

Berks County Operations Minutes
February 22, 2022

The Berks County Board of Commissioners met Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. via Microsoft Teams Live pursuant to due notice to Board members and the public.

Approval of Minutes

The meeting minutes of February 8, 2022 were approved as presented.

9:30am – 10:00am

2021 Report of Bond Compliance, Bob Patrizio, CFO

Mr. Patrizio reported that this is a best practice instituted by the Internal Revenue Service and is a policy that we diligently adhere to and continuously monitor. Mr. Patrizio was pleased to report that we have satisfied every compliance requirement for the 2021 calendar year. A report was submitted outlining the specific regulations which were satisfied of the applicable requirements.

Commissioner Rivera motioned to formally accept the report as presented. Commissioner Barnhardt seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Leinbach noted the Commissioners are receiving calls for meeting requests to discuss ARP funds. The commissioners emphasized that the continuing issue of being contacted by various entities requesting a meeting with one or more of them to pitch their project or program that would ultimately receive ARP dollars is not a practice that the commissioners will entertain or partake in. Politics and influence will not be a part of the ARP process, whereas ensuring a level and non-political playing field while the application process is open, is of the utmost importance. Awarding the ARP dollars is a decision made collectively by the commissioners, and therefore, all requests for a meeting will receive a prepared response redirecting them to the appropriate ARP forum.

Public Comments

No comments.

There being no further business, Commissioner Leinbach adjourned the meeting at 9:44 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Carmen Torres, Chief Clerk