



# MINUTES

## Cumberland County Finance Meeting

November 17, 2021 at 1:30 p.m.  
Commissioners' Hearing Room  
Courthouse, Carlisle, PA

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**Present:** Commissioners Gary Eichelberger, Jean Foschi, and Vincent T. DiFilippo.

**Staff Present:** Stacy Snyder, Chief Clerk; Tamie Hershey, Deputy Chief Clerk; Theresa Kissinger, Executive Assistant; Megan Fogelsanger, IMTO; Stephanie Williams, Kirk Stoner, Planning; Samantha Krepps, Communications.

**Staff Present via Zoom:** Ron Snow, Dana Best, Finance; Bob Shively, Public Safety.

**Others present:** Jamie Keener, Cumberland Area Economic Development Corporation; Toby Fauver, Rockland Consulting

**Call to Order:** Commissioner Eichelberger called the meeting to order.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Approval of Minutes:** Commissioner DiFilippo made a motion to approve the November 10, 2021 meeting minutes. Commissioner Foschi seconded the motion and it unanimously carried.

### **Topics of Discussion:**

#### **Discussion of and Possible Motion to Approve the 2021 Land Partnership Grant**

**Recommendations:** Stephanie Williams gave an update on the grant applications that have been received for consideration along with the availability of funds for the 2021 grant offers. She reported the Land Partnership Grant review committee met on November 8<sup>th</sup> to review and rank all the grant requests. She reviewed the criteria that is used to rank the grant applicants and gave a brief overview of the applicant's description for their project.

Commissioner Foschi made a motion to approve the 2021 Land Partnership Grant recommendations as presented. Commissioner DiFilippo seconded the motion and it unanimously carried.

#### **Discussion of and Possible Motion to Approve Drafting a Letter of Interest to the Dairymen's**

**Association:** Jamie Keener reviewed the project summary for the Pennsylvania Dairymen's Association. He explained a site location is needed to create a Pennsylvania Ag Discovery Center for visitors wanting to be educated on agriculture and dairy farming. Jamie suggested a prospective site on county land with 80 acres which is visible and accessible from I-81 and has access to sewer and water. More discussion ensued. Jamie reported that CAEDC was asked to draft a letter to the dairymen's association with location suggestions and would like permission to put the county land into the letter as a site for consideration. More discussion ensued as to the agenda item and what was being asked of the Commissioners.

Commissioner DiFilippo made a motion to approve the drafting of a letter of interest by CAEDC regarding the PA Dairymen's Association, and regarding potential sites for such a discovery center that

the land identified today, off Army Heritage Drive, be included as a possible site for consideration. Commissioner Foschi seconded the motion and it unanimously carried.

**Discussion of the Cumberland County American Rescue Plan Funds Draft Plan:** Toby Fauver reviewed the memo he presented today to the Commissioners. He spoke about the meetings that were held with county department heads for their input related to the ERP funds along with unsolicited requests outside the County government. Toby explained the draft plan proposal was developed with three goals and their objectives, and the funding method that is established by the federal government. He spoke about the next steps being proposed to move the ARP forward. The discussion ensued.

**Other Business:** Commissioner DiFilippo made a motion to add an agenda item regarding the property tax ordinance, to be adopted immediately after the 2022 budget is approved. Commissioner Foschi amended the motion to advertise the 2022 tax ordinance. Commissioner DiFilippo withdrew his motion. Commissioner Foschi made a motion to amend today's finance meeting agenda to authorize the Solicitor to advertise the 2022 Tax Ordinance for adoption at the November 29th meeting. Commissioner DiFilippo seconded the motion and it unanimously carried.

Commissioner Foschi made a motion to authorize the Solicitor to advertise the 2022 Tax Ordinance for adoption at the November 29<sup>th</sup> meeting. The reason it was added to the agenda was the ordinance must be advertised for seven days and must be acted upon immediately after the budget is adopted which is on November 29<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Foschi amended the motion to add the Commissioners' Meeting. Commissioner DiFilippo seconded the motion and it unanimously carried.

**Adjourn:** There being no other business to come before the board, Commissioner DiFilippo made a motion to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theresa Kissinger,  
Executive Assistant