

Commissioners' Board Meeting Minutes May 5, 2016

The Berks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, May 5, 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 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 and Chief Clerk Maryjo Gibson.

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

Presentation

George Vogel, Executive Director of Berks County Council on Chemical Abuse, Kris McFadden, President and Chief Executive Officer of Teen Challenge, Joel Jakubowski also with Teen Challenge, Yvonne Strohman from COCA, Jodi Holland, Executive Director of Easy Does-It, and Jennifer Kaucher from COCA attended the meeting to present information on the Drug Forum Conference titled "*The Science & Hope and Addressing Addiction*" that will be held Saturday, May 14, 2016 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the School of Health Sciences, Reading Health System, 2015 Old Wyomissing Road, Reading.

Mr. Vogel reported this is the second year of presenting this type of forum to the community and there are a number of partners who will present workshops, forums and discussions for the person who might be suffering from addiction and their family, friends and the community to educate them and anyone else who would like to understand and know how to deal with addiction. It is family and community based event and is an opportunity of providing a sense of hope to the person suffering from addiction. Mr. McFadden commented he is excited for this event as he is a living example of someone who has lived through the addiction cycle and will be telling his story. Ms. Strohman, Ms. Holland, Mr. Jokubowski and Ms. Kaucher shared a little of what their roles will be at the event.

Commissioner Leinbach reported there were two Executive Sessions held prior to last weeks' meeting that were missed, one April 20th and one April 22nd both dealing with personnel and litigation. Commissioner Leinbach reported an Executive Session was held yesterday, May 4th to discuss personnel and litigation.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of April 28, 2016 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:
 - 123.16 Adopt a resolution authorizing 2016 Budget Transfers in the amount of \$91,000.00 and 2016 Appropriations in the amount of \$1,237,923.00 per listing dated May 3, 2016.
 - 124.16 Adopt a resolution authorizing Human Resources Recommendations per listing dated May 5, 2016 as follows:
 1. Authorize the appointment of Kenny Lebron to PC013186 Deputy Director of Veterans Affairs – Veterans Affairs Department, effective 5/18/16. Rate of \$48,000/annually. Salary range Minimum \$40,749; Midpoint \$54,333; Maximum \$67,916. Replacement for Richard Dumancas who separated. This request meets the criteria of the Hiring Policy. Budget 10000 – 16030.
 - 125.16 Adopt a resolution authorizing execution of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the United Food and Commercial Workers Union and the County of Berks, d/b/a Berks Heim Nursing & Rehabilitation, effective January 1, 2016 and expiring December 31, 2019, representing non-nursing staff at the Berks Heim.
 - 126.16 Adopt a resolution authorizing execution of Agreement No. EA-178463-16 between the County of Berks and McCormick Taylor, Inc., Exton, Pennsylvania to provide engineering services and a detailed design study for the rehabilitation of Zettlemoyer's Bridge (46G), Long Road over Maiden Creek, Greenwich Township, Berks County at a not to exceed amount of \$168,118.00 excluding reimbursable expenses not to exceed \$1,500.00.
 - 127.16 Adopt a resolution authorizing Christian Y. Leinbach, Chair, to execute the Official Use System Map Delivery and Non-Disclosure Agreement (Governmental Agency) between the County of Berks ("County") and Pennsylvania-American Water Company ("PAAW"), Voorhees, New Jersey, for use by the County of certain mapping information from PAAW in emergency services and response, planning and other related activities.
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 3, 2016. Commissioner Leinbach reported there are 6 contracts and referenced the departments.

3. Motion to authorize payments set forth on Controller's Office vouchers payable listing dated May 3, 2016 for week ending May 5, 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 Deputy Controller Ronald Rutkowski.

REPORT OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

There was no report today from Mr. Patrizio.

Commissioner Leinbach reported there would be an Operations Meeting this afternoon to discuss the Prothonotary's response to the PFM report; the Jail Conditions Assessment Report and the RFP Process recommendations from Information Systems, the Solicitor and Purchasing.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Barnhardt remarked this is National Corrections Officers and Employees Week which was designated by President Reagan in 1984, and reported last evening there was a Memorial Service and Recognition Dinner held at the Berks County Agricultural Center. Commissioner Barnhardt reported there was a large group in attendance. Commissioner Barnhardt reported the Keynote speaker was Secretary John Wetzel of the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections, whose roots are with the Berks County Jail System, and Corrections Officer Jasmin Brown delivered *A Message from the Front Line*. Commissioner Barnhardt complimented the Jail staff as hardworking dedicated people and they are making a difference. Commissioner Barnhardt encouraged everyone to make an effort to attend next year's event.

Commissioner Scott had no additional comments.

Commissioner Leinbach reported that this is also National Small Business Week and shared information and statistics from the Small Business Administration.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

There was no public comment today.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:35 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maryjo Gibson, Chief Clerk