

Commissioners' Board Meeting Thursday, December 21, 2006

The Berks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, December 21, 2006, at 10:30 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 C. Scott in attendance. Also present were the Chief Clerk Terry L. Styer, and County Solicitor Alan Miller, Esq. County Administrator William Dennis 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 Scott made a motion that was seconded by Commissioner Gajewski to approve the December 12, 2006 Commissioner workshop minutes and the December 14, 2006 Commissioners meeting minutes, all voted yes to approve.

Consent Agenda Items

1. A motion was made by Commissioner Gajewski, seconded by Commissioner Scott and all voted unanimously to approve the items listed below noting that the proposed Intern Policy be removed from Resolution #374.06 for additional discussion; and prior to the vote each Commissioner provided a written disclosure letter referencing requirements of the State Ethics Act regarding their involvement on various non-profits boards that receive funding from the county the Chair then called for the vote which was a unanimous approve for the following items:
 - 371.06 A. Resolution authorizing adoption of the 2007 County of Berks Budget and further setting the 2007 millage rate at 6.935.
 - 372.06 B. Resolution authorizing 2006 Budget Transfers in the amount of \$200,913 and 2006 Appropriations in the amount \$854,403 per listing dated December 15, 2006.
 - 373.06 C. Resolution authorizing advertisement of an Ordinance to establish the Penn Avenue TIF District.
 - 374.06 D. Resolution authorizing the execution of the final drafts of seven (7) Human Resource Department Policies.

- 375.06 E. Resolution authorizing the execution of the FY 2006 JABG (Juvenile Accountability Block Grant) Application by and between the County of Berks (Chief Public Defender) and the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD), with respect to funding in the amount of \$29,087 (Federal Funds - \$26,178, Local Matching Funds - \$2,909.) covering the project period 4/1/07 to 3/31/08.
- 376.06 F. Resolution authorizing the execution of the FY 2006 JABG (Juvenile Accountability Block Grant) Application by and between the County of Berks (District Attorney) and the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD), with respect to funding in the amount of \$29,087 (Federal Funds - \$26,178, Local Matching Funds - \$2,909.) covering the project period 4/1/07 to 3/31/08.
- 377.06 G. Resolution appointing Joseph Griffin Oley, PA 19547 as a Planning Commission representative to the Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee filling the term to 12/31/08 for William Baer, who resigned.
- 378.06 H. Resolution authorizing the execution of the Human Services Development Fund (HSDF) Assurance of Compliance and to further authorize Mary Henry-Moss, Human Service Grants Coordinator to create a new categorical cost center to include the Visiting Nurses organization known as Advantage Home Care and to allocate \$28,922 for the fiscal year 2006/2007 to that cost center.
- 379.06 I. Resolution reappointing Joseph Williams to the Berks County Planning Commission Board of Directors for a 3 year term expiring 12/31/2009.
- 380.06 J. Resolution appointing Dennis Essig, Bernville PA to the Ag Land Preservation Board for a three (3) year term to 12/31/09 replacing Sheila Miller whose term expires 12/31/06.
- 381.06 K. Resolution authorizing the execution of an Application for County Aid MS-339 (Liquid Fuels) in an amount not to exceed \$20,090.00 and subject to a \$20,090.00 contribution by the City of Reading to rebuild the historic, retaining wall on Skyline Drive.
- 382.06 L. Resolution authorizing the execution of an Application for County Aid MS-339 (Liquid Fuels) in an amount not to exceed \$5,907.50 in additional funding for the Myer Drive bridge emergency repairs in Bethel Township.

- 383.06 M. Resolution reappointing Mark Braun, Reading, PA to the Berks County Children and Youth Services Advisory Board of Directors for a 3 year term expiring 12/31/2008.
- 384.06 N. Resolution reappointing Sherry Cameron, Mohrsville, PA to the Berks County Children and Youth Services Advisory Board of Directors for a 3 year term expiring 12/31/2009.
- 385.06 O. Resolution reappointing Pamela Hathaway, Reading, PA to the Berks County Children and Youth Services Advisory Board of Directors for a 3 year term expiring 12/31/2009.
- 386.06 P. Resolution reappointing Melissa Kreps, Wyomissing, PA to the Berks County Children and Youth Services Advisory Board of Directors for a 3 year term expiring 12/31/2009.
- 387.06 Q. Resolution reappointing John A. Fielding, Mt. Penn, PA to the Berks County Housing Advisory for a 5 year term expiring 12/31/2011.
- 388.06 R. Resolution reappointing Mark C. Scott to the Berks County Planning Commission for a 4 year term expiring 12/31/2010.
- 389.06 S. Resolution reappointing Pellegrino J. Orlando, Fleetwood, PA to the Berks County Redevelopment Authority for a 5 year term expiring 12/31/2011.
- 390.06 T. Adopt Resolution reappointing Clemson Page, Reading, PA to the Reading Public Library Board for a 5 year term expiring 12/31/2011.
- 391.06 U. Resolution reappointing David S. Sobotka, Kutztown, PA to the Berks County Municipal Authority for a 5 year term expiring 12/31/2011.
- 392.06 V. Resolution reappointing Helen Barsky, Womelsdorf, PA to the Berks County MH/MR Advisory Board for a 3 year term expiring 12/31/2009.
- 393.06 W. Resolution reappointing Edward Chastka, Wyomissing, PA to the Berks County MH/MR Advisory Board for a 3 year term expiring 12/31/2009.
- 394.06 X. Resolution reappointing Arthur E. Grim, Reading, PA to the Berks County MH/MR Advisory Board for a 3 year term expiring 12/31/2009.

- 395.06 Y. Resolution reappointing Robert Moore, Reading, PA to the Berks County Parks and Recreation Board for a 4 year term expiring 3/10/2007.
- 396.06 Z. Resolution reappointing Robert Showalter, Sinking Spring, PA to the Berks County Parks and Recreation Board for a 4 year term expiring 3/10/2007.
- 2. Motion authorizing execution of Contract Agreements/ Amendments as furnished by the Contract Coordinator, per listing dated December 15, 2006.

Reports

- 1. County Treasurer – Nelson Long, CPA, read report.
- 2. County Controller – Mark Hanson, Chief Deputy Controller, read report.

Public Comment

Lloyd Hopkins along with representatives from the Berks Community Foundation thanked the Commissioners for the support of the new Agriculture Coordinator position for Berks County. Kevin Murphy, President of the Community Foundation then announced that the Foundation would provide \$21,500 as a grant to the County in support of this position.

Commissioner Gajewski read his Holiday message.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:58 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry L. Styer, Chief Clerk