

Commissioners' Board Meeting Minutes May 26, 2016

The Berks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, May 26, 2016, 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 Vice Chair Kevin S. Barnhardt called the meeting to order with Commissioner Mark C. Scott in attendance. Commissioner Leinbach participated via conference call. Also present were First Assistant County Solicitor Matthew Kloiber and Chief Clerk Maryjo Gibson.

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

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Barnhardt called for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2016 Commissioners' Board Meeting. At this time Commissioner Mark requested to amend a portion of his comments regarding Fred Eyrich, asking instead of stating Mr. Eyrich was *well known in the Oley/Yellow House area*, to Fred Eyrich served as an Oley Township Supervisor. Commissioner Scott then motioned to approve the Minutes as presented with the modification to his statements. Commissioner Leinbach seconded the motion, and all voted unanimously to approve the Minutes as presented.

Agenda Items

1. A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to approve the Agenda as published. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Leinbach and all voted unanimously to approve the items listed below:
 - 148.16 Adopt a resolution authorizing 2015 Budget Transfers in the amount of \$8,900.00, 2016 Budget Transfers in the amount of \$20,000.00 and 2016 Appropriations in the amount of \$130,379.00 per listing dated May 24, 2016.
 - 149.16 Adopt a resolution authorizing the award and the Director of Contracts & Procurement to execute one contract as a result of Request for Proposal #16-05-CN for the Registered Nursing Services for the Berks County Area Agency on Aging as follows:
 - Regional Cooperative, LLC**
 - DBA Blair Senior Services, Inc.
 - 1320 Twelfth Avenue
 - Altoona, PA 16601
 - Service: Registered Nurse –
 - Year 1 hourly rate: \$40.01
 - Year 2 hourly rate: \$40.01*

Year 3 hourly rate: \$40.01*

The Agreement resulting from the award of this RFP will be for a set fee amount and shall not exceed \$35,000.00 for Year 1. At the discretion of the County, the County and Vendor may negotiate an increase in the rate for Year 2 and Year 3 however the ability to do so is dependent upon OPTIONS spending money and Block Grant allocations to the County of Berks as well as PDA approval, for each respective fiscal year.

- 150.16 Adopt a resolution authorizing the award and the Director of Contracts & Procurement to execute as a result of Invitation to Bid #16-18-KO a contract for the Phillips Bridge Superstructure Replacement Project as identified herein:

DESCCO Design & Construction, Inc.

1 Willow Street Industrial Park

Fleetwood, PA 19522

Total Amount: \$577,550.35

- 151.16 Adopt a resolution authorizing the award and Director of Contracts and Procurement to execute as a result of Invitation to Bid # 16-07-KS, a one year contract for Medical Supplies to be utilized by Berks Heim, Coroner, Adult Probation, Juvenile Probation, and the Sheriff's department as follows:

Manheim Medical Supply, Inc.

13 N. Main St

Manheim, PA 17545

Estimated Annual Expenditure: \$86,278.30

The County of Berks reserves the right to extend for two additional one year terms in accordance with the terms of the agreement, upon mutual agreement of both parties.

- 152.16 Adopt a resolution authorizing the appointment of Alan Carman, Wyomissing, Pennsylvania to the Reading Public Library Board of Trustees for a five (5) year term expiring December 31, 2021. This is a Board of Commissioners joint appointment and is a vacant position.

- 153.16 Adopt a resolution authorizing the Chief Clerk to advertise enactment of proposed County Ordinance No. 02-2016 authorizing Berks County, on behalf of the Berks County Jail System ("Jail"), to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of Berks and the County of Schuylkill for the purpose of utilizing space at the Jail for the commitment of pre-sentenced and post-sentenced male and female inmates from Schuylkill County at a per diem rate of \$60.00.

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 24, 2016. Commissioner Barnhardt reported there are 4 contracts and referenced the departments.
3. Motion to authorize payments set forth on Controller's Office vouchers payable listing dated May 24, 2016 for week ending May 25, 2016 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.

REPORT OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

1. Robert J. Patrizio reported there is not a Budget meeting this afternoon, but reported the scheduled IGT transfer to the State for the Berks Heim should go out tomorrow.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Barnhardt commented the last year and half the County has had the Blighted Property Review Committee, which he is the Commissioner representative, and reported this past Tuesday, May 24th, the Committee held a public hearing and identified seven properties that are in the process of blight in various boroughs and townships throughout the County. Commissioner Barnhardt was pleased to report that two folks who attended the hearing expressed their desire to repair and rehabilitate their properties. Commissioner Barnhardt announced this coming Monday, May 30th is Memorial Day and encouraged everyone to try to get to one observance honoring those who served our Country.

Commissioner Scott commented he is looking forward to riding the Colebrookdale Railroad train this evening for the Redevelopment Authority meeting where hors d'oeuvres will be served, followed by dinner at Gracie's in Douglas Township. Commissioner Scott commented on the recent announcement on the loss of approximately 150 banking jobs in the Boyertown area as a result of the merger between BB&T Bank and National Penn Bank. Commissioner Scott talked about the banking industry and the high volume of government regulations which creates burdens on the banks that often result in mergers, closures and the elimination of jobs.

Commissioner Leinbach commented this morning the Commissioners each received a communication from the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services regarding a recent article about the inability of ChildLine to handle calls, and it appears this is due entirely to the new Sandusky Law. Commissioner Leinbach reported there has been a 62%

increase in calls into ChildLine and over 40% of people that contacted ChildLine got dropped. Commissioner Leinbach mentioned the State is hiring additional staff and trying to review policies.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Sandy Graffius, County Controller mentioned that two recent County employees came from National Penn Bank; one the Deputy Treasurer and an auditor in the Controllers' Office.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:17 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maryjo Gibson, Chief Clerk