

Commissioners' Board Meeting Minutes March 1, 2018

The Berks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, March 1, 2018, 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 County Solicitor Christine M. Sadler, Chief Administrative Officer Ronald R. Seaman and Chief Clerk Maryjo Gibson.

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

Commissioner Leinbach announced there was an Executive Session held yesterday, February 28, 2018 to discuss contract negotiations, personnel and real estate.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of February 28, 2018 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:
 - 63.18 Adopt a resolution authorizing 2017 Budget Transfers in the amount of \$57,875; 2017 Appropriations in the amount of \$126,797; 2018 Budget Transfers in the amount of \$39,200 and 2018 Appropriations in the amount of \$420,980 per listing dated February 26, 2018.
 - 64.18 Adopt a resolution authorizing Terence Brennan, Administrator at the Berks Heim Nursing and Rehabilitation, to execute the 2018-2019 PELICAN Renewal Quotation for the Berks Heim Nursing and Rehabilitation Liability and MCARE Assessment Program presented by EH&D through the Pelican Insurance Program and administered by CCAP ("County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania").
 - 65.18 Adopt a resolution authorizing Human Resources Recommendations per listing dated March 1, 2018 as follows:
 1. Authorize the appointment of Andrew Wenger to Temporary Detective – District Attorney's Office,

effective 3/7/2018. Rate of \$35.85/hour. The Temporary position will provide coverage until the hiring of a full-time Detective, at which time, the Temporary position will be eliminated. This request meets the criteria of the Hiring Policy. Budget 10000 – 11580.

2. Authorize the appointment of Amy McKnight to Interim Director of Nursing – Berks Heim Nursing Administration, effective 3/3/2018. Rate of \$91,946/annually. The working out of classification compensation will cease on 3/21/2018 which is the expected start date of the newly appointed Director of Nursing. The 2 week interim appointment is a requirement of the State of Pennsylvania Department of Health. Replacement for Cheryl Munro who retired. Budget 53000 – 33390.

- 66.18 Adopt a resolution authorizing Christian Y. Leinbach, Commissioner Chair, to execute the Capital Blue Cross Group Administrative Services Contracts for 2018.
- 67.18 Adopt a resolution authorizing Christian Y. Leinbach, Chair, to execute Addendum No. 1 for the purpose of adding additional terms to the previously executed Agreement of Sale and Temporary Easement associated with the Fisher Mill Road/Manatawny Bridge Replacement Project (County Bridge 58B), Oley Township, Pennsylvania.
- 68.18 Adopt a resolution authorizing Ryan C. Hunter, Director of Facilities & Operations, to electronically execute Letter of Amendment 3 to the General Reimbursement Agreement for Federal Aid Projects (No. R15050004-3) between the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) and the County of Berks for the Hartz Mill Bridge Superstructure Replacement Project, County Bridge 38A, Caernarvon Township. This amendment increases the total project costs to \$2,008,000 to incorporate the costs for construction into the overall funding for the project.
- 69.18 Adopt a resolution authorizing the Chief Clerk to advertise enactment of proposed County Ordinance No. 02-2018, delegating to the Secretary of Transportation the County's authority to acquire Right-of-Ways necessary for the Gibraltar Road a/k/a Althouse Mill Bridge (45A) replacement project.

- 70.18 Adopt a resolution authorizing Justin Loose, Chief Information Officer, to execute the agreement letter with Kroll Cyber Security, LLC, New York, NY, to provide forensic services.
2. Motion authorizing execution of Contract Agreements/Amendments as furnished by the Contract Coordinator per listing dated March 27, 2018. Commissioner Leinbach reported there are 10 contracts and referenced the departments.
 3. Motion to authorize payments set forth on Controller's Office vouchers payable listing dated March 27, 2018 for week ending March 28, 2018 and the payment of electronic transfers and employee payroll.

Reports

1. County Treasurer A. Dennis Adams, CPA, was absent. Linda Weaver, Deputy Treasurer, submitted the prepared weekly Treasurer's report.
2. The Controller's weekly report was presented by County Controller Sandy Graffius.

REPORT OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Robert J. Patrizio reported the Budget Meeting will begin at 2:00 p.m. and there will be a HIPPA Assessment update, a discussion on a request by Lower Alsace Township to restructure their debt regarding Antietam Lake, and a Parks update focusing on its mission, programming and the Angora Fruit Farm Barn.

REPORT OF CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Ronald R. Seaman announced tomorrow, March 2nd, is the deadline for voting on the videos submitted by 8th grade students from 24 different schools in Berks and Schuylkill counties in the 2nd Annual *What's So Cool About Manufacturing Contest* sponsored by the Manufacturing Resource Center. The winners will be announced at the Awards Ceremony Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at the DoubleTree Hotel in Reading.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Barnhardt

Commissioner Barnhardt wished Commissioner Leinbach a Happy Birthday.

Commissioner Scott

Commissioner Scott also wished Commissioner Leinbach Happy Birthday, and hopes he enjoys his last year in his 50s.

Commissioner Scott heard an interesting fact on NPR, where it was reported in states that have legalized marijuana, pedestrian deaths are up 16%.

Commissioner Scott announced there is a very interesting musical event happening this Saturday, March 3, 2018, at the Scottish Rite Cathedral by the Reading Symphony Orchestra called Soaring Strings.

Commissioner Leinbach

Commissioner Leinbach announced he will be attending the NACo Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C. tomorrow through next Wednesday, March 7, 2018, dealing with a number of important issues. Commissioner Leinbach will be meeting with a number of Administration Secretaries, and will attend an infrastructure briefing on Capitol Hill Tuesday. Commissioner Leinbach reported for the first time nationally, he will be submitting a resolution dealing with funding requests relative to the Farm Bill regarding the spotted lanternfly.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Patrick Murray, Shillington, attended the meeting and thanked Commissioner Leinbach and Commissioner Barnhardt for supporting the Black Balloon Benefit dinner March 12th at the Wyomissing Family Restaurant.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:28 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maryjo Gibson, Chief Clerk