

Commissioners' Board Meeting Thursday, September 07, 2006

The Berks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, September 7, 2006 at 10:50 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 in attendance. Also present were the Chief Clerk Terry L. Styer, Assistant County Solicitor Christine Sadler, Esq., and County Administrator William E. Dennis. Commissioner Mark C. Scott was not in attendance.

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

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Gajewski made a motion that was seconded by Commissioner Schwank to approve the August 29, 2006 Commissioner workshop minutes and the August 31, 2006 Commissioners meeting minutes, all voted yes to approve.

Consent Agenda Items

1. A motion was made by Commissioner Gajewski, seconded by Commissioner Schwank and all voted unanimously to approve the items listed below:
 - 272.06 A. Resolution authorizing FY 2007 – 2008 Department of Public Welfare integrated Children's Services Plan.
 - 273.06 B. Resolution authorizing 2006 Budget Transfers in the amount of \$252,900.00 per list dated September 1, 2006.
 - 274.06 C. Resolution authorizing Commissioner Schwank, as Chair of the Board, to execute Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Labor and Industry, Grant Recipients Release, Assignment and Closeout forms pursuant to the terms of the Workforce Investment Act Grant 015052101 in the amount of \$31,113.00.
 - 275.06 D. Human Resource Recommendations as list dated September 5, 2006.
 - 276.06 E. Motion to approve use of \$156,000 of Liquid Fuels Funds to repair Skyline Drive wall pending application from City of Reading and Alsace Township.

2. Motion authorizing execution of Contract Agreements/ Amendments as furnished by the Contract Coordinator, per listing dated August 31, 2006.

Reports

1. County Treasurer – Bill Dennis, County Administrator, read report.
2. County Controller – Mark Hanson, Deputy Controller read report.

Commissioners Reports

Commissioner Schwank

Commissioner Schwank noted that she has been asked to add a member of the Fraternal Order of Police and a member of the Latino Community to the Countywide Law Enforcement Study Committee. She will present her suggestions at the Workshop on Tuesday, September 12, 2006, when Commissioner Scott will be in attendance also.

Public Comment

John Salaneck, Supervisor and Road Master of Union Township, spoke to the board to ask for help with getting Penn Dot to make necessary improvements to Geigertown Road, which he indicated had to be closed to traffic due to a collapsed storm sewer pipe. He explained that Penn Dot designated Geigertown Road as the unofficial detour for 19 years, since the closing of Route 82 in 1987. Mr. Salaneck said he had made repeated requests to Mr. Gerald Fry from Penn Dot, and has not received a response. Commissioner Schwank noted that she also received no response to her letter of June 20th and has sent another letter to be read at a meeting today with the Transportation Committee in which Penn Dot should be represented.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:20 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry L. Styer, Chief Clerk