

Wednesday, August 15, 2012

The second regular meeting of August 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 and Osterberg; Chief Clerk Orben; Solicitor Farley.

NOT PRESENT: Commissioner Wagner.

Public Comments/Questions concerning today's agenda.

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

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

A RETIREMENT BOARD MEETING WAS HELD.

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

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to approve the August 15, 2012 Agenda.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to approve the August 1, 2012 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes.

VOTE: Commissioners Osterberg voted 'aye'. Commissioner Caridi abstained due to his absence. Motion not carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to approve the August 8, 10, 13 and 14, 2012 Commissioners' Conference Minutes.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to approve payment of **COUNTY BILLS**, in the amount of \$788,286.48, subject to further review.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to approve payment from **PC EMPLOYEES' HEALTH INS. FUND**, in the amount of \$144,405.27.

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

PERSONNEL

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to change the status of **DIANE DAHLQUIST**, from part-time to full-time Van Driver for the Transportation Office, for a 40 hour work week, effective August 15, 2012, with benefits after 90 days, at her current rate of pay. This is a replacement position.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to open bids received for the sale of the following vehicles: 2000 Dodge Caravan, 51,885 miles, VIN 1B4GT44LXYB559148, minimum bid \$300, AS IS; 2003 Chevy Impala, 95,341 miles, VIN 2G1WF55K139335254, minimum bid \$750, AS IS; and 2001 Chevy Suburban, 101,619 miles, VIN 3GNGK26U81G269172, minimum bid \$800, AS IS.

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

Solicitor Farley opened the following bids: Jersey One – 2003 Chevy Impala - \$1,231.99 and 2001 Chevy Suburban - \$2,331.99; Mike Ferrante – 2001 Chevy Suburban - \$1600; DeNaples – 2000 Dodge Caravan - \$326, 2003 Chevy Impala - \$776, and 2001 Chevy Suburban - \$836.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to accept the highest bids received for the sale of the above referenced vehicles: Jersey One - \$1,231.99 for the Impala and \$2,331.99 for the Suburban and DeNaples - \$326 for the Caravan.

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

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to authorize the Chairman to execute the Appraisal Fee Agreements between Richard J. Drzewiecki, CPE and the County of Pike, on behalf of the Assessment Office regarding Paupack Hills Golf Course and Tanglwood Ski Area.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to advertise for bids for the Flood Remediation (Severe Repetitive Loss) for a residence in Westfall Township.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to authorize the Chairman to execute the 2011-2012 State Food Purchase Program Final Report, on behalf of the Human Development Office.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to execute the 2012-13 State Food Purchase Program Pantry Sub-Agreements between the County and the following food pantries: Blooming Grove, Loaves to Fishes, Pike County, Holy Trinity and Bushkill Outreach.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to authorize the Chairman to execute the Request for Release of Funds and Certification for the following CDBG projects: Rohman Park in Shohola Township; Promise Land Fire & Ambulance Co. in Greene Township; and Parking Lot Construction in Milford Borough.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to execute the amended Pike County Link Coordinator Agreement between Janice Boyd and the County of Pike, on behalf of the Area Agency on Aging.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to execute the PCCD Victim/Witness Services RASA and Victims of Juvenile Offenders (VOJO) Grant Applications, on behalf of the District Attorney's Office. Mary Beth Sayles, Victim Witness Coordinator, stated that these are for state funds. RASA (Rights and Services Act) funds are to provide services to victims of crimes in the adult criminal justice system. VOJO (Victims of Juvenile Offenders) funds are for the Victim Witness Coordinator to provide services to victims of juvenile offenders. RASA grant is for \$47,284 for two years and the VOJO grant is for the remainder of this year.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to authorize the Chairman to execute the following Provider Agreements on behalf of CCIS (Child Care Information Services): Nos. 1111266122-2, 1111213471-1, 3113148710-2 and 3111213560-1.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Caridi, to extend the contract between Waste Management and the County of Pike for one month.

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

MISCELLANEOUS:

Christine Kerstetter, Human Development Director, announced that Governor Corbett has restarted the Homeowners Emergency Mortgage Assistance Program (HEMAP), which is foreclosure prevention assistance. This is for homeowners who are at least three months delinquent in their mortgage payments. The program is run by the PA Housing Finance Association and their phone number is 1-800-342-2397 or www.phfa.org/counseling/hemap.

Commissioner Caridi announced that the County-Wide Recycling Program will be terminated effective October 1, 2012. A press release was distributed and is attached. Also distributed were various charts, photographs and documentation showing the financial loss faced by the County's recycling program. This decision was also based on the 10% cut in funding of the County human services programs by the state, and the high unemployment rate. The Commissioners do not want to add an additional tax burden on the citizens of Pike County. Private haulers are now providing curbside, single stream recycling to customers at no additional charge.

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, SEPTEMBER 5, 2012, AT 9:00 A.M., AT THE PIKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.