Wednesday, April 18, 2012

The third regular meeting of April 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; Chief Clerk Orben; Solicitor Farley.

Public Comments/Questions concerning today's agenda.

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

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

A RETIREMENT BOARD MEETING WAS HELD.

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

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to approve the April 18, 2012 Agenda.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve the April 11, 2012 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to approve the April 11, 12 and 17, 2012 Commissioners' Conference Minutes.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve payment of the **COUNTY BILLS,** in the amount of \$1,156,810.60, 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 \$106,034.09.

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

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to adopt Resolution No. 12-17, April 2012, Autism Awareness Month in Pike County, which was read by Commissioner Wagner and presented to Jeannemarie Passaro of Pike Autism Support Services. Ms. Passaro thanked the Commissioners for their support and gave an overview of autism, support services, lack of funding, and also spoke of her 20 year old son who has autism. Department of Public Welfare Block grants are earmarked for human and social services which were cut by 20%. The County must decide which programs will get the funding.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to advertise for bids for the purchase of groceries and frozen foods for the Pike County Correctional Facility.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to execute the Letter of Understanding between Zelenkofske Axelrod and the County of Pike, for auditing services of grant financial statements of the Monroe County-Local Share Account Grant and the Emergency Response Resource and Training Grant.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to execute the HAVA 2^{nd} Quarter Working Capital Request and Performance Report for Section 251, on behalf of the Elections Office.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to execute the FY 2012-2013 Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare Grant Agreement, on behalf of CCIS. Jill Gamboni, CCIS Director, explained that this is a state and federally funded grant renewable for the past 40 years. This will be the last time to renew this grant. This year's grant amount is for \$1,462,176 which is a 17.5% cut from last year. One CCIS employee was already layed off due to this cut. **VOTE:** Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to execute the DEP Bureau of Land Recycling and Waste Management Municipal Waste Plan Update Grant Reimbursement Certification Document.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to execute the Agreement between KKPR Marketing & Public Relations and the County of Pike, for advertising on County buses, on behalf of the Transportation Office.

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

MISCELLANEOUS:

Ruth Eberz of PASR (Pennsylvania Association of School Retirees) presented the Commissioners with a mock check in the amount of \$269,755 that indicates what the County has been saved due to their volunteer group performing work in the community.

Commissioner Caridi announced that the 2012 Pike-Wayne Earth Day Festival will be held on Saturday, April 21, 2012, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at PPL Wallenpaupack Environmental Learning Center.

Yesterday morning Jamie and Matthew Wiemann lost their home and all their belongings in a devastating fire. Jamie is a County employee in the Recorder of Deeds Office. Shohola Township is accepting any and all donations, monetary or otherwise, at the Shohola Township Building, 159 Twin Lakes Road, Shohola, PA 18458. Checks can be made payable to Jamie and Matthew Wiemann. (please write "donation" on the check). If you have any questions, please call the township at 570-559.7394.

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

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: EFFECTIVE MAY 2, 2012, THE PIKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PUBLIC MEETINGS WILL BE HELD ON THE FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAYS OF THE MONTH, AND NO LONGER ON THE SECOND AND FOURTH WEDNESDAYS.

ADJOURNMENT.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE PIKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 2012, AT 9:00 A.M., AT THE PIKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.