

Wednesday, December 14, 2011

The second regular meeting of December 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 and Hummel; Chief Clerk Orben and Solicitor Farley.

Public Comments/Questions concerning today's agenda.

MOTION: by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to approve the December 14, 2011 Agenda.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi and Hummel voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to approve the December 7, 2011 Commissioners Meeting Minutes.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi and Hummel voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to approve the December 13, 2011 Conference Minutes.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi and Hummel voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to approve payment of the **COUNTY BILLS**, in the amount of \$371,024.93, with several subject to further review.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi and Hummel voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to approve payment from **BOND ACCOUNT, SERIES A (Lackawaxen Recreation)** in the amount of \$278,930.00.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi and Hummel voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to approve payment from **LIQUID FUELS FUND (Mowing County Roads)** in the amount of \$390.00.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi and Hummel voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to approve payment from **PC EMPLOYEES' HEALTH INS. FUND** in the amount of \$142,203.68.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi and Hummel voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL

MOTION: by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to acknowledge receipt of a letter from Judge Joseph F. Kameen, advising that he has hired **ANGELA VANDERBECK**, as his full time Administrative Assistant, for a 37 ½ hour work week, effective December 12, 2011, with benefits after 90 days. This is a replacement position.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi and Hummel voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to acknowledge receipt of a letter from Judge Joseph F. Kameen, advising that he has hired **LISA COSENZA**, as a full time Juvenile Probation Officer, for a 40 hour work week, effective December 27, 2011, with benefits after 90 days. This is a replacement position.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi and Hummel voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

Motion: by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to recess the Commissioners' Meeting to hold a Salary Board Meeting.

Vote: Commissioners Caridi and Hummel voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

A SALARY BOARD MEETING WAS HELD.

Motion: by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to reconvene the Commissioners' Meeting.

Vote: Commissioners Caridi and Hummel voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION: by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to adopt Resolution No. 11-32, regarding Act 106 and Public Official Bonding. Chief Clerk Orben explained that this resolution is due to the fact that the legislature has approved a blanket bond for row officers and elected officials, including some of the appointed officials in the County. In the past a bond was necessary for each individual office holder. This condenses that and is much more cost effective. The County's insurance carrier, CCAP, also has the caveat for theft insurance built into the policy to accommodate Act 106. The limit is \$1 million for the bonding and insurance.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi and Hummel voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to authorize the Chairman to execute the following Change Orders between Grimm Construction and the County of Pike, for the Pike County Training Complex: #15-drainage at burn building-additional \$7,399.18; #16-retaining wall at burn building-additional \$17,166; #17-additional wall blocking-additional \$3,774; #18-connection of new shower drains-additional \$1,088; #19-panic hardware-additional \$808; and #20-burn building west elevation trench drain-additional \$3,575. Commissioner Caridi explained that some of the change orders were for additional drainage to divert springs that were found. Some were due to showers that needed to be ADA compliant. Projects should not exceed 10% for change orders for the scope and duration of the project. The County is just under 4% for this project.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi and Hummel voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Karl Wilgus presented the Pocono Mountain Vacation Bureau's Annual Report. Mr. Wilgus highlighted some of the more pertinent points in the report. There was steady growth this past year. Hotel and lodging revenues started to creep up.

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

ADJOURNMENT. THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE PIKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2011, AT 9:00 A.M., AT THE PIKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.