Commissioners' Board Meeting October 11, 2007

The Berks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, October 11, 2007, at 10:30 A.M. in the Board meeting room on the thirteenth floor of the Berks County Services Center, pursuant to due notice to Board members and the public.

Commissioner Chair Judith L. Schwank called the meeting to order with Commissioner Thomas Gajewski and Commissioner Mark C. Scott in attendance. Also present were the Chief Clerk Terry L. Styer, County Solicitor Alan Miller, Esq., and County Administrator William F. Dennis

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

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Scott made a motion that was seconded by Commissioner Gajewski to approve the September 25, and October 2, 2007 Commissioners' Workshop and September 27, and October 4, 2007 Commissioners' Meeting minutes noting that Commissioner Schwank was abstaining from the vote on the meeting of the 25th as she was not in attendance; all voted yes to approve.

Consent Agenda Items

- 1. A motion was made by Commissioner Gajewski, seconded by Commissioner Scott and all voted unanimously to approve the items listed below:
 - Adopt a resolution authorizing 2007 Budget Transfers in the amount of \$12,000 and 2007 Budget Appropriations in the amount of \$724,900 per listing dated October 5, 2007.
 - 287.07 B. Human Resource Recommendations per list dated October 9, 2007
 - 288.07 C. Adopt a resolution authorizing a matching payment from the County's Environmental Defense Fund to Richmond Township for attorney fees, expert witness fees and expenses in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 to assist the Township in the Zoning Appeal proceedings concerning Lehigh Cement Richmond Quarry #5.

- 289.07 D. Adopt Resolution authorizing Judith L. Schwank, Chair of the Berks County Board of Commissioners to sign the following Grant Recipient's Release, Assignment of Refunds, Rebates and Credits, Closeout Tax Certification" for the following WIA Grants for Berks County Employment and Training Office:
 - 015044051- WIA Rapid Response funds to assist individuals affected by plant closings or downsizing
 - 015056519- Incumbent Worker grant to train individuals for occupations in the medical field
 - 015062101- To cover DPW's contribution to the CareerLink
 - 015066519- Incumbent Worker grant to train individuals for occupations in the medical field.
 - 015064131- WIA funds used to pay for renovations at the CareerLink
 - 015063001- WIA Adult funds to pay for training and employment services to economically disadvantaged adults
 - 015056131- State grant for entrepreneurial training.
 - 015056233- Industry Partnership to address skill needs in the building trades.
 - 015056239- Industry Partnership to address skill needs in the medical field
 - 015056033- State Activity funds to provide upgrade training.
 - 015053134- PA Career Education Partnership Program- to provide labor market info to school districts.
- 2. Motion authorizing execution of Contract Agreements/ Amendments as furnished by the Contract Coordinator, per listing dated October 5, 2007.

Miscellaneous Business:

A discussion regarding the ongoing Cancer Cluster Study funding by the Count resulted in a decision for a conference call with Dr. Gibb of Sciences International Inc.

Reports

- 1. County Treasurer Administrator Dennis read the weekly report as prepared by Nelson Long, CPA
- 2. County Controller Sandy Graffius, Controller read her weekly report.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:46 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry L. Styer, Chief Clerk