

Commissioners' Board Meeting February 12, 2009

The Berks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, February 12, 2009, 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 Mark C. Scott called the meeting to order with Commissioner Christian Leinbach and Commissioner Kevin Barnhardt in attendance. Also present were the Chief Clerk Terry L. Styer, County Solicitor Alan Miller, Esq., and County Administrator William E. Dennis.

Commissioner Scott opened the meeting with a moment of silence and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. He reported that there would be an executive session for litigation purposes held immediately following this meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Barnhardt made a motion that was seconded by Commissioner Leinbach to approve the February 3, 2009 Commissioner workshop minutes and the February 5, 2009 Commissioners meeting minutes, all voted yes to approve.

Consent Agenda Items

1. A motion was made by Commissioner Leinbach, seconded by Commissioner Barnhardt, and all voted unanimously to approve the items listed below:
 - 27.09 A. Resolution authorizing 2008 Budget Transfers in the amount of \$7,428, 2008 Appropriations in the amount \$914,544 and Oracle related transactions per listing dated February 6, 2009.
 - 28.09 B. Resolution authorizing the execution of a grant amendment between the County of Berks and the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission for a Keystone Historic Preservation Grant which has been reduced from \$90,000 to \$77,063 for the restoration of the Gruber Wagon Works.
 - 30.09 D. Resolution re-appointing Stanley H. Kita, Jr., Hamburg, PA, to the Council on Chemical Abuse Board for a three year term ending 2/1/2012.
 - 31.09 E. Resolution to approve the revised payment schedule to the PERF (Police Executive Research Forum) Berks County Policing Study Billing Benchmark schedule approved by Resolution 185-08. The revisions reflect redistribution to the payment schedule and will not change the contract amount of \$96,984.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Barnhardt, seconded by Commissioner Leinbach, to approve Resolution 29.09. Commissioners Scott and Barnhardt voted yes, while Commissioner Leinbach voted *no, and the resolution was approved.

- 29.09 C. Resolution authorizing the Berks County Conservation District to oversee and coordinate all local environmental advisory councils and associations and further, to rescind any prior resolutions inconsistent with this newly granted authority.
*Commissioner Leinbach reiterated that he feels that this is a duplication of efforts as he stated at Tuesday's meeting.
2. Motion authorizing Mark C. Scott, as Chairman of the Board, to execute Contract Agreements/Amendments as furnished by the Contract Coordinator, per attached listing dated February 9, 2009.
 3. Motion to approve payments set forth on disbursement voucher lists # 1355 and 2338 dated February 10, 2009, for the Community Development Block Grant Program, and the Property Rehabilitation Program as administered by the Berks County Community Development Office.
 4. Motion to ratify and confirm payments set forth on Controller's Office vouchers listing dated February 12, 2009, as previously authorized by instructions issued February 12, 2009.

Reports

1. County Treasurer Nelson Long, CPA presented the weekly Treasurer's report.
2. County Controller Sandy Graffius presented the weekly Controller's report.

Commissioner Scott noted that he presented a Proclamation declaring February 15-21 as Engineer's Week.

Commissioner Barnhardt reported that two public meetings have been scheduled for input from the public regarding the policing study. They will be held on March 10th at 6:30 PM in the Fleetwood High School auditorium and on March 12th at 6:30 PM in the County Services Center auditorium.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:50 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry L. Styer, Chief Clerk