

Wednesday, December 3, 2014

The first 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. An opening prayer was offered by Pastor David Johnston of Bible Fellowship Church of Greentown.

PRESENT: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner; Chief Clerk Orben; Solicitor Farley.

Public Comments/Questions concerning today's agenda.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve the December 3, 2014 Agenda.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to approve the November 19, 2014 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve the November 14, 17, 18, 19, 26 and December 1, 2014 Conference Minutes.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted 'aye', except for the November 26 and December 1, 2014 conferences for which Commissioner Wagner abstained due to his absence. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve payment from **GENERAL FUND (County Bills)**, in the amount of \$228,010.56, subject to further review.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to approve payment from **LIQUID FUELS FUND (sanding/plowing)**, in the amount of \$2,595.00, subject to further review.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve payment from **PC EMPLOYEES' HEALTH INS. FUND**, in the amount of \$246,836.52.

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

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to present the 2015 Pike County Budget for public review in the Commissioners' Office and on the County website.

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

Commissioner Caridi stated that there will not be a tax increase in 2015 which means that for the third year in a row the Commissioners have not raised taxes and have continued to keep expenses at the same levels. The budget actually shows a reduction in expenses of approximately \$500,000. Some of the contributing factors was a reduction in the debt service obligation as well as a reduction in the ARC funding for the pension which is doing very well and the projected contributions for the future have been reduced.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to authorize the Chairman to execute the Rental Assistance Subsidy voucher to Delaware Run in the amount of \$2,139 for December 2014, on behalf of the Human Development Office.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to authorize the Chairman to execute Senior Rental Assistance Contract #7A, on behalf of the Human Development Office.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to authorize the Chairman to execute a Housing Rehabilitation Assistance Lien, on behalf of the Human Development Office.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to execute the 2013-14 Human Services Development Fund Final Report, on behalf of the Human Development Office.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to authorize the Chairman to execute the Letter of Attorney to Satisfy Mortgage, on behalf of the Human Development Office.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to authorize the Chairman to execute the 2013-14 Medical Assistance Transportation Program (MATP) Acknowledgement Letter for the allocation amount of \$288,171, on behalf of the Transportation Office.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to execute the Agreement between Twin Cedars and the County of Pike, on behalf of the Area Agency on Aging.

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

MISCELLANEOUS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE PIKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2014, AT 9:00 A.M., AT THE PIKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.