

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2020

The Board of County Commissioners met today for a Commissioners' Meeting.

The Commissioners' Meeting was conducted remotely during the COVID-19 pandemic State of Emergency declaration. The public was invited to view and participate in a live, moderated broadcast.

Participating in today's meeting were:

Joshua G. Parsons, Chairman
Ray D'Agostino, Vice-Chairman
Craig E. Lehman
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Lawrence M. George
CHIEF CLERK

Christina Hausner, Esquire
COUNTY SOLICITOR

Other participants were:

Matt Shenk, Communications Supervisor
LANCASTER COUNTY-WIDE COMMUNICATIONS

Carter Walker, Reporter
LANCASTER NEWSPAPERS

Commissioner Parsons called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Parsons announced the postponement of approval of the January 15, 2020 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes, March 11, 2020 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes, March 25, 2020 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes and April 1, 2020 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes.

Commissioner Parsons announced the Board met in Executive Session on Monday, April 6, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. to discuss Personnel Matters and Litigation Negotiation Matters.

Commissioner Parsons made the following re-announcements:

- The Commissioners' Work Sessions scheduled for Tuesday, April 14, 2020 and Tuesday, April 21, 2020 have been cancelled.
- There is no Work Session scheduled for Tuesday, April 28, 2020, and there is no Commissioners' Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, April 29, 2020.

Commissioner D'Agostino welcomed everyone to the first new virtual meeting and thanked all staff throughout County government who are doing a phenomenal job of keeping essential services going, particularly those in the 24/7, 365 facilities. He said this is a somber time for us and across the nation as we continue to see this pandemic play out, noting we can and need to do more here in Lancaster County to flatten the curve and save lives; which is to follow the CDC and the Department of Health recommendations of safe social distancing, disinfection, washing your hands and wearing masks when out.

Commissioner Lehman also thanked the 24-hour facilities and all County staff, particularly IT, Emergency Management and Purchasing who are keeping Lancaster County government operating, noting the way everyone has pivoted to remote operations is extraordinary. He said we have all seen the numbers and they continue to rise, so right now is the time to practice social distancing and staying at home; noting we can flatten the curve to make sure Lancaster County gets through this as unscathed as possible.

Commissioner Parsons added his thanks to all county personnel who continue to work either onsite or remotely, especially the 24-hour departments, including Crisis Intervention. He noted it is a tough time for every person in Lancaster County right now because of concerns for their health and livelihood, but we will get through this together. Commissioner Parsons said they have been talking to medical professionals in the community and are also asking the State for more data so please continue to monitor social media and our website for more information and about trends they potentially see here.

RESOLUTION NO. 27 OF 2020

DESIGNATION OF AGENT FOR EM-3441 - COVID-19

On motion of Commissioner D'Agostino, seconded by Commissioner Lehman;

BE IT RESOLVED BY the Board of Commissioners of the County of Lancaster, Pennsylvania that Pat Mulligan, Director of Budget Services, is hereby authorized to execute for and on behalf of the County of Lancaster, a public entity established under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, all required forms and documents for the purpose of obtaining financial assistance under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Public Law 93-288 as amended by Public Law 100-707).

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Motion passed unanimously.

On motion of Commissioner Lehman, seconded by Commissioner D'Agostino, it was agreed for the County of Lancaster, acting on behalf of Lancaster County-Wide Communications (LCWC), to approve the following:

**First Amendment to Co-Location
License Agreement With:**

T-Mobile Northeast LLC (Licensee)
Bellevue, Washington

Purpose:

To renew the license agreement to operate communication facilities on and adjacent to the Christiana communications tower owned by the County and located in West Sadsbury Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania.

The County shall increase the premises to accommodate Licensee's needs which include the installation of a 4' x 8' concrete pad for a generator and up to six future additional antennas. Licensee agrees to provide the County with a Structural Analysis at Licensee's expense prior to any additional installation on the monopole.

Term:

Upon the expiration of the current license term which expires April 6, 2020, the license shall automatically renew for four additional and successive periods of five years each (each an additional renewal term) upon the same terms and conditions in effect during the term of the license.

Amount:

The rent shall increase from \$2,100.00 per month to \$2,500.00 per month, for a total of \$30,000.00 per year for the first additional renewal term. At the beginning of each five-year additional renewal term, the rent shall increase by three percent (3%) above the rent amount of the immediately preceding term or additional renewal term.

Note:

With the exception of the specific amendments, all other terms and conditions set forth in the license shall remain in full force and effect.

Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner D'Agostino thought it appropriate to discuss the idea of bringing on a specialized advisor for potentially the remainder of this pandemic to help us get through the emergency we have now and also throughout the summer and the fall, when we may be looking at a potential resurgence. He reiterated they are not looking to create a public health department, just bring in someone with that background to be an independent advisor to the County and assist with administration and logistics.

Commissioner Lehman said he supports Commissioner D'Agostino's call for interim public health capacity to deal with the current phase of this crisis, but he also believes that we need permanent public health capacity within County Government to help be better prepared for any future public health emergency.

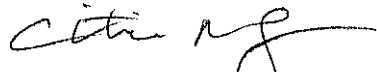
Commissioner Parsons agreed we have to do what is necessary to make sure we get through the current crisis and are coordinating appropriately with Emergency Management and all our health care providers in the county. He asked Commissioner D'Agostino to circulate a job description and said they will talk about it at the next public meeting.

Commissioner Parsons restated the executive session announcement for Mr. Walker and closed by saying he truly appreciates what everyone in Lancaster County is doing to make sure we all stay safe.

On motion of Commissioner D'Agostino, seconded by Commissioner Lehman, the meeting was adjourned at 9:39 a.m.

Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Christine M. Carrigan, Executive Assistant
Commissioners' Office