

Commissioners' Board Meeting Minutes May 7, 2015

The Berks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, May 7, 2015, at 10:00 A.M. in the Boardroom on the 13th floor of the Berks County Services Center, pursuant to due notice to Board members and the public.

Commissioner Chair Christian Y. Leinbach called the meeting to order with Commissioner Kevin S. Barnhardt and Commissioner Mark C. Scott in attendance. Also present were First Assistant County Solicitor Christine M. Sadler, Chief Operating Officer Carl E. Geffken and Chief Clerk Maryjo Gibson.

Commissioner Leinbach opened the meeting with a moment of silence and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of April 30, 2015 Commissioners' Board Meeting were approved as presented.

Agenda Items

1. A motion was made by Commissioner Barnhardt, seconded by Commissioner Scott and all voted unanimously to approve the items listed below. Commissioner Leinbach reported there was an Executive Session held Monday, May 4, 2015 to discuss litigation.

121.15 Adopt a resolution authorizing 2015 Budget Transfers in the amount of \$63,161.00 and 2015 Appropriations in the amount of \$36,875.00 per listing dated May 4, 2015.

122.15 Adopt a resolution authorizing Human Resources Recommendations per listing dated May 7, 2015 as follows:

1. Authorize the promotion of Shelia Arnold from PC011097 Fiscal Officer – Mental Health/Developmental Disabilities to PC011102 Fiscal Manager – Children and Youth Services, effective 5/13/15. Rate of \$58,000/annually. Salary range Minimum \$42,169; Midpoint \$56,225; Maximum \$70,282. Replacement for Michelle Fronheiser who separated. This request meets the criteria of the Hiring Policy. Budget 22000 – 23200.
2. Authorize the appointment of Shawn Clark to PC012933 Financial Analyst – Office of Budget and Finance, effective 5/20/15. Rate of \$47,000/annually. Salary range Minimum \$34,064; Midpoint \$45,419; Maximum \$56,773. Replacement

for Daniel Shervin who separated. This request meets the criteria of the Hiring Policy. Budget 10000 – 11400.

3. Authorize the appointment of Jonathan Fritz to PC012339 Special Operations and Projects Officer – Department of Emergency Services, effective 5/20/2015. Rate of \$47,000/annually. Salary range Minimum \$43,877; Midpoint \$58,502; Maximum \$73,128. Replacement for Scott Mildren who transferred. This request meets the criteria of the Hiring Policy. Budget 10000 – 16020.

- 123.15 Adopt a resolution authorizing the award and the Director of Contracts and Procurement to execute, four contracts as result of ITB #15-04-JRPB, Food Provisions for a period of six (6) months for the Jail System, Residential Center and Berks Heim as identified herein:

Benjamin Foods
1001 South York Road
Hatboro, PA 19070

Line Items –

1,7,9,10,12,20,25,30,31,34,36,39,40,42,43,49,50,51,52,53,56,59,60,61,65,66,67,70,71,75,,77,81,82,83,87,90,91,108,109,112,116,118,119,120,122,123,126,127,128,129,131,133,134,135,136,137,138,139,140,141,143,144,145,147,148,149,152,153,154,156,159,164,165,168,169,170,172,173,174,177,179,180,181,183,184,189,190,194,195,196,197,198

Estimated Six Month Expenditure \$266,920.69

Karetas Foods Inc.
1012 Tuckerton Court
Reading, PA 19605

Line Items –

2,3,4,5,6,8,11,13,14,15,16,17,18,21,22,23,24,26,27,28,29,32,33,35,38,54,55,57,58,68,72,73,74,76,78,79,80,84,86,88,92,93,94,95,96,97,98,99,100,101,102,103,104,105,106,107,110,113,114,115,121,124,125,132,142,146,150,151,155,157,158,160,161,162,163,166,167,171,175,176,178,182,185,186,187,188,191,192,193,4H,7H,12H,13H,16H,41H,46H,47H,3B,6B,7B,8B,9B,10B,11B,12B,13B,14B,15B,16B,19B,20B,21B,22B,23B,25B,26B,27B,29B,30B,31B,32B,33B,34B,35B,39B,40B,41B,54B,59B,60B,62B,63B,72B,85B,88B,89B,90B,91B,92B,93B,94B

Estimated Six Month Expenditure \$233,126.78

National Food Group d/b/a CSV Sales
46820 Magellan DR Ste A
Novi, MI 48377

Line Items – 41,85

Estimated Six Month Expenditure \$35,553.95

Bernard Foods
169 S Railroad Street
Hummelstown, PA 17036
Line Items – 62,63,64
Estimated Six Month Expenditure \$9,644.00

- 124.15 Adopt a resolution authorizing execution of Amendment No. 6 to the HealthChoices Behavioral Health Agreement No. 4100056426 between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Human Services (f/k/a Department of Public Welfare) and the County of Berks, which amends the Program Standards and Requirement to comply with requirement of Medicaid Expansion and revises Appendix 1 and Appendix 7 to the Program Standards and Requirements concerning Reinvestment Sharing and sharing risk between the Commonwealth and the County. This Amendment is effective January 1, 2015. Dr. Ed Michalik attended the meeting and was asked by Commissioner Leinbach to present and discuss this matter. Dr. Michalik commented that Governor Wolfe made some changes to certain requirements of Healthy PA instituted by former Governor Corbett, and the change gives a little extra funding to this program. Dr. Michalik stated they will monitor the situation due to a concern with some of the rates and report any concerns to DHS and the Board.
- 125.15 Adopt a resolution authorizing the reappointment of Heather Schoener, Blandon, Pennsylvania, to the Berks County Parks and Recreation Board for a four (4) year term expiring March 10, 2018.
- 126.15 Adopt a resolution authorizing the reappointment of Robert Moore, Reading, Pennsylvania to the Berks County Parks and Recreation Board for a four (4) year term expiring March 10, 2018.
2. Motion authorizing Christian Y. Leinbach as Chairman of the Board, to execute Contract Agreements/Amendments as furnished by the Contract Coordinator, per listing dated May 5, 2015. Commissioner Leinbach reported there was 2 contracts and referenced the departments. There were actually 3 contracts listed on the Agenda.
3. Motion to authorize payments set forth on Controller's Office vouchers payable listing dated May 5, 2015 for week ending May 6, 2015 and the payment of electronic transfers and employee payroll.

Reports

1. County Treasurer A. Dennis Adams, CPA submitted a prepared weekly Treasurer's report.

2. The Controller's weekly report was presented by County Controller Sandy Graffius.

REPORTS OF CHIEF OPERATING OFFICE/CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

1. Carl E. Geffken had no report this week.
2. Robert J. Patrizio reported there will be a discussion with the Sheriff's Department concerning maintaining their wage budget inclusive of the overtime limits imposed; a discussion and revisit of restraints of prisoners in prison transport vehicles as a result of the recent incident in Baltimore, and a follow-up discussion on the initial proposal of management of the Wastewater Treatment Facility.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Barnhardt publicly thanked Governor Wolfe for being in Berks County yesterday at Lorane Elementary School in the Exeter School District to speak about his education plans and his funding requests. Commissioner Barnhardt reported there will be a ceremony next Monday for the reopening of the Berne Station Bridge, and next Tuesday afternoon an Open House at Camp Joy, which is now operated by COCA in conjunction with the YMCA. Commissioner Barnhardt stated the facility was repurposed for transitional housing.

Commissioner Scott commented he was recently invited by Kelly Ackerman, a teacher at Fleetwood High School, to speak to her class about business leadership and ethics. Commissioner Scott commented this week he received about 12 to 15 thank you letters from the students and found a lot of the letters touching and well thought out. Commissioner Scott mentioned he explained the complexities of county government and gave a fair representation of what it's like being in county government.

Commissioner Leinbach thanked members of the House delegation from Berks County that voted in favor of the 911 legislation. Commissioner Leinbach commented he feels the Senate will support the legislation and hopes the House will vote in concurrence. Commissioner Leinbach encouraged viewers to call their State Senators to ask them to vote in favor of the \$2.00 fee.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Jared Isaacs, a Boyertown resident, attended the meeting to speak about the recent acquisition of the Boyertown Rail Yard. Mr. Isaacs thanked the Commissioners for their interest in revitalizing Boyertown, but expressed displeasure with the parking situation, in that it will be used exclusively by the Railroad. Mr. Isaacs commented he has used that parking area for about 15 years for free and will most likely have to vacate the area. Mr. Isaacs opined that loss of parking could also be detrimental to the economic revitalization. Ken Pick, Executive Director of the Berks County Redevelopment Authority, and Nathaniel Guest, President of the Colebrookdale Railroad Preservation Trust, were in attendance, and Mr. Pick reported that when the Authority purchased the

property there were valid leases for the parking lot, and those leases are being honored. Mr. Pick informed Mr. Isaacs that the Authority might consider in the future whether accommodations for any public parking can be made.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:26 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maryjo Gibson, Chief Clerk