breezeline had originally established service to MDJ Miller’s Office, however shortly after they determined that they could not provide to service to the area and disconnected service. He stated that unfortunately, Comcast is the only company able to provide the needed services for that office.

Mr. Weakland stated Comcast will provide improved internet access, an analog phone line, static IP address and 100x25 mbps of internet service for the period of thirty-six (36) months, in the monthly amount of $99.99 for months 1-12, $114.99 for months 13-24, and $144.99 for months 25-36. These rates are unfortunately higher than what the county has been paying to the current internet provider.

Discussion followed.

**Resolution 318-2022:** A resolution approving a Comcast Business Service Order Agreement between the County of Blair and Comcast Business, for high-speed internet access and phone line service to Magisterial District Judge Fred Miller’s office, 5628 E. Pleasant Valley Boulevard, Tyrone, PA, in the monthly amount of $99.99 for months 1-12, then $114.99 for months 13-24, and $144.99 for months 25-36. (Thirty-six (36) month period agreement).

Motion by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner Webster and unanimously approved to adopt Resolution 318-2022.

**Adjourn:**

Meeting Adjourned,

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Nicole M. Hemminger, Chief Clerk