

Berks County Operations Agenda
Tuesday, March 26, 2024
9:30 am

Christian Y. Leinbach, Commissioner, Chair
Michael S. Rivera, Commissioner
Dante Santoni, Jr., Commissioner
Kevin S. Barnhardt, Chief Operations Officer
Christine M. Sadler, Esq., County Solicitor

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approve the 2/27/24, Operations Meeting minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

1. Motion to authorize execution of the payments and electronic transfers for the week ending March 28, 2024, subject to final review and approval of the Chief Operations Officer.
2. Motion to authorize any necessary 2023 and 2024 Budget Transfers and Appropriations for the week ending March 28, 2024, subject to final review and approval of the Chief Operations Officer.

9:35am – 10:00am

Antietam Lake Master Plan Update Presentation - Chuck Strodoski, RLA, ASLA with YSM Landscape Architects & Brendan Lederer Asst. Director Berks County Parks & Recreation Department

10:00am – 10:30am

Whole Home Repairs Program Progress Report - Kenneth Pick, Executive Director & Jaime Perez, Housing Planner

PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT

Berks County Operations Minutes
February 27, 2024 (draft for approval March 12, 2024)
9:30 a.m.

The Berks County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, February 27, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Boardroom, 13th floor of the Berks County Services Center, and via Microsoft Teams Live pursuant to due notice to Board members and the public.

Commissioner Chair Christian Y. Leinbach called the meeting to order, with Commissioner Michael S. Rivera participating via telephone and Microsoft Teams. Also present were Christine M. Sadler, Solicitor, Kevin S. Barnhardt, Chief Operations Officer, and Carmen Torres, Chief Clerk.

Approval of Minutes

The January 30, 2024, Operations Meeting minutes were approved as presented.

Public Comment on Agenda Items

No comments.

Agenda

9:30am – 10:00am

Financial Update through December 31, 2023 -Laura Jones, Deputy Director of Budget & Finance

Laura Jones presented a PowerPoint slide show and gave a 2023 financial update. She spoke about the differences between the budget projections versus actuals. She pointed out some projected savings, such as unrealized gains and losses, additional grant funding, salaried and benefit savings, real estate taxes, debt interest expense, BCRC Enterprise fund, defease bonds, and other savings categories.

Commissioner Leinbach asked the budget staff to elaborate on why we defeased the bonds. Mr. Patrizio noted that defeasing those bonds were savings of additional interest and principal through 2029.

Ms. Jones continued her presentation, showing the cumulative receipts & disbursement projections, results, and projection's variances.

Commissioners thanked the Budget and Finance Team for all their hard work and the quality of their presentation.

Public Comments

There being no further business, Commissioner Leinbach adjourned the meeting at 9:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carmen Torres, Chief Clerk