

Wednesday, June 6, 2012

The first regular meeting of June 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. Pastor Rolf Buchmann of the Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Milford offered the opening prayer.

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 June 6, 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 16, 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 21, 22, 24, 29, 30 and June 4, 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 \$247,101.69, 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 (Guide/map/brochure)**, in the amount of \$20,768.00.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve payment from **DEBT SERVICE FUND (2012 BOND FEES)**, in the amount of \$122.05.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to approve payment from **PC EMPLOYEES' HEALTH INS. FUND**, in the amount of \$74,678.76.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve payment of **BOND ACCOUNT, SERIES A (Reimb. 4/1-5/31 exp.)**, in the amount of \$606,419.62.

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 (Closing cost and reimburse expenses)**, in the amount of \$639,898.23.

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

PERSONNEL:

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to acknowledge receipt of a letter from Judge Joseph Kameen advising that he has hired **BEVERLY SMITH**, as a temporary part-time Clerk in the Probation Office, for up to 24 hours per pay period, effective June 4, 2012 through August 31, 2012, with no benefits. This is a temporary part time position created by the Salary Board below.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to hire **DEBRA BRODHECKER AND DEBORAH ALBRECHT**, as part-time 4-H Youth Coordinators for Penn State Extension, for less than 1000 hours each, effective May 21, 2012, with no benefits. These individuals will fill the part-time positions created by the Salary Board below.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to hire **JOAN EDEL**, as Aging Care Manager I for the Area Agency on Aging Office, for a 40 hour work week, effective June 11, 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 open bids received for the purchase of fortified flavored beverage bases for the Pike County Correctional Facility.

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

Solicitor Farley opened bids received from Bernard Food Industries in the amount of \$6,568.56 and Maines Paper & Food in the amount of 17,475.60. The other bids received were samples and not bids.

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to table the bids received for the purchase of fortified flavored beverage bases for the Pike County Correctional Facility for review until June 27, 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 Pike County Training Center Garage Floor Finish.

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

Solicitor Farley opened bids received from Engine Bay Floors in the amount of \$23,881.90 for base bid; Alternate A-1-\$27,771.58; Alternate A-2-\$24,987.70; and from Grimm Construction in the amount of \$52,994 for base bid; Alternates A-1 and A-2 are zero.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to table bids received for the Pike County Training Center Garage Floor Finish for review until June 27, 2012.

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

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to authorize the Chairman to execute the Seventh Amendment to the Agreements of Exchange between the Commonwealth and the County of Pike, for an extension of time for the proposed transfer of the existing DOT Pike County Maintenance Facility and County property located in Blooming Grove Township. Commissioner Caridi explained that this extension of time is requested by PennDot. PennDot is finally submitting the construction of the facility in Blooming Grove, which is a trade off of 14 acres to Penn Dot for 3 ¼ acres in Milford Borough to the County.

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 following Change Orders between GR Noto and the County of Pike for the Pike County Training Center: #12 for an additional \$3,308 for exterior light fixtures; and #13 for an additional \$2,398.63 for an elevator shunt trip circuit breaker.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to execute the FY 2012-2013 Renewal Contracts between the following providers and the County of Pike, on behalf of the Area Agency on Aging: All Aspects In Home Health Agency; Allied Services; BeckNCall; Care Givers America; Lorie Zecchino; Meredith Chamorro; Devereaux Pocono Center; Guardian; Just Julia In Home Care; Medstaffers; North Penn Legal Services; Newman Smith Post 14; Quality Health Care; Revolutionary Nurses and Wayne Memorial Hospital Department of Home Health Nursing.

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 Form for Permission to Collect Water Samples by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), on behalf of the Pike County Correctional Facility. This is to authorize the Correctional Facility which holds the public water supply permit from DEP to participate in the groundwater study to get a baseline analysis of wells in Pike County before and if there is any drilling.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to execute the Data Quality Support Agreement between the County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania and the County of Pike, on behalf of the Pike County Correctional Facility, as recommended by the Prison Board.
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 Prime Care Medical Updated HIPAA Business Associate Agreement, on behalf of the Pike County Correctional Facility, as recommended by the Prison Board.
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 Rental Assistance Subsidy Voucher for June 2012 to Delaware Run in the amount of \$554, 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 2012-13 State Food Purchase Program Plan Format, 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 Quarterly Employment Report for the period January-March 2012, on behalf of CCIS.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to execute the FY 2011/12 Third Quarter Certification Statement for Pike County Children & Youth Social Service Programs.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to execute the FY 2012-2013 Business Agreement and Child Accounting Profile System (CAPS) Application Service Provider Agreement between Avanco International, Inc. and the County of Pike, on behalf of Children & Youth Services.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted 'aye'. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Keith Raser, Transportation Director, announced that under the 2011 Capital Grant the Transportation Department received three new vehicles with another vehicle on its way. Mr. Raser also applied for an emergency grant in the amount of \$27,355 which was awarded to purchase a four-door sedan. Many riders do not need an accessible van, therefore, the sedan will be used. Total grants in the past 14 months total \$431,730 for 11 vehicles. The funding comes from PennDot and the PA lottery.

The next topic for discussion was the gas pipeline route detouring around the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area and FERC's decision to approve the seven mile loop through seven acres of pristine unspoiled forest and private properties in Pike County. The alternate choice would be to put the pipeline beside an existing Tennessee Gas right of way, but Park Superintendent John Donohue discouraged Tennessee by stating that it would require legislation by Congress, and that the National Park would oppose it. The Commissioners stated that Mr. Donahue is not very cooperative with anything concerning Pike County, for example, the situation with Route 209 shows his lack of concern for residents of Pike County. The deed/agreement gives Tennessee the right to lay this pipeline in its right of way. Donahue has been very deceptive about not being able to put a pipeline in. The Commissioners are of the opinion that Donahue should leave this region. Senator Lisa Baker and Representatives Mike Peifer and Rosemary Brown sent letters of support of using the existing line. The Commissioners asked that voters contact the National Park Service, Senators Casey and Toomey and Representative Marino who have not made any statement thus far. Several residents at the meeting made comments including disturbing bald eagles' nests and cause closings on Cummins Hill Road. Bernard Kozykowski, past chair of the Upper Delaware Citizens Advisory Commission to the NPS, who has been working closely with the Commissioners, also agreed that Tennessee should be using the existing right-of-way. The Commissioners urged residents to send emails and letters by June 27th, which is the deadline for the appeal.

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

ADJOURNMENT. THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE PIKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WHICH WAS SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 20, 2012 WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27, 2012, AT 9:00 A.M., AT THE PIKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.