

**Commissioners' Workshop Meeting  
Tuesday, August 3, 2010**

**I. CALL TO ORDER:**

The Berks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, August 3, 2010 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 Vice-Chair Kevin Barnhardt called the meeting to order with Commissioner Christian Leinbach in attendance. Commissioner Chair Mark C. Scott, Esq. was not in attendance. Also present were Solicitor Alan Miller Esq., Chief Operations Officer Carl W. Staples, and Chief Clerk Terry Styer.

Commissioner Barnhardt opened the meeting with a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. He then announced that an executive session was held yesterday August 2, 2010 for the purpose of personnel matters.

**II. PRESENTATION**

Diane Price Commander of the Women Veterans of Berks County and Chairwoman of the Berks County Armed Forces Advisory Committee presented Certificates of Appreciation to the Board of Commissioners on behalf of the Armed Forces Advisory Committee for the Commissioners continuing support of the annual Berks County Armed Forces Day parade. Diane noted that this year marked the 62<sup>nd</sup> year of this annual event.

The Board of Commissioners recognized and congratulated Dave Pritchard who is retiring from the Berks County Planning Commission after 43 years of dedicated service.

**III. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS / REQUESTS:**

**Budget Department**

- A. Adopt a resolution authorizing 2010 Budget Transfers in the amount of \$18,500,578 and 2010 Appropriations in the amount \$1,000,000 per listing dated August 5, 2010 as presented by Kim Grinage, Deputy Director of Budget and Finance.

**District Attorney's Office**

- A. Resolution approving the execution of a Grant Agreement commencing 1/1/2011 to 12/31/12 for Victim/Witness Assistance funds in the amount of \$420,454 between the County of Berks and the PCCD (Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency.)

**Department of Emergency Services**

- A. Adopt a resolution authorizing the execution of a grant agreement between the County of Berks Department of Emergency Services at the PA Emergency Management Agency (PEMA) for funding under the Hazardous Material Emergency Planning and Response Act (Act 165) in the amount of \$33,470.00 representing expenditures during the period from July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011.

**Human Resources**

- A. Human Resource Recommendations per list dated August 3, 2010.

**Human Services**

- A. Adopt a resolution authorizing the execution and submission of the Human Services Development Certification Statement for fiscal year 2009-2010.

**Purchasing**

- A. Motion authorizing Mark C. Scott as Chairman of the Board, to execute Contract Agreements/ Amendments as furnished by the Contract Coordinator, per listing dated August 2, 2010.

**IV. REPORTS OF COMMISSIONERS**

Commissioner Leinbach reported on his involvement with the Berks County Extreme Makeover Home Edition project which has begun at the Trisha Urban home on 1363 Hex Highway only a short distance from the Commissioner's home. Both Commissioners Leinbach and Barnhardt expressed their hopes that the community can continue this collaborative effort and move it onto other similar projects helping those in our community who are most in need.

The Commissioners then expressed their appreciation to Carl Staples, following his announcement of resignation of the position of Berks County Chief Operations Officer. The Commissioners said that while they were sorry to see him go his efforts to set a very positive and professional direction will continue. They thanked Carl for bringing together a very good executive team and helping them focus on a mission.

COO Staples then thanked the board and all of the employees of the county and expressed his satisfaction and appreciation for being part of the progress.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:00 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Terry L Styer, Chief Clerk