

Commissioners' Board Meeting
Thursday, February 24, 2005

The Berks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, February 24, 2005, at 10:45 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 Scott in attendance. Also present were the Chief Clerk Terry L. Styer, Solicitor Alan Miller and County Administrator William E. Dennis.

The Commissioners' Meeting Minutes for the February 15, 2005 Workshop Meeting and the February 17, 2005 Commissioners' meeting were approved as published with a motion made by Commissioner Scott, seconded by Commissioner Gajewski with Commissioner Schwank abstaining as she was not in attendance. The motion carried.

PROCLAMATIONS

Commissioner Schwank presented a Proclamation on behalf of the Board of Commissioners for the Genesis Theatre Grand Re-Opening, to be held on Thursday, February 24th, 2005.

Consent Agenda Items

1. Commissioner Scott made a motion to approve the following consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gajewski and all voted yes to approve:
 - 60.05 A. Resolution approving the Berks County 911 Wireless Plan amendment and authorizing Daphne Dee Miller, Berks County 911 Coordinator, to file an update to such plan and transmit all required information to the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency. The three year 911 plan and amendments were developed in accordance with the Federal Communications Commission.
 - 61.05 B. Resolution appointing Kathleen Weckerle, 1144 Van Reed Road, Leesport, PA 19533 to the Berks County Mental Health/Mental Retardation Advisory Board to fill an unexpired term ending 12/31/05.
 - 62.05 C. Resolution approving the Berks Berks County Workforce Investment Board's recommendation to award a contract to provide business services in partnership with the Pennsylvania CareerLink ~ Berks County to the following service provider: **Educational Data Systems, Inc.**, 15300 Commerce Drive North, Suite 200, Dearborn, Michigan 48120. Program operations are scheduled to begin on April 4, 2005. **The amount of the proposed contract budget is \$282,591.**

- 63.05 D. Resolution approving the On-the-Job Training Contract as per the list dated 2/11/05
- 64.05 E. Resolution authorizing 2004 Budget Transfers in the total amount of \$40,371.00; 2004 Budget Appropriations in the total amount of \$86,467.00; 2005 Budget Transfers in the total amount of \$22,263.00; and 2005 Budget Appropriations in the total amount of \$1,400.00 per list dated February 17, 2005.
- 65.05 F. Resolution authorizing Human Resource recommendations dated February 22, 2005.
1. Recognize appointment of Joseph Langkamer, Judicial Coordinator – Court Administration, effective 3/9/05. Rate of \$27,575/annually (WMS Minimum). Replacement for James Caltagirone who transferred. **Cost Containment has approved a Request to Fill Position form for this position.** Budget 01-201.
 2. Authorize transfer of Jennifer Karpovich, Part-time Tipstaff to Part-time Office Support II – Court Administration, effective 3/2/05. Rate of \$12.37/hr. (incumbent was paid \$15.06/hr.) Replacement for Madelin Porquin who resigned. **Cost Containment has approved a Request to Fill Position form for this position.** Budget 01-160.
 3. Authorize working out of classification for Tiffany Eve, Treatment Counselor working as Work Release Coordinator – Prison, effective 1/24/05 through 6/14/05. Rate of \$38,582/annually (WMS Minimum). Replacement for Justine Bewley. **Cost Containment has approved a Request to Fill Position form for this position.** Budget 01-209.
- 66.05 G. Resolution authorizing of the execution of an Easement for the Union Canal Trail between the Township of Bern and the County of Berks concerning an easement along Palisades Drive, Bern Township.
2. Motion authorizing execution of Contract Agreements/ Amendments as furnished by the Contract Coordinator, per listing dated February 17, 2005.

Reports

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

Public Comment

Tom Howell, Exeter Township requested County involvement in a future application by Pioneer Crossing Landfill for an Air Quality Permit for its landfill gas extraction system when it is filed with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.

Before the meeting adjourned to Election Board Commissioner Scott announced his resignation from the Election board as required while he is a candidate for public office. Solicitor Alan Miller indicated that he contacted the President Judge to begin the process of the courts appointment of a temporary replacement.

The Commissioners meeting adjourned at 10:50 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry L. Styer, Chief Clerk