

**PRESENT:** Brian P. Zidek, Chair; Dr. Monica Taylor, Vice Chair; Kevin M. Madden, Council Member; Elaine Paul Schaefer, Council Member; Christine A. Reuther, Council Member; Joanne Phillips, Controller; Howard Lazarus, Executive Director; William F. Martin, Solicitor; Anne M. Coogan, County Clerk.

The Regular Meeting of Delaware County Council was held on February 3, 2021 at 6:00 pm on Zoom and was livestreamed. Chairman Zidek called the meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Zidek stated Council has been in executive session today to discuss litigation and also personnel issues.

Public Comment: Joan Mitchell, 436 Springfield Avenue, Folsom, PA made a comment regarding directives with regard to the COVID 19 vaccine.

Peggy Wilson, 824 Drexel Avenue, Drexel Hill asked a question regarding Vaccination.

Motion made by Dr. Taylor to approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 20, 2021 seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

Rosemarie Halt and Dr. O'Mahoney gave a Covid/Vaccination Update. Discussion followed.

Solicitor Martin read the Second Reading of Ordinance 2021-1 amending Section 6-20G (1) of the Administrative Code regarding residency of County Employees. Mr. Martin stated it would be appropriate for a Public Hearing and take public comment regarding Ordinance 2021-1.

Public Hearing Comment: Michael Straw, 499 W. Jefferson St Apt 507, Media, PA made a comment stating he did not want to change the residency requirement.

Nicholas R. Finelli Jr., 811 Naylor's Run Rd., Havertown, PA left a comment stating to please vote no on reducing residency requirements to 2 years.

Steve Haley, 422 St. Davids Avenue, Radnor, PA left a comment stating hire within Delaware County; do not change any rules.

Elizabeth T. Stefanide, Esquire, 339 W. Baltimore Avenue, Media, PA made a comment opposing changes to the residency requirement.

Helene Conroy-Smith, 32 Westwood Park Drive, Havertown, PA: made a comment regarding the residency requirement.

Jason O'Neill, 914 South Ave D-3, Secane PA made a comment regarding the residency requirement.

Peter F. Kane, 8003 Arlington Ave, Upper Darby, PA made a comment regarding the residency requirement.

Lorraine Williams, 620 South Eagle Road, Havertown, PA made a comment regarding the residency requirement.

Motion made by Dr. Taylor approving Ordinance 2021-1 was seconded by Mr. Madden. Discussion followed. A roll-call vote was taken by County Clerk Coogan with the following votes registered: Reuther – Yay, Schaefer – Nay, Madden – Yay, Taylor – Yay and Zidek – Yay. The motion was passed by a vote of 4-1. Ordinance 2021-1, amending Section 6-20G (1) of the Administrative Code regarding residency of County Employees, was approved.

Motion made by Dr. Taylor approving of Resolution 2021-1 authorizing the establishment of the Delaware County Department of Health as a single-county department of health pursuant to the Pennsylvania Local Health Administration Law, seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Dr. Taylor approving to accept Grant from the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency for the term October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2023 in the amount of \$668,958.00 to support Senior Victims Services. Subject to Solicitor's approval. This motion was seconded by Mr. Madden and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Dr. Taylor approving of Addendum A to the Professional Services Agreement dated November 13, 2021 with Mission Partners Group, LLC (d/b/a Bloom Planning) for the term November 9, 2020 to June 30, 2021 increasing the total contract amount by \$4,295.00 for a total not to exceed \$120,047.00 (Funding: PA DCED Safe Schools Grant). Subject to Solicitor's approval. This motion was seconded by Ms. Schaefer and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Dr. Taylor approving of Agreements, Contracts and Amendments with the Human Services Providers of Services as per the attached list. Subject to the Solicitor's approval. This motion was seconded by Mr. Madden and carried unanimously.

Sandy Garrison, Director of Human Services, along with Jonathan Lichtenstein, Assistant Solicitor gave an update on the Federal Emergency Rental Assistance Program.

Motion made by Dr. Taylor approving to Purchase four (4) Chrysler Pacifica Hybrid Minivans from Video Chrysler/Dodge in Newtown Square off COSTARS Contract #013-021 for a price not to exceed \$144,588.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval. This motion was seconded by Mr. Madden and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Dr. Taylor approving of Amendment to Contract #E-62320 between the County of Delaware and Road-Con, in an amount of \$10,419.75 to conduct preventative maintenance for Bridge #16 Media Station Road due to changes in the scope of work. Subject to Solicitor's approval. This motion was seconded by Mr. Madden and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Dr. Taylor approving Lease Agreement for 19,103 sq. ft. in Building 7 northwest wing at Fair Acres Nursing Geriatric Center with Crozer Keystone Hospital for hospice care use for an initial term of one hundred twenty days (120) at a monthly rent of \$52,533.25. Subject to Solicitor's approval. This motion was seconded by Ms. Reuther and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Dr. Taylor approving of a Grant Agreement between the County of Delaware Department of Intercommunity Health and the Department of Environmental Protection for the Mosquito-Borne Disease Control Program, effective January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, in the amount of \$156,508.51. Subject to the Solicitor's approval. This motion was seconded by Mr. Madden and carried unanimously.

Motion made Ms. Reuther to amend the agenda to add an approval of a Contract with RBM Consulting, off of Costars vendor #362724, in an amount of \$63,900.00 to send out approximately 104,000 permanent mail in ballot requests as directed under Act 77-2019. Subject to the Solicitor's approval. This motion was seconded by Mr. Madden and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. Madden approving of a Contract with RBM Consulting, Costars Vendor #362724 in an amount of \$63,900.00 to send out to approximately 104,000 permanent mail in ballot requests as directed under Act 77. Subject to the Solicitor's approval. This motion was seconded by Ms. Reuther and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Dr. Taylor approving of Central Tax Collection Department's request for refunds for the year 2020 County Real Estate Taxes for eleven (11) property owners due to overpayment of the amount of taxes due, seconded by Mr. and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Dr. Taylor approving of Adoption of Resolution designating persons authorized to sign checks: the five (5) members of County Council; Joanne Phillips, County Controller; and James Hackett, Interim Treasurer, seconded by Ms. Reuther and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Dr. Taylor approving the Request by the Controller's Office for payment of current bills seconded by Mr. Madden and carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Joe D'Ignazio, 810 Westdale Avenue, Swarthmore, PA asked a question in regard the new radio system network project.

John DiMeo, 115 Sylvan Drive, Broomall, PA made a comment regarding recommendations by the Chester County Health Department relating to schools opening.

Kristina Convery, 316 Netherington Drive, Broomall, PA made a comment regarding schools reopening.

Michael Gowdy, 207 Arden Road, Broomall, PA made a comment regarding schools reopening.

Christine Peterson, 685 Barclay Lane, Broomall, PA made a comment regarding schools reopening.

Theodore Bochanski, 2888 Pennview Avenue, Broomall, PA made a comment regarding schools reopening.

John Bohan, 235 Valley Ridge Road, Haverford, PA asked a question regarding the new real estate assessment.

Jennifer DiMeo, 115 Sylvan Drive, Broomall, PA made a comment regarding schools reopening.

Kathy Hinkle, 5 Wells Fleet Way, Media PA made a comment regarding schools reopening.

Brianna Soti, 144 Beechwood Road, Newtown Square made a comment regarding schools reopening.

Cynthia Long, 9 Cloverdale Avenue, Upper Darby, PA made a comment opposing any changes to the county residency requirement.

Francis Winterle, 20 E. Langhorne Avenue, Havertown, PA made a comment opposing any change to the county residency requirement.

Michael Martin, 9 Cloverdale Avenue, Upper Darby made a comment opposing any changes to the county residency requirement.

**COUNCIL:** Ms. Schaefer stated applications are still be accepted for the Delaware County Green Space Task Force. Ms. Schaefer also stated there is a summit for trails this Saturday from 9-12.

Chairman Zidek announced that February is Black History Month and we encourage people to recognize and celebrate that. Mr. Zidek also stated we are working to get as much vaccine as possible and we are asking everyone to continue to social distance and wear masks to be safe.

There being no further County business, nor public discussion, motion made by Mr. Madden to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Reuther and carried unanimously.

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ANNE M. COOGAN, County Clerk