

December 19, 2023

**Office of the County of Elk Commissioners
Meeting Minutes**

Elk County, Ridgway, PA

The County of Elk Commissioners met on Tuesday, December 19, 2023 at 10:00 AM, County of Elk Courthouse Annex Thomas G. Wagner Conference Room. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Those present were Commissioners Joseph C. Daghir, M. Fritz Lecker and Matthew G. Quesenberry. Also present were Thomas G. Wagner, Solicitor; Patrick Straub, Chief Clerk; Kary Schneider, Deputy Chief Clerk; Emily Anders, Office Administrator; Dan Rimer, IT; Scott Atwell, Warden; Astasia May-Straneva, Corrections Counselor; Jen Quagliani, Chief Probation/Parole Office; Gerald Copella, Director Veteran's Affairs; Elizabeth Erich and Jen Catalone, Elk County Humane Society; Nancy Zameroski, Assessment Office; Al Maletto, Johnsonburg Borough Council; and Georgia Wagner, Guest; and Marilyn Secco and Jake Mercer, Press.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by M. Fritz Lecker to approve the agenda, seconded by Matthew G. Quesenberry and carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Matthew G. Quesenberry to approve the December 5, 2023 minutes as presented, seconded by M. Fritz Lecker and carried unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

Jen Catalano and Elizabeth Erich representing the Elk County Humane Society spoke about the costs associated with running the Humane Society such as food, housing and veterinarian care. They also spoke about the many volunteers who help to successfully run the shelter.

RESOLUTIONS

1. 2023-30 – Thomas G. Wagner – The Commissioners honored Thomas G. Wagner for his many years of dedication and hard work for the County of Elk. They thanked him and expressed their deep appreciation for his wise council. **A motion was made by Joseph C. Daghir, seconded by Matthew G. Quesenberry and carried unanimously.**

OLD BUSINESS – N/A

NEW BUSINESS

1. Official County of Elk 2024 Calendar Year. - **A motion made by M. Fritz Lecker, seconded by Joseph C. Daghir carried unanimously**
2. Pearson VUE Test Center contract to offer GED testing at the prison. - **A motion made by Joseph C. Daghir seconded by M. Fritz Lecker carried unanimously**
3. The Probation Department is requesting a new contract with COBRA Systems (EZ Supervision) for case management software. **A motion made by Joseph C. Daghir seconded by Matthew G. Quesenberry carried unanimously**
4. Renewal contract on behalf of CYS with Penta Run Youth Services to provide Independent Living services to eligible youth in Elk County.- **A motion made by Joseph C. Daghir, seconded by Matthew G. Quesenberry carried unanimously**
5. Requested by Elk County Industrial Development Authority Board, Reappointment of Charles W. Constable from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2028 **A motion made by Matthew G. Quesenberry, seconded by M. Fritz Lecker carried unanimously**
6. Delete from the bank account signatories effective 1/1/2024 Joseph Daghir and Connie Herzing **A motion made by M. Fritz Lecker, seconded by Joseph C. Daghir carried unanimously**

CORRESPONDENCE – (The following correspondence, if any, is available in the Commissioner's office for further review.)

GOOD OF THE COUNTY

- We welcome and encourage the public to attend our meetings.
- Please continue to pray for our military personnel, our families and our children, their teachers, all elected officials and peace in the world.
- Special meeting for review of proposed budget on Thursday, December 28, 2023 at 10:00 am in the Thomas G. Wagner Conference Room in the Annex Building
- Gerald Copella, Veteran's Affairs Director talked about changes in the Veterans Affairs office. This was tabled for a later discussion.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS – N/A

QUESTIONS FROM TAXPAYERS

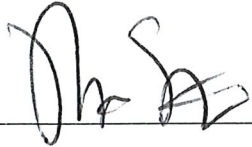
- Al Malletto, Johnsonburg Borough Council, thanked Thomas G. Wagner and Joseph C. Daghir for their service to our county

ADJOURN MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45AM on a motion by M. Fritz Lecker seconded by Joseph C. Dagher and carried unanimously

**Next Meeting:
Tuesday, January 2, 2024
10:00 A.M. Thomas G. Wagner Conference Room, Courthouse Annex**

Attest: _____

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "J. S. Dagher", written over a horizontal line.