

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING**  
**February 6, 2025**



THE ARMSTRONG COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2025, AT 9:00 A.M. IN THE COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE ROOM WITH THE FOLLOWING IN ATTENDANCE:

Commissioner John W. Strate, Commissioner Anthony G. Shea, Commissioner Pat Fabian, Aaron Poole – Chief Administrator, Karen Notto – Assistant Chief Administrator, Tammy Calderone – Administrator A-I BDHP, Lisa Shaffer – Executive Director Area Agency on Aging, Kathy Heilman – Deputy Executive Director Planning and Development, Darin Alviano – Executive Director Planning and Economic Development, James Webb – Elections Director/Chief Registrar, Tammie Gaff – Controller, Lisa Boltz, Val Huston, Barb Heilman, Debra Artmen – Tax Collectors, Sam Calderone – Resident, Regina Liermann – Resident, Dennis Phillips – Leader Times, Josh Walzak – Leader Vindicator

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Lisa Boltz submitted a request to participate form. Ms. Boltz read a statement on behalf of Armstrong County Tax Collectors, in support of an increase in compensation for the Tax Collectors.

**MEETING REPORT**

Commissioners' Meeting Minutes

On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the minutes for the January 16, 2025 Commissioners' Meeting were approved.

**FINANCE REPORT**

On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Ms. Notto, acknowledged the purchase orders for the week of January 21, 2025, in the amount of \$53,558.57.

On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Ms. Notto, acknowledged the purchase orders for the week of January 28, 2025, in the amount of \$32,019.87.

On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Ms. Notto, acknowledged the purchase orders for the week of February 4, 2025, in the amount of \$227,327.16.

Financial Transactions for January 2025

On a motion by Mr. Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, acknowledged the financial transactions for January 2025.

## **PERSONNEL REPORT**

### **Personnel Transactions for February 6, 2025**

On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Mr. Poole, approved the Personnel Transactions for February 6, 2025.

## **PROCLAMATIONS**

### **Proclamation 2025-02 Centennial Celebration of Manor Township Volunteer Fire Company**

Mr. Shea read the Proclamation.

On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, adopted Proclamation #2025-02 Centennial Celebration of Manor Township Volunteer Fire Company.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

### **Resolution 2025-03 Revision of FFY 2021 State CDBG Funds**

On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners based on the recommendation of Ms. Heilman, adopted Resolution #2025-03 Revision of FFY 2021 State CDBG Funds.

### **Resolution 2025-04 – Revision of FFY 2022 State CDBG Funds**

On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners based on the recommendation of Ms. Heilman, adopted Resolution #2025-03 Revision of FFY 2021 State CDBG Funds.

## **ORDINANCES**

### **Ordinance #2025-01 Advertise Adjusting the Compensation of Collectors of County Taxes**

On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and after discussion, with comments by the County Solicitor, Tim Miller, the Board of Commissioners, advertise Ordinance 2025-01 to Adjust the Compensation of Collectors of County Taxes. Motion passed 2 to 1. Mr. Fabian opposed.

## **AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS**

### **ServiceMaster of Greater Pittsburgh**

On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Strate, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Mr. Poole, approved the agreement between the County of Armstrong and ServiceMaster of Greater Pittsburgh.

### **BABB Absence and Safety Integrated Services**

On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Mr. Poole on behalf of Ms. Campbell, approved the Agreement between the County of Armstrong and BABB Absence and Safety Integrated Services.

### SOAR Pediatric Developmental Therapy, LLC

On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Ms. Calderone, approved the Agreement between the County of Armstrong and SOAR Pediatric Developmental Therapy, LLC.

### Parks Township Volunteer Fire Department

On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Ms. Shaffer, approved the Agreement between the County of Armstrong and Parks Township Volunteer Fire Department.

### Law Offices of Preston T. Younkings, Esquire

On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Ms. Shaffer, approved the Agreement between the County of Armstrong and Law Offices of Preston T. Younkings, Esquire.

### Commonwealth of Pennsylvania/DCED

On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Mr. Alviano, approved the Agreement between the County of Armstrong and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania/DCED.

## **APPOINTMENTS**

### Armstrong-Indiana Behavioral & Developmental Health Program Advisory Board

On a motion by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners, based on the recommendation of Ms. Calderone, approved the reappointment of Ms. Diana Brocius, 431 Dever Hollow Road Templeton, PA 16259, to the Armstrong-Indiana Behavioral & Developmental Health Program Advisory Board for a three-year term, to commence on January 1, 2025, and expire on December 31, 2027.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Mr. Webb announced that the petition period for candidates begins on February 18, 2025. Candidate Petitions can be picked up at the Elections Office beginning on that date as well. The last day to submit Candidate Petitions is March 11, 2025.
- Mr. Shea stated that the special meeting relating to Tax Collector Compensation will be held on Friday, February 14, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Conference Room.
- Mr. Fabian will no longer support the four settlement options presented to the SEIU group which includes CYF Caseworkers who held a one-day strike. He continued saying their wages should be increased; they should not be the lowest paid employees. Mr. Shea stands by the four options previously presented to the SEIU group.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Additional comments were made regarding the increase of compensation to the Armstrong County Tax Collectors present at the meeting. Responses were made by the Commissioners and the County Solicitor Tim Miller. Comments were also made on the topic by Regina Liermann, a county resident present for the meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Fabian, and carried unanimously; the Commissioners adjourned the Board of Commissioners' Meeting at 9:40 a.m. The next regular Board of Commissioners' Meeting will be held Thursday, February 20, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST:

ARMSTRONG COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Aaron S. Poole, Chief Administrator

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Pat Fabian, Secretary