

Commissioners' Board Meeting Minutes July 18, 2013

The Berks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, July 18, 2013, 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. Also present were Solicitor Alan Miller and Chief Clerk Maryjo Gibson. Commissioner Barnhardt announced Commissioner Leinbach was attending the NACO conference in Texas and Carl Geffken was on vacation.

Commissioner Vice Chair Barnhardt opened the meeting with a moment of silence and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and announced there was an Executive Session held Monday, July 15, 2013 to discuss the Kaercher Creek lease agreement, compensation, computer internet use and severance packages.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of July 11, 2013 Commissioners' Board Meeting were approved as presented.

Agenda Items

1. A motion was made by Commissioner Scott, seconded by Commissioner Barnhardt and all voted unanimously to approve the items listed below:
 - 207.13 Adopt a resolution authorizing 2013 Budget Transfers in the amount of \$1,175,554.00 and 2013 Appropriations in the amount of \$16,815.00 per listing dated July 15, 2013. Robert Patrizio commented that \$900,000.00 of the \$1,575,000.00 budget transfers is to create new account strings for federal programs for better accounting and reporting. Mr. Patrizio further commented that at the Budget meeting this afternoon the Commissioners will discuss bridge program updates and district justice office locations.
 - 208.13 Adopt a resolution authorizing Kevin S. Barnhardt, Vice Chair, to execute the letter of acceptance to the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency for Berks County Intermediate Punishment Grant, Berks County 2013-14 D7A RIP (2013-IP-SD-24587) for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.
 - 209.13 Adopt a resolution authorizing Kevin S. Barnhardt, Vice Chair, to execute a letter to Dewberry Engineers Inc., 101 Noble Boulevard, Carlisle, PA 17013-4109 granting a transfer of funds

in the amount of \$10,636.26 to balance the final tally of professional services rendered by the Engineer and its subconsultants for the Preliminary Engineering and Final Design phases of the Berne Station Bridge Replacement Project. This proposed transfer of funds results in no net increase to the value of the agreement and has been reviewed and endorsed by the County's contracted bridge engineer.

- 210.13 Adopt a resolution authorizing Kevin S. Barnhardt, Vice Chair, to execute a Letter of Understanding between the County of Berks and Muhlenberg Township as it pertains to the interaction between the Township's storm sewer reconstruction work and the County's Temple Bridge Superstructure Rehabilitation Project. The Letter sets forth the terms by which the County shall reimburse the Township for costs associated with the portion of the Township's storm sewer reconstruction work located within the limits of the County's project. The Letter also serves to provide the Township with access to the right-of-way to be acquired by the County for the construction of the Temple Bridge Superstructure Rehabilitation Project as shown on the prevailing right-of-way plans. The sum to be reimbursed to the Township for this work will be based on unit prices and field measured quantities in the estimated amount of \$32,706.50.
- 211.13 Adopt a resolution authorizing execution of the Access Easement Agreement between The Hamburg Municipal Authority and the County of Berks which provides the County access to the Albany tower site over the property of the Hamburg Municipal Authority's land in regard to the Public Safety Radio System.
- 212.13 Adopt a resolution authorizing execution of the Tower and Ground Space Lease between Bible Broadcasting Network, Inc. and the County of Berks for use of land and tower site space situate in Centre Township for placement of communications equipment in regard to the Public Safety Radio System.
- 213.13 Adopt a resolution authorizing execution of the Stormwater Controls and Best Management Practices Operations and Maintenance Agreement between the County of Berks and the Township of Cumru and the Mohnton Fish and Game Protective Association which provides ownership and maintenance of the stormwater controls being implemented as part of the Cumru Radio Tower site in regard to the Public Safety Radio System.
- 214.13 Adopt a resolution authorizing execution of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency State Fiscal Year 2013-14 Radiation Emergency Response Fund Grant Agreement between

Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA) and the County of Berks in the amount of \$32,955.00 to be used for the development of a detailed fixed nuclear emergency response plan for areas surrounding nuclear electric generation facilities.

- 215.13 Adopt a resolution authorizing the reappointment of Jon C. Scott, Wyomissing, Pennsylvania to the Reading Area Community College Board of Trustees for a six (6) year term ending June 30, 2019.
 - 216.13 Adopt a resolution authorizing the appointment of Guido Pichini, Wyomissing, Pennsylvania to the Reading Area Community College Board of Trustees for a six (6) year term ending June 30, 2019. Mr. Pichini will replace Jeanne C. Hey whose term has expired.
2. Motion authorizing Kevin S. Barnhardt, Vice Chairman of the Board, to execute Contract Agreements/Amendments as furnished by the Contract Coordinator, per listing dated July 15, 2013. Commissioner Barnhardt commented there are 10 contracts and referenced the departments. Commissioner Barnhardt commented on the contract with Mission Critical Partners for the Department of Emergency Services to conduct a detailed assessment of regional emergency call handling capabilities with surrounding counties, stating it shows there is still cooperation in the Commonwealth.
 3. Motion to authorize payments set forth on Controller's Office vouchers listing dated July 16, 2013 for the week ending July 17, 2013.

Reports

1. County Treasurer Nelson Long, 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 was on vacation.
2. Robert J. Patrizio reported earlier in the meeting.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Barnhardt read excerpts from a letter the Board of Commissioners received from a daughter of a Berks Heim resident praising the employees of the Berks Heim for the professionalism and wonderful care her mother received and for the cleanliness of the facility.

Commissioner Scott had no comments today.

Commissioner Leinbach was absent.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Frederick Sheeler, Berks County Recorder of Deeds, reported on the tour of the Sheeler Home located at Berks Leisure Area he organized and conducted last Tuesday evening. Mr. Sheeler commented there were about 70 people who turned out for the event.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:15 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maryjo Gibson, Chief Clerk