

Wednesday, April 25, 2012

The fourth 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 Community Development Block Grant Public Hearing.

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

A CDBG PUBLIC HEARING 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 25, 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 18, 2012 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 April 24, 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 **COUNTY BILLS**, in the amount of \$311,721.43, 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 **HOTEL TAX (Approp. & Lock Data)**, in the amount of \$26,176.00.

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 \$99,722.41.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve Judicial Sale Exonerations as presented by Cynthia Gehris, Tax Claim Bureau Director.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to table the bids received for the Countywide Recycling Program Drop-off Program for an additional 30 days.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to open the bids received for the 2002 Ford Explorer, VIN #1FMZU72E22ZA80392, with 104,500 miles, minimum bid of \$1,000, AS IS.

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

Solicitor Farley opened the only bid received which was from John P. Osterhout in the amount of \$507.00. This was less than the minimum bid of \$1,000 required, therefore, the following motion to reject the bid was made.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to reject the bid made by John P. Osterhout in the amount of \$507.00, as bid was less than minimum required.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to readvertise for bids for the 2002 Ford Explorer, VIN #1FMZU72E22ZA80392, with 104,500 miles, minimum bid of \$1,000, AS IS.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to adopt Ordinance No. 23, authorizing the Board of Commissioners or its Designee to Enter into a Cooperative Purchasing Agreement for 911 Goods and Services with Other Participating Municipalities.

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

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to execute the Joint Purchasing Agreement for the purchase of 911 goods and services with other participating municipalities.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to adopt Resolution No. 12-18, Authorizing the filing of the County's 2012 Community Development Block Grant Application in the amount of \$248,724.00.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to adopt Resolution No. 12-19, Economic Development Program.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to adopt Resolution No. 12-20, National Crime Victims' Rights Week, which was read by Commissioner Caridi.

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

Mary Beth Sayles, Victim/Witness Coordinator of the Victim/Witness Program in the District Attorney's Office, explained that this program helped about 600 victims last year. This includes notifications, court hearings, restitution, accompanying victims to hearings, aiding victims with impact statement at time of sentencing, etc. The SAVIN program is an automated system that has been in place in Pike County since 2007. This program notifies the victim or other registered individual if the offender comes out of prison. This is not only beneficial to victims, but also to law enforcement.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to advertise for a Statement of Interest for Inspection Engineering for the 2013-2017 Pike County Bridge Inspections.

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

Chief Clerk Gary Orben stated that the State has made significant changes in the way the County can obtain an engineer to do bridge inspections on behalf of the County and municipalities. There is a statement of interest that spells out the criteria that engineers are required to provide with regard to the inspections. It is a 5 year program. The County has until June to select an engineer in conjunction with the state and abiding with the stringent criteria by the State. The County is responsible for 18 bridges and 18 of municipality bridge inspections which are reimbursed by the municipalities.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to advertise for bids for the purchase of fortified flavored beverage bases for the Pike County Correctional Facility.

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 Change Order No. 1 between Chilewski Enterprises and the County of Pike, for the CDBG Greene Township ADA Renovations Project.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to award \$120,000 to the Pike County Conservation District working with US Geological Survey for the Groundwater Baseline Temporal Study, and to execute the Scenic Rural Character Preservation Program Grant Contact between the Pike County Conservation District and the County of Pike, as recommended by the SRCP Board.

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

Commissioner Caridi stated that this is a continuation of the application process to partner with USGS to do a baseline groundwater study in Pike County in the event that there are wells, in order to determine that the waters were pristine before the wells were drilled.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to authorize the Chairman to execute the Letter of Intent for the Keystone Recreation, Park and Conservation Fund Grant Program for Public Library Facilities, on behalf of the Pike County Public Library.

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

This is a multi-step application which includes the letter of intent from a municipality which in this case would be Pike County. The project will be for the Dorothy Warner Building lower level accessible to the public and have a community room in that facility. This is a matching grant in the amount of \$55,000 which will be paid through library funds.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Janice Boyd of the Pike County Area Agency on Aging, gave an overview on the LINK Program, which is funded through a grant from the Office of Long Term Living/Office of Aging through Medicare and Medicaid. This LINK program helps with long term services and support for aging and disabilities, including veterans. On April 27 a seminar will be held through the Disability Rights Network of PA at the Hemlock Farms Community Association Steer Barn.

Lana Romeo, also of the Area Agency on Aging, announced that the Healthy Steps program will be held at the Bushkill Fire Department on May 19, 2012.

A Children's Parade will be held after the meeting.

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

PLEASE NOTE: 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, MAY 2, 2012, AT 9:00 A.M., AT THE PIKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.