

## **Commissioners' Board Meeting Minutes February 2, 2012**

The Berks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, February 2, 2012, at 10:30 A.M. in the Boardroom on the 13th floor of the Berks County Services Center, pursuant to due notice to Board members and the public.

Commissioner Chair Christian Y. Leinbach, called the meeting to order with Commissioner Kevin S. Barnhardt in attendance. Commissioner Mark C. Scott was out of town and did not attend the meeting. Also present were Solicitor Alan Miller and Chief Clerk Maryjo Gibson.

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

### **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the January 24, 2012 Commissioners' Workshop and January 26, 2012 Commissioners' meetings were approved as presented.

### **Consent Agenda Items**

1. A motion was made by Commissioner Barnhardt, seconded by Commissioner Leinbach and all voted unanimously to approve the items listed below:
  - 42.12 A. Adopt a resolution authorizing 2011 Budget Transfers in the amount of \$339,720.00, 2011 Budget Appropriations in the amount of \$20,065.00, 2012 Budget Transfers in the amount of \$251,612.00 and 2012 Appropriations in the amount \$3,600.00 per listing dated January 27, 2012.
  - 43.12 B. Adopt a resolution authorizing Human Resources Recommendations per listing dated January 31, 2012 as follows:
    1. Authorize the appointment of Christopher R. Stress to PC012685 Deputy Director of Operations – Parks, effective 2/15/2012. Rate of \$58,500/annually. Salary range Minimum \$43,885; Midpoint \$58,513; Maximum \$73,141. New position created by Salary Board on 9/20/2011. This request was reviewed and has met the criteria of the Hiring Policy. Budget 10000 – 16070.
  - 44.12 C. Adopt a resolution authorizing Christian Y. Leinbach, Commissioner Chair, to execute an Agreement between the Township of Bern and the County of Berks for the establishment of permanently marked traffic detour routes on roadways owned and maintained by the County in cases where PA State Route 183 is closed due to fire, traffic accident or other emergency.

- 45.12 D. Adopt a resolution authorizing Christian Y. Leinbach, Commissioner Chair, to execute a Policy and Procedures for Consultant Selection Agreement to the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT), established by PennDOT, the Federal Highway Administration and the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as it pertains to the reconstruction and rehabilitation of County-owned bridges. This Policy and resolution reaffirms compliance with the standards set forth in PennDOT Publication 93 as amended in 2011.
- 46.12 E. Adopt a resolution authorizing execution by Christian Y. Leinbach, Commissioner Chair, of TEFAP Inventory – Reimbursement Request Form for the period (October, November, December) 1st Quarter FFY 2011/2012 Report in the amount of \$18,087.00 for distributing 150,725 pounds of food at \$.12 per pound, and further authorizes Margaret Bianca, Executive Director, Greater Berks Food Bank, to apply for the funds on behalf of Berks County.
- 47.12 F. Adopt a resolution authorizing the reappointment of Gloria Seifrit, Reading, Pennsylvania, to the Berks County Council on Chemical Abuse Advisory Board for a three (3) year term which will expire February 1, 2015.
- 48.12 G. Adopt a resolution authorizing the reappointment of Dr. Joan M. Lewis, Sinking Spring, Pennsylvania, to the Berks County Council on Chemical Abuse Advisory Board for a three (3) year term which will expire February 1, 2015.
2. Motion authorizing Christian Y. Leinbach as Chairman of the Board, to execute Contract Agreements/ Amendments as furnished by the Contract Coordinator, per listing dated January 30, 2012.
3. Motion to authorize payments set forth on Controller's Office vouchers listing dated January 31, 2012 for the week ending February 1, 2012.

### **Reports**

1. County Treasurer Nelson Long, CPA submitted a prepared weekly Treasurer's report.
2. The Controller's weekly report was presented by Deputy County Controller Ron Rutkowski.

### **Citizen Comment**

The Pagoda Pacers attended the meeting to comment on running events held at Antietam Lake Park, particularly the Mt. Penn Mudfest. Club President Polly Corvaia addressed the Board and requested the Board reverse their decision to not allow the Club to hold the Mt. Penn Mudfest through a portion of Antietam Lake Park. Ms. Corvaia offered many reasons backing up her argument as a basis for allowing this event. Ms. Corvaia volunteered the services of the Pagoda Pacers to inspect the trails of the Park and to clean up trash after the race. Commissioner Leinbach commented that when the County purchased the Park it was decided Antietam Lake Park would be made a passive park rather than an active park. Commissioner Barnhardt commented that since Lower Alsace contributed \$1 million dollars towards the purchase of the park, the County must be considerate of the relationship with Lower Alsace Township. The Commissioners extended an offer to the Pagoda Pacers to work with the Parks Department in identifying areas of the Park where new trails could be cut in order to avoid damage to the more sensitive areas. Ms. Corvaia agreed on behalf of the Club to work with the Parks Department. Also offering their support of maintaining the run in the Park were Club members Stephan Weis, Jeffrey Hills, Michael Yoder and Mike Gallen.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Maryjo Gibson, Chief Clerk