



BLAIR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA

Thursday, September 17, 2026, 10:00 A.M.
COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM, BASEMENT

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Kessling called the meeting to order.

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

Commissioner Kessling called for a moment of silent prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Commissioner Kessling asked that everyone in attendance stand and recite the pledge of allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Commissioner Kessling, Commissioner Burke, and Chief Clerk Alicia Tiracave.

OTHERS PRESENT

Madison Murtiff and Lori Guyer (Commissioners), Lindsay Dumpsie (Finance), Paul Shaffer (Highway), Cris Fredrickson (EMA), Eric Malloy (CYF), Becky Robinson (Purchasing), Matt Hale (Prison), Angela Wagner and AC Stickel (Controller), Tricia Johnson (Social Services), Kay Stephens (Altoona Mirror), and Nate Taylor(Public Access Channel).

EXECUTIVE SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution 161- 2026:

- a. Ratification of the following ten (10) Warrant Lists:

EFFECTIVE DATE	WARRANT NUMBER	AMOUNT
09/08/2026	260908FS	\$2,254.46
09/08/2026	260831PC	\$30,746.94
09/08/2026	260904ML	\$251.27
09/10/2026	260910HR	\$11,371.65
09/10/2026	260910RF	\$205.17
09/10/2026	260910GG	\$19,950.00
08/04/2026	260804WC	\$1,207.22
09/02/2026	260902WC	\$2,883.84
09/15/2026	260915SS	\$19,768.84
09/15/2026	260915WW	\$602,430.88

Which includes payments to the following:

- Holidaysburg Borough in the amount of \$56.01

- b. 2026 Budget Transfer: To cover inmate lodging at the Centre County Prison:

From	\$	To
01101GCO-41999 General County Operations	\$40,500.00	01209PO-45080 Prison

- c. 2026 Budget Transfer: To cover Special Election expenses:

From	\$	To
01106615-42110 Special Election	\$2,025.56	011062-42110 Elections
01106615-42150 Special Election	\$210.00	011062-42150 Elections
01106615-43000 Special Election	\$1,009.57	011062-43000 Elections
01106615-43010 Special Election	\$1,209.05	011062-43010 Elections
01106615-43050 Special Election	\$500.00	011062-43050 Elections
01106615-44070 Special Election	\$500.00	011062-44070 Elections
01106615-45140 Special Election	\$2,077.77	011062-45140 Elections

d. 2026 Budget Transfer: To cover insurance deductibles from PCoRP.

From	\$	To
01101GCO-44960 General County Operations	\$10,000.00	01209PO-44960 Prison
01101GCO-44960 General County Operations	\$2,000.00	113201-44960 CYF
01101GCO-44960 General County Operations	\$500.00	01158-44960 District Attorney

e. 2026 Budget Transfer: To cover VOCA grant expenses:

From	\$	To
01101GCO-41999 General County Operations	\$151.06	01164710-42040 Victim Witness
01101GCO-41999 General County Operations	\$1,136.55	01164710-44070 Victim Witness

f. Bridge #33/Old Mill Run Bridge Replacement Project:

Requesting approval of ECMS submissions Estimate #3, in the total amount of \$69,868.72, and Estimate #4, in the total amount of \$108,008.20, received from CH&D Enterprises. Expenses are 95% reimbursable and will be paid from the Marcellus Shale Legacy Fund.

g. Status Notice:

Type	Effective Date	Last Name	First Name	Dept	Position	Status	Rate
Employment	09/14/26	Groce	Caleb D	Prison	Corrections Officer	Nonexempt, FT	\$23.50
Employment	09/14/26	Kass	Stephen F	Prison	Corrections Officer	Nonexempt FT	\$23.50
Employment	09/14/26	Undemann	Jamie Lynn	Prison	Correctional Case Manager	Nonexempt FT	\$15.16
Employment	09/14/26	McGregor	Matthew J	Public Defender	Assistant Public Defender	Exempt, PT	\$166.38 biweek
Employment	09/14/26	Schwartz	Andrew P	Prison	Corrections Officer	Nonexempt, FT	\$23.50
Separation	09/08/26	Luegsten	Jeffrey H	APD	Parole and Probation Officer	Nonexempt, FT	\$21.48
Separation	09/11/26	Ferber	Jeffrey M	EMA	Emergency Management & Hazmat Planner	Nonexempt, PT	\$28.22

Commissioner Burke noted her abstention to Hollidaysburg Borough due to a conflict of interest and requested this item be moved to a future meeting due to a lack of quorum.

Motioned by Commissioner Kessling, seconded by Commissioner Burke and approved.

STAFF REPORTS & SPECIAL BUSINESS:

a. Social Services:

i. Tricia Johnson requested approval to authorize Commissioner David Kessling, as the Chief Elected Official, to sign the Tier 2 Environmental Review Record (ERR) for Blair County housing Rehabilitation Existing Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program for the unit listed below:

Program	Project Number	Unit Location
WHRP(Non-HUD)	2026PR03978.001	2816 6 th Avenue, Altoona

Motioned by Commissioner Kessling, seconded by Commissioner Burke and approved.

ii. Tricia Johnson requested approval for the submission of a Request for Release of Fund and Certification Form to the Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development (DCEd) requesting the release of multi-year Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for the Bedford Street Flood Drainage Improvement Project, on behalf of the Borough of Hollidaysburg, in the amount of \$295,901.00.

Motioned by Commissioner Kessling, seconded by Commissioner Burke and approved.

iii. Tricia Johnson requested approval of the Adoption of the FY 2026 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Grievance Procedure and authorization to re-designate the Blair County Chief Clerk as the Section 504 Officer.

Motioned by Commissioner Kessling, seconded by Commissioner Burke and approved.

b. Public Safety/ 911:

Cris Fredrickson requested approval of the SFY 2026/2027 Hazardous Material Response Fund (HMRF) Grant Agreement #C950005803 between the County of Blair, on behalf of the Department of Emergency Services, and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania acting through the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency ("PEMA") for daily operations of the hazardous materials program for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, in the amount of \$13,778.00.

Motioned by Commissioner Kessling, seconded by Commissioner Burke and approved.

c. Public Works/Highway:

- i. Paul Shaffer requested approval for the submission of a Building/Zoning Permit Application to the Borough of Hollidaysburg for the demolition of three houses located at 214 Wayne Street, 402 Mulberry Street, and 406 Mulberry Street Hollidaysburg, PA.

Motioned by Commissioner Kessling, seconded by Commissioner Burke and approved.
- ii. Paul Shaffer requested approval for the submission of a HARB Application for Exterior Work to the Borough of Hollidaysburg for the demolition of three houses located at 214 Wayne Street, 402 Mulberry Street, and 406 Mulberry Street Hollidaysburg, PA.

Motioned by Commissioner Kessling, seconded by Commissioner Burke and approved.
- d. Children, Youth and Families:
Eric Malloy requested approval of an Agreement for Purchases Under Bidding Threshold between the County of Blair, Blair County Children, Youth and Families, and Greenbean Coffee House for products and services as set forth in Exhibit A on an as-needed basis, for Staff Training Day on September 24, 2026, in the amount of \$1,066.33.

Motioned by Commissioner Kessling, seconded by Commissioner Burke and approved.
- e. Commissioners:
Alicia Tiracave requested approval to apply for the 2026/2027 PCoRP Loss Prevention Grant Program for the projects listed below in the amount of \$10,825.97.

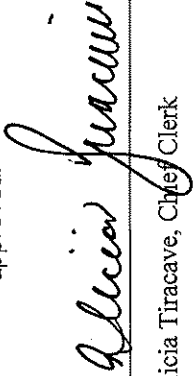
- Radios for Prison \$9,750.00
- Secured Delivery Boxes \$425.98
- Projector \$649.99

Motioned by Commissioner Kessling, seconded by Commissioner Burke and approved.

OLD BUSINESS - None

ADJOURN

Motioned by Commissioner Kessling, seconded by Commissioner Burke and approved.



Alicia Tiracave, Chief Clerk

