

## **Commissioners' Workshop Meeting Tuesday, June 9, 2009**

### **I. CALL TO ORDER:**

The Berks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, June 9, 2009, 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 Kevin Barnhardt called the meeting to order with Commissioner Christian Leinbach, in attendance. Also present were Solicitor Alan Miller Esq., and Chief Clerk Terry Styer. Commissioner Chair Mark C. Scott, Esq. did not attend the meeting.

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

### **II. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS / REQUESTS:**

#### **Budget Department**

- A. Motion authorizing Mark C. Scott as Chairman of the Board, to execute Contract Agreements/ Amendments as furnished by the Contract Coordinator, per attached listing dated June 5, 2009.

#### **Community Development:**

- A. Motion to approve payments set forth on disbursement voucher list # 2356 dated June 8, 2009, for the Community Development Block Grant Program, DV #1363 for the Property Rehabilitation Program and DV #617 for the HOME Grant Program as administered by the Berks County Community Development Office.

#### **Facilities:**

- A. Resolution authorizing payment to David M. Kleckner Architects, PC, for architectural services provided to the County of Berks for the Berks County Prison in the amount of \$11,436.19. Jack Mohan, Project Manager, requested payment be made for these services they performed for the prison renovation project.

#### **Human Resources**

- A. Human Resource recommendations per list dated June 9, 2009 and presented by Craig Stott Assistant Director Human Resources.

***III. REPORTS OF COMMISSIONERS***

A request from the Berks Municipal Partnership and The Center for Community Leadership to the County Commissioners asking that the county forward (and possibly seek funding) for an update to the Berks County Sewer and Water Systems Regionalization Study. Shannon Rossman of the Planning Commission attended the meeting explaining that the contents of the study may still be valid with little update needed. The Commissioners agreed that this could be a good vehicle to bring communities together in the hopes of implementing some regional sewer and water system projects. Commissioner Barnhardt suggested that these projects may ultimately be good candidates for Community Development Funding. Commissioner Leinbach stated that the good news about municipalities considering regionalization of services is that it serves to reduce what he described as the biggest hidden cost of doing business in Pennsylvania.

***IV. PUBLIC COMMENT:***

Recorder of Deeds Fred Sheeler reported on a new money saving initiative implemented in his office involving the electronic system for recording and payment of the transfer tax.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:50 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Terry L. Styer, Chief Clerk