

Commissioners' Board Meeting Minutes May 21, 2015

The Berks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, May 28, 2015, 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. Commissioner Leinbach was absent. Also present were Solicitor Alan Miller, Chief Operating Officer Carl E. Geffken and Chief Clerk Maryjo Gibson.

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

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of May 14, 2015 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:
 - 131.15 Adopt a resolution authorizing 2015 Budget Transfers in the amount of \$45,723.00 and 2015 Appropriations in the amount of \$121,968.00 per listing dated May 20, 2015.
 - 132.15 Adopt a resolution authorizing Human Resources Recommendations per listing dated May 21, 2015 as follows:
 1. Authorize the appointment of Anne Semmel to PC010067 Business Development Specialist – Berks Heim Admissions Department, effective 6/3/2015. Rate of \$58,000/annually. Salary range Minimum \$42,048; Midpoint \$54,064; Maximum \$70,081. Replacement for Deborah Reinbold who separated. This request meets the criteria of the Hiring Policy. Budget 53000 – 33400.
 2. Authorize transfer of Susan Bowers, PC011940 Operations/Budget Administrator – Information Systems to PC012360 Office Manager/System Technician – Assessment Office, effective 6/3/2015. Rate of \$50,000/annually. Salary range Minimum \$43,294; Midpoint \$57,725; Maximum \$72,156. Replacement for Michael Collie who was promoted. This request meets the criteria of the Hiring Policy. Budget 10000 – 11070.

- 133.15 Adopt a resolution authorizing Christian Y. Leinbach, Commissioner Chair, to execute the two (2) AIA A132 Agreements between the County of Berks and K & A Environmental Contractors, Inc., Mohnton, Pennsylvania for removal and disposal of asbestos vermiculite, drywall and joint compound from the (1)Rear of Barn Outside and (2)Barn at Angora Fruit Farm Park, Lower Alsace Township:
- (1) Proposal #14-0009 Rear of Barn Outside – Not to Exceed Cost of \$2,560.00
 - (2) Proposal #14-0010 Barn – Not to Exceed Cost of \$4,950.00
- 134.15 Adopt a resolution authorizing Kevin S. Barnhardt, Vice Chair, to execute a letter to P. Joseph Lehman, Inc., Olde Farm Office Centre, PO Box 419, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648 granting an extension of time of fourteen (14) months for completion of Part I (Rehabilitation Assessment Phase) and twelve (12) months for completion of Part II (Preliminary Engineering Phase) of the Dreibelbis Station Covered Wooden Bridge rehabilitation project until May 19, 2016. This extension is to allow for additional time with which to complete the diligence required to complete the rehabilitation study for the asset, as well as complete Preliminary Engineering based on the options approved therefrom. The existing agreement expired 3/19/2015.
- 135.15 Adopt a resolution authorizing an increase in Berks Heim private pay per diem room rates as follows:
- Private Room - \$360.00/day
 - Semi-Private Room - \$330.00/day
 - Rehab Unit Private Room - \$370.00/day
 - Rehab Semi-Private Room - \$350.00
- All rates are effective July 1, 2015 and represent a \$10.00 rate increase.
- 136.15 Adopt a resolution authorizing appointment of the following members to the Berks County Workforce Development Board:
- Peggy Kershner
Co-Executive Director
Berks Connections/Pretrial Services
For a two (2) year term 7/1/15 to 6/30/17

 - Debra A. Antol
Manager of Human Resources and Safety
Sweet Street Desserts, Inc.
For a three (3) year term 7/1/15 to 6/30/18

Jennie Rodriguez-Priest, J.D., MBA
Director-Human Resources
Grosfillex North America
For a three (3) year term 7/1/15 to 6/30/18

Pablo Tejada
CEO/President
Olivet Boys and Girls Club of Reading and Berks County
For a three (3) year term 7/1/15 to 6/30/18

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 19, 2015.
3. Motion to authorize payments set forth on Controller's Office vouchers payable listing dated May 19, 2015 for week ending May 20, 2015 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 County Controller Sandy Graffius.

REPORTS OF CHIEF OPERATING OFFICE/CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

1. Carl E. Geffken reported that the Berks County Library System has transitioned with the Reading Library to the Polaris System. Mr. Geffken congratulated Election Services and the rovers and technicians on a smooth Election.
2. Robert J. Patrizio reported there will not be a Budget Meeting this afternoon.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Barnhardt thanked Liam Migdail-Smith for a good article today regarding BARTA services. Commissioner Barnhardt commented he has been advocating for bringing back Sunday bus services for about 2 to 3 years and he is hopeful the service will be brought back. Commissioner Barnhardt reported that Lancaster has expanded its Gap Route due to the opening of an Urban Outfitters distribution center. Commissioner Barnhardt reported plans are almost complete for the Park 'N Ride service from the VF Parking location to center City Reading during the rehabilitation of the Buttonwood Street Bridge. Commissioner Barnhardt thanked the poll workers and Election Services staff, stating a lot of effort goes into running an Election, and congratulated the candidates who ran and won, and he would like to see the percentage of people who vote increase.

Commissioner Scott thanked the poll workers for their efforts on a long 13 hour day and congratulated the winners and offered condolences to the losers, adding everyone who participated as a candidate is a winner for running.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:21 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maryjo Gibson, Chief Clerk