

Commissioners' Workshop Meeting Tuesday, July 17, 2007

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The Berks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, July 17, 2007, at 10:30 A.M. in the thirteenth floor Board Room of the Berks County Services Center, pursuant to due notice to Board members and the public.

Commissioner Thomas W. Gajewski, Sr. called the meeting to order with Commissioner Mark C. Scott in attendance. Also present were County Administrator, William E. Dennis, Solicitor Alan Miller Esq., and Chief Clerk Terry Styer. Commissioner Chair Judith Schwank was attending a NACo (National Association of Counties) conference.

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

II. PRESENTATION

District Attorney Mark Baldwin presented the PA SAVIN Project (State-wide Automated Victim Notification.) Following the presentation, D.A. Baldwin requested approval for the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Berks and the Pennsylvania District Attorney's Institute agreeing to implement this project in Berks County. D. A. Baldwin noted that there is no cost in staffing or equipment to the county and that all other costs will be covered by grants.

III. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS / REQUESTS:

Administrator:

- A. Bill Dennis presented his weekly report, attached.

Budget Department:

- A. Motion authorizing Judith L. Schwank, as Chairman of the Board, to execute Contract Agreements/ Amendments as furnished by the Contract Coordinator, per attached listing dated July 16, 2007. Candy Noll, Contract Coordinator presented the list of contracts.

Human Resource Director:

- A. Human Resource Recommendations per list dated July 17, 2007.

Prison

- A. Adopt Resolution authorizing a continuation of contract between Berks County Prison and the Council on Chemical Abuse. This continuation is for the period of July 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007. The contract funding allocation for this period is \$153,578.

IV. REPORTS OF COMMISSIONERS:

- A. Adopt Resolution authorizing the 2007 – 2008 Nursing Home Intergovernmental Transfer Program pursuant to the Commonwealth Agreement and Cooperation Agreement; and further granting authorization for any and all lawful actions necessary to effectuate Berks County's participation in said Program.

- 204.07 E. Resolution to approve new supervisor schedule in the Coroner's office based on recommendations from the Human Resources department. (held from July 12, 2007)

Commissioner Schwank

Commissioner Gajewski

- A. Commissioner Gajewski noted that more municipalities are joining the Crime Alert initiative to stop illegal trash dumping. A full report will be given at the August 7th Commissioner's Workshop.
- B. Commissioner Gajewski reported an all time high asset value for the County's pension fund at \$245 million. He credited good market conditions and the County's new pension manager, Schneider.....He then noted that while the county still has an unfunded pension liability, the gap is closing.

Commissioner Scott

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:15 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry L Styer, Chief Clerk