

Wednesday, May 16, 2012

The second regular meeting of May 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 CDBG 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 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 Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve the May 16, 2012 Agenda.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve the May 2, 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 May 2 and 9, 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 \$1,619,531.90, 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 **HOTEL TAX FUND (AAA May/June ad)**, in the amount of \$1,000.00.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve payment from **LIQUID FUELS FUND (Westfall Traffic Light)**, in the amount of \$378.00.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to approve payment of **ACT 44 FUND (Adv.-Bridge Insp.)**, in the amount of \$466.51.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve payment from **BOND ACCOUNT, SERIES B (Bldg. downpayment)**, in the amount of \$65,750.00.

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 \$127,564.95.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve payment from **HAZARDOUS MATERIAL RESPONSE FUND (Trailer lettering)**, in the amount of \$650.00.

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

PERSONNEL:

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to hire **TONI MARINO**, as a full-time Van Driver for the Transportation Office, for a 40 hour work week, retroactive to May 7, 2012, with benefits after 90 days. This is a replacement position.

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

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

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

OLD BUSINESS:

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to reject all bids received for the Countywide Recycling Drop-Off Program.

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

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

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

Solicitor Farley opened bids received from the following vendors: Karetas Foods, Benjamin Foods, Pocono Produce, Mivila Foods, Sysco Food Services, Bernard Foods, Maines Paper & Food Service, Keyco Distributors and US Foods, Inc. Solicitor Farley explained that all bids are different amounts for a different variation of items.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to table the bids received for the purchase of groceries and frozen foods for the Pike County Correctional Facility for review until June 20, 2012.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to open bids received for the sale of a 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.

No bids were received. As this was the second time the vehicle was advertised, the County may dispose of the vehicle as they deem fit.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to open Statements of Interest received from engineering firms to perform inspections of county and township owned bridges in Pike County.

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

Solicitor Farley opened the only bid received which was from McGoey, Hauser & Edsall.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to table the Statement of Interest received from McGoey, Hauser & Edsall to perform inspections of county and township owned bridges in Pike County for review and approval from the State.

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

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to adopt Resolution No. 12-21, Protect Our Children From Tobacco Smoke Pollution Month, May, 2012, which was read by Commissioner Osterberg. Deborah Brodhecker, Tobacco Free Coalition, and Ellen Orben, Advisor for T.A.T.U., and Delaware Valley High School students who are members of T.A.T.U. (Teens Against Tobacco Use). The students went to the Middle School to discuss spit tobacco which is gaining popularity. The students presented a video on tobacco use and second hand smoke. Another group of T.A.T.U. students are working on a policy change in the school regarding punishment for having a tobacco product in school. The students want to add a component of a cessation program rather than just punishment.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to adopt Resolution No. 12-22, Resolution Authorizing the Modification of the Budget for Pike County's 2009 CDBG Program, which was read by Commissioner Wagner.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to appoint the following individuals to the Pike County Economic Development Authority for a term ending December 31, 2012, contingent upon the revision of the EDA's by-laws: Davis R. Chant, Mary Alice Petzinger and Aileen Kolvenbach.

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 following change orders between Grimm Construction and the County of Pike, on behalf of the Pike County Training Center: #28 for an additional \$8,396 for propane system trenching; and #29 for an additional \$4,017 for propane pad bollards.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to execute the DCED Local Share Account Commitment Letter and Grant Contract in the amount of \$200,000, on behalf of the Forest Volunteer Fire Department Live-In Program.

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

Vito Manzione, Treasurer and Lieutenant Line Officer of the FVFD, explained that this project has been in the process for the past two years to renovate the second level of the firehouse for a Live-In program, for up to 10 to 11 full time live-ins. The trade off is that the individuals volunteer to the FVFD for housing. This is mainly for Lackawanna College students, but it is not just for college students. The FVFD will be the first in NE PA to do this, and should help with the shortage of volunteers. This has already been done in Dauphin and Lancaster Counties and Maryland since the 1970s and has been very successful.

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to authorize the Chairman to execute the Agreement between McGoey, Hauser & Edsall Consulting Engineers and the County of Pike, for the roof replacement at 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 the Pocono Counties Workforce Investment Area Services Agreement (Cost Reimbursement) between the Pocono Counties WIB and the County of Pike, on behalf of the Transportation Office.

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

Keith Raser, Transportation Director, stated that Pike County Workforce Development Agency applied for and received a grant for approximately \$15,000. This money is to be used solely for transportation of their clients.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to execute the PA Board of Probation and Parole FY 2012-2017 Grant-in-Aid Funds Agreement and Supervision Funds Agreement, on behalf of the Adult Probation 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 DEP Grant Agreement for the Environmental Education Grants Program, on behalf of the Community Planning 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 DCED Request for Release of Funds and Certification for the 2011 Shohola Township, Greene Township and Milford Borough CDBG projects and the 2011 Matamoras CDBG project.

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 Homeless Assistance Program & Rapid Re-Housing Program Final Fiscal Status Report, 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 Pike County Rental Assistance Contract #1, 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 following Provider Contracts on behalf of CCIS:#4113576736-1, #8113575816, and #3113577331-1.

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 Mini-Grant Award Agreement between the PA Chapter of American Academy of Pediatrics and the County of Pike, on behalf of the Child Death Review Team for the Cribs for Kids Program.

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 Trademark License Agreement between S.I.D.S. of PA and the County of Pike, on behalf of the Child Death Review Team for the Cribs for Kids Program.

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

Jill Gamboni, CCIS Director, announced that of the 67 County Child Death Review Teams, only 5 received the grant. This program was chosen because Pike County's Child Death Review Team has had to review a few deaths of infants in unsafe sleep environments, either because they are co-sleeping, sleeping on couches, in beds, with siblings, etc. Those deaths are 100% preventable.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Commissioner Caridi read the Governor's Proclamation of Corrections Employee Week, May 6-May 12, 2012.

Warden Craig Lowe, presented Joshua Hager with Correctional Officer of the Year for 2011.

Warden Lowe announced that the Correctional Facility received 100% compliance on the Department of Corrections' annual inspection and the US Immigration & Customs Enforcement "Superior" Rating. Matthew Balas, AFSCME representative, Scott Fean, President of Local 1841, and Correctional Officer Elvis Loor congratulated and commended everyone at the Correctional Officer involved in attaining a superior rating.

Dr. Alan Detweiler, owner of the Malibu Dude Ranch, announced that the 1st Annual Veteran's Charity Championship Rodeo Roundup on June 2, 2012, at the Malibu Dude Ranch. All of the proceeds will go to Hunts for Healing of Luzerne Foundation which benefits soldiers returning from active duty from Afghanistan and Iraq to graduate them into the workforce and accommodate their needs. Another championship rodeo will be held on June 9, 2012 which will benefit Cancer Care, a National organization, that allows children and families suffering from cancer to enjoy a weekend at the ranch and have their expenses paid for through the benefit and the rodeo.

Christine Kerstetter, Human Development Director, stated that another Electronics Recycling Event will be held on July 21, 2012 from 8 am to 1 pm at the Blooming Grove Township Municipal Building and Dutch's Market.

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, JUNE 6, 2012, AT 9:00 A.M. AT THE PIKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.