

### **Wednesday, September 21, 2011**

The third regular meeting of September 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, Hummel and Wagner; Chief Clerk Orben and Solicitor Farley.

Sheriff Bueki awarded a commendation plaque to Deputy Peter DelGaizo for graduating at the top of his class from the Sheriff's Training Academy.

#### ***Public Comments/Questions concerning today's agenda.***

**MOTION:** by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve the September 21, 2011 Agenda.

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

**MOTION:** by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Hummel, to approve the September 14, 2011 Commissioners Meeting Minutes.

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

**MOTION:** by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve the September 14, 2011 Conference Minutes.

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

**MOTION:** by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Hummel, to approve payment of the **COUNTY BILLS**, in the amount of \$188,935.46, with several subject to further review.

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

**MOTION:** by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve payment from **HOTEL TAX FUND (Gelderman-consulting fee)** in the amount of \$6,250.00.

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

**MOTION:** by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Hummel, to approve payment from **ACT 8 FUND** (Assessment scanning) in the amount of \$5,591.19.

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

**MOTION:** by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve payment from **PC EMPLOYEES' HEALTH INS. FUND** in the amount of \$82,037.64.

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

**MOTION:** by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Hummel, to approve exonerations as presented by Cynthia Gehris, Tax Claim Bureau Director.

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

#### **PERSONNEL**

**MOTION:** by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to transfer **KELLY RODEMICH** from part time Administrative Assistant to full time Program Assistant/Gypsy Moth Coordinator in the Conservation District Office, for a 40 hour work week, effective September 26, 2011, with benefits after 90 days. This is a replacement position.

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

**Motion:** by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Hummel, to recess the Commissioners' Meeting to hold a Salary Board Meeting.

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

**A SALARY BOARD MEETING WAS HELD.**

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

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

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**MOTION:** by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to reject the bid and re-advertise for bids for the Promethean Institute Roof Repair Project, as the bid received exceeds the allowable budget for this project.

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

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**MOTION:** by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to adopt Resolution No. 11-26, March of Dimes, Delaware River March for Babies, October 2, 2011, which was read by Commissioner Hummel. Joseph Biondo, Jr. spoke on early warning signs and issues for premature births.

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

**MOTION:** by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Hummel, to approve the letters of support for the following townships for their grant applications to DCED through the Local Share Assessment Fund: Porter Township for a new municipal building, and Palmyra Township for the development of the Lake Wallenpaupack Veterans Memorial Park.

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

**MOTION:** by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve the letter of support for the Monroe County Local Share Account Gaming Grant Application of the Pike County Economic Development Authority for the Pike County Business Park Project.

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

**MOTION:** by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Hummel to authorize the Chairman to execute the JAG (Justice Assistance Grant) Local Jurisdiction Waiver through PCCD, on behalf of the Juvenile Probation Office.

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

**MOTION:** by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to execute the Purchase of Service Agreement between Families United Network, Inc. for FY 2011-12, on behalf of Children & Youth Services.

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

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

1. First Veterans Forum, Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #623 and American Legion Post #139, on Saturday, October 1 from 1 pm to 3:30 pm to assist veterans and answer questions pertaining to issues with veteran programs and benefits.
2. Pike County residents may apply for a SBA loan for damages caused by Hurricane Irene by calling 800-659-2955. Pike County has been declared a disaster area by FEMA for municipalities, but not individuals.
3. The Financial Benefits of Land Conservation program at PPL Environmental Learning Center, on Wednesday September 28 from 7 pm to 9 pm to discuss conservation easements.
4. Wood Walk: The Future of Your Forest at the Schoonover Residence in Bushkill, on Saturday September 24 from 9 am to 12 pm. for forest land owners to optimize their property.
5. Forestry Field Days: Wildlife & Forest Ecosystem, at Promise Land State Park, on Friday October 21 from 8 am to 12 pm.
6. Forestry Field Days: Financial Planning for Your Forest, Location TBD, on Tuesday, November 15 from 6:30 pm to 9 pm.

*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 28, 2011, AT 9:00 A.M., AT THE PIKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.**