

Monday, January 5, 2015

A Reorganization Meeting of the Pike County Commissioners was called to order by Commissioner Caridi at 9:00 a.m. at the Pike County Administration Building, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

PRESENT: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner (via telephone); and Solicitor Farley.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve the January 5, 2015 Agenda.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted "aye". Motion carried.

Questions and comments concerning today's agenda were entertained by the public.

REORGANIZATION

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to appoint Commissioner Richard Caridi as Chairman of the Pike County Board of Commissioners for one year.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted "aye". Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to appoint Commissioner Matthew Osterberg as Vice-Chairman of the Pike County Board of Commissioners for one year.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted "aye". Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to set the Commissioners' Meetings for the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 9:00 a.m.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted "aye". Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to set the Commissioners' Conferences for every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of the month from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted "aye". Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to set the Retirement Board Meetings for the third Wednesday of the month at 9:00 a.m., and as needed, at any regularly scheduled meetings and/or conferences.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted "aye". Motion carried.

Commissioner Caridi called for a motion and second for the following items as listed:

6. Motion to set the Salary Board Meetings, as needed, at any regularly scheduled meetings and/or conferences.
7. Motion to set the Election Board Meetings, as needed, at any regularly scheduled meetings and/or conferences.
8. Motion to adopt Resolution No. 15-01, appointing The Pike County Dispatch, The News Eagle, The Pocono Record, The Times Herald Record, The Pike County Courier and The Law Journal (per statute) as Official Publications of Pike County for the Year 2015.
9. Motion to adopt Resolution No. 15-02, setting forth depositories of county funds for the year 2015; namely, Honesdale National Bank, Dime Bank, NBT Bank, Wells Fargo and Wayne Bank.
10. Motion to execute the contract between Thomas Farley and the County of Pike, for services as Pike County Solicitor for a one-year term.
11. Motion to execute the contract between Stacey Beecher and the County of Pike, for services as Pike County Assistant Solicitor for a one year term.
12. Motion to appoint Christian Weed as Pike County Assistant Solicitor for the Pike County Commissioners for a one-year term, with continuity of benefits.
13. Motion to execute the contract between Lindsey Collins and the County of Pike, for services as Conflicts Counsel for the Public Defender's Office for a one-year term.
14. Motion to recognize the appointment of the following Row Officers' Solicitors, on an as-needed

basis, for a one-year term:

Anthony Waldron - Coroner
Thomas Farley - Prison Board
Douglas Jacobs - Sheriff, Treasurer
Ron Bugaj – Auditors, Prothonotary
Christopher Kimler - Recorder of Deeds

15. Motion to appoint Michael Lamoreaux of McGoey, Hauser & Edsall Engineering, as Engineer for the County of Pike for a one-year term at the proposed rates.
16. Motion to appoint Michael Lamoreaux of McGoey, Hauser & Edsall Engineering, as Dam Inspectors for the County of Pike for a one-year term at the proposed rates.
17. Motion to appoint Robert F. Bernathy as Pike County Public Defender for a one-year term.
18. Motion to appoint Amanda Chesar, Michael Weinstein and Jason Ohliger as Assistant Public Defenders for a one-year term.
19. Motion to appoint George Fluhr as Pike County Historian for a one-year term, to perform assignments as directed by the Commissioners.
20. Motion to appoint James Gelatt, as Chairman, and Fred Suljic and Joseph Regenski as members of the Pike County Board of Assessment Appeals for a one-year term.
21. Motion to appoint the following individuals to the Pike County Area Agency on Aging Advisory Board for a 3 year term ending 12/31/17: Jacqueline Eadicicco, Rita Tepperman, George Kanfer, Joe Shevlin and Catherine Steele.
22. Motion to appoint the following individuals to the Pike County Children & Youth Advisory Board for a 2 year term ending 12/31/16: Erin Stroyan, Ellen Schaffner, Sandra Lefort and Dr. Michael Newmark.
23. Motion to appoint the following individuals to the Pike County Economic Development Authority for a 3 year term ending 12/31/17: Gerald Najarian, Marcia Guberman and Tim Gartner.
24. Motion to appoint the following individuals to the Pike County Economic Development Authority for a 1 year term ending 12/31/15: Davis Chant, Aileen Sullivan and Mary Alice Petzinger.
25. Motion to appoint Michael Mancino to the Pike County Agricultural Land Preservation Board for a 3 year term ending 12/31/17.
26. Motion to appoint Glenn Stryas as Chairman of the Pike County Agricultural Land Preservation Board for a 1 year term ending 12/31/15.
27. Motion to appoint the following individuals to the Pike County Scenic Rural Character Preservation Board for a 3 year term ending 12/31/17: William Clauss, James Leighty and Jeffrey Scheetz.
28. Motion to appoint Peter Helms to the Pike County Scenic Rural Character Preservation Board as an Alternate for a 3 year term ending 12/31/17.
29. Motion to appoint the following individuals to the Lake Wallenpaupack Watershed Management District Board for a 4 year term ending 12/31/18: Sally Corrigan-Lackawanna County at Large; Justin Hoffmann-Wayne County at Large; and Alex Zidok-Pike County at Large.
30. Motion to appoint the following individuals to the Pike County Planning Commission for a 4 year term ending 12/31/18: Dennis Brink, Charles Burnett and Richard Gross.
31. Motion to appoint the following individuals to the Carbon-Monroe-Pike Drug & Alcohol Commission for a 3 year term ending 12/31/17: Shannon Wisniewski and Luke Barbalich.
32. Motion to appoint the following individuals to the Pike County Road Task Force for a 3-year term ending 12/31/17: Chuck Rosemergy-Blooming Grove Township; Charles Kroener-Delaware Township; Gary Williams-Milford Township; Thomas Simons-Palmyra Township; and Ken Kohler-Porter Township.
33. Motion to appoint Elspeth Goodin to the Pike County Library Board for a 3 year term ending

12/31/17.

34. Motion to authorize the Chairman to execute the Agreement between Bridget Gelderman and the County of Pike, for consulting services for the Hotel Tax Grant Program.
35. Motion to execute the Agreement for Janitorial Services for the Lackawaxen Senior Center between Ruth Clouse and the County of Pike, on behalf of the Area Agency on Aging.
36. Motion to execute the Agreement for Janitorial Services for the Blooming Grove Senior Center between Jane Phraner and the County of Pike, on behalf of the Area Agency on Aging.
37. Motion to execute the Lease Agreement between Lackawaxen Township Volunteer Fire Department and the County of Pike, on behalf of the Area Agency on Aging.
38. Motion to execute the Planned Maintenance Agreement between L.J. Bogumil, Inc. and the County of Pike for the following buildings: Administration, Area Agency on Aging, Immigration Office and Training Center.
39. Motion to create a Pike County Department of Public Safety effective December 28, 2014.

Any Commissioner can attend any Board Meeting in case of the appointed Commissioners' absence, as a voting member of that Board.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve items 6 through 39 above as presented by Chairman Caridi (amending item #9 to read NBT Bank instead of PennStar Bank).

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted "aye". Motion carried.

PERSONNEL

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to change the title of **BERNARD SWARTWOOD** to Director of Communications and Department of Public Safety for the Communications Center and the newly created Department of Public Safety effective December 28, 2014.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted "aye". Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to change the status and title of **JORDAN WISNIEWSKI** to full time Operations and Planning Officer of the Training Center, for a 40 hour work week, effective December 28, 2014.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted "aye". Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to change the title of **TIMOTHY KNAPP** to Acting Emergency Management Coordinator for the Emergency Management Agency effective December 28, 2014.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted "aye". Motion carried.

Motion: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to recess the Commissioners' Reorganization Meeting to hold a Salary Board Meeting.

Vote: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted "aye". Motion carried.

A SALARY BOARD MEETING WAS HELD.

Motion: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to reconvene the Commissioners' Reorganization Meeting.

Vote: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted "aye". Motion carried.

Questions and comments were opened to the Public and the Press.

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to adjourn the Reorganization Meeting.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted "aye". Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE PIKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2015, AT 9:00 A.M. AT THE PIKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.